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**SUFFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

The Housing Authority of the Town of Suffield held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, January 14th, 2025, at 6:30 P.M. at Maple Court 81 Bridge Street: the date and time duly established.

Mr. Messenger called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

The following members were present:

Mr. Mark Messenger, Chairman  
Mrs. Jacqueline Marien, Secretary  
Mrs. Kathy Remington, Treasurer  
Mrs. Jacqueline Nielson, Tenant Representative  
Absent was Jon Carson, Vice Chairman

Also present were: Jason Joyce, Executive Director, Robert Hinckley, Ann Cavanaugh, Doug Nielson, Nancy Lisenko.

**REPORT FROM THE TENANT REPRESENTATIVE:** Jac visited most of the tenants during the last month. personally, or through email or text since the last meeting. They were very happy with the Christmas dinner and send their thanks to the board. Several tenants are concerned about a possible decrease in Social Security benefits, due to the incoming political administration.

Another tenant mentioned that large identifying letters on the buildings would help emergency personnel and delivery people orient themselves. All are happy with the grant work and understand it is on hold for the winter months.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Ann – Said everything is going well & happy to live here.

Robbie commented Jason, Deb and Patrick are doing a Great Job at SHA. Robbie said he continues to Police the property. Happy with the work being done.

Doug said he is Thankful that the Pile of wood & trash outside his unit was cleaned up and removed. Doug also said he wanted Big Letters on the Building so Delivery drivers can find the right Units.

**MINUTES:**

Mr. Messenger moved, Mrs. Remington seconded and so Voted: to accept the minutes of the October 8th meeting.

VOTE: 4-0

BILLS:

Mrs. Nielson moved, Mrs. Marien seconded and so Voted: to approve the bills presented which represent the expenses and expenditures of the Housing Authority for the billing period of November 2024.

VOTE: 4-0

OLD BUSINESS:

CDBG: Jason talked about how the Grant is now on hold till Spring.

NEW BUSINESS:

REPORT of the CHAIRMAN: Jason is looking into other Insurances due to a large jump in our current provider.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: 18 New Benches arrived to be placed around the property this Spring. We have 150 Plant Barrels ready for the stone to be finished & then placed. At this time we have no Vacancy.

MAINTENANCE: Everything is going well.

SHA STAFF Comments or Concerns: Jason had said things are going well & Jac, Patrick and I are working Great as a Team! For those tenants concerned that S.S. payments may be decreased with the new President of the United States taking office. The 30% is the standard that will stay in place. There is about 17 Residents at Base and about another 6 people within \$50 of Base, Suffield Community Aid is a resource we can also ask for help.

Jason Joyce said he will take the large letters suggestion under consideration & talk to the Maintenance Director.

Executive Session: was entered into at 7:03pm to discuss Employee Evaluation finished at 7:33pm

ADJOURNMENT:

Since there wasn't any further business to bring before the Board, Mrs. Nielson moved and Mrs. Marien seconded and so Voted: to adjourn this meeting at 7:35 PM.

VOTE: 4-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Jackie Marien, Secretary  
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