

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF LACKAWANNA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
June 10, 2025

The Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lackawanna met on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at 5:15 p.m. in the Agency's Office, 2019 W. Pine Street, Dunmore, PA 18512.

Following the Pledge to the Flag, the meeting was called to order by Paul J. Walker, Chairman, who presided over this portion of the meeting after the roll call. The following members were present.

Mr. Paul J. Walker
Mr. Al Dorunda
Mr. Mark Wallis
Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Nealon
Mr. Thomas Barrett

Also present were:

Mr. Patrick Padula, Executive Director
Mr. Johnnie Jackson, Deputy Executive Director
Atty. Rocco V. Valvano, Solicitor
Ms. Nancy Ikeler, Administrative Assistant
Mr. John Prislupski
Mrs. Nicholina Clark

Absent:

Approval of Minutes:

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mrs. Nealon and seconded by Mr. Wallis.

All Board Members voted in favor.

Approval of Vouchers:

A motion to approve the vouchers was made by Mr. Wallis and seconded by Mr. Barrett.

All Board Members voted in favor.

Public Comment Period:

None

Treasurer's Report:

A motion was made by Mr. Dorunda and seconded by Mr. Barrett to approve the Treasurer's Report as distributed.

All Board Members voted in favor.

RESOLUTION 4516

Review and approve the Public Housing Agency Budget for Fiscal Year 7/1/25 to 6/30/26.

Following the reading of the resolution by Chairman Walker, a motion was made by Mr. Wallis and seconded by Mr. Wallis.

On the question, Executive Director Padula stated as you know each year at this time, we send the budget to HUD. Mr. Prislupski went over the sheet that was passed and answered questions the Director's had.

All Board Members voted in favor.

RESOLUTION 4517

Resolved to authorize the write-off collection loss balance for vacated residents.

Following the reading of the resolution by Chairman Walker, a motion was made by Mr. Wallis and seconded by Mr. Dorunda.

On the question, the Executive Director stated in your packet you will find correspondence from the Agency staff members requesting authorization to write-off balances left by former residents upon vacating. All of these accounts have not had any activity for a period of two months. With Board approval, the appropriate staff will take necessary measures to write-off these account balances.

All Board Members voted in favor.

Old Business:

We are attempting to contact the owner of the Terrace Drive property in Peckville area. Mr. D'Arienzo will be giving Mr. Padula a follow up on the progress tomorrow.

RESOLUTION 4518

Resolved to authorize the Executive Directive to advertise for development services to build tax credit property in the Jessup and Grier St. Developments.

Following the reading of the resolution by Chairman Walker, a motion was made by Mr. Wallis and seconded by Mr. Dorunda

All Board Members voted in favor.

New Business:

None

Report of the Executive Director:

Public Housing Program leasing & turnover of units was discussed.

We received an 89 in the REAC in the last inspection, which is respectable for AMP 33. This will be done again in two years. HUD contracts a company to do the inspections.

Section 8 is down a little bit due to tenants passing away or taking their voucher to another state.

Capital Funds have been used for smaller projects- tree removal and sidewalks. The bigger projects will be advertised to bid out.

We continue to maintain the Jessup property.

This concludes the Report of the Executive Director.

A motion was made by Mr. Dorunda and seconded by Mr. Wallis,

Adjourn

A motion was made by Mr. Wallis and seconded by Mr. Dorunda.

All Board Members present voted in favor.

Mark Wallis

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Secretary