### LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOARD

Regular Meeting Thursday, October 24, 2019

Present: Peter Ferrone, Vice Chairperson

Susan McCloskey Mary McKillip Craig Schultz

Absent: Murali Mallampati

Keva Stewart Joyce Scott

Excused Absence: Kevin VanHise, Chairperson

Jean Washington

Christopher Bobbitt, Council Liaison

Also Present: Jennifer Carabelli, Liaison

Susan Snook, Recording Secretary

Chairperson VanHise was not at meeting; so, Vice Chairperson Ferrone opened meeting.

### **Statement of Adequate Notice:**

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.R.S. 10:4-10, specifying the date, time and place of the meeting.

#### Minutes:

The July 25, 2019 minutes were approved per unanimous vote.

Public Comment: None

# **Update Status of Changes at State Level:**

Since Chairperson VanHise was not present at the meeting; there was no discussion.

## **Approval of 2020 Meeting Schedule:**

The 2020 Meeting Schedule was approved per unanimous vote.

## **Housing Rehabilitation Program:**

Ms. Carabelli reported:

- 710 Eagles Chase Drive: signed a contract with Windsor Guild in the amount of \$19,300, no start date.
- 1 Roxboro Road: signed a contract with Silviu Nedelcu Painting in the amount of \$21,775.00, no start date.
- E-17 Carver Place: signed a contract with Silviu Nedelcu Painting in the amount of \$24,900.00, no start date.

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#### Other Business:

Ms. Carabelli stated there are still two Affordable Housing units for sale:

- 2 Alburtus Court: has a potential buyer
- 232 Federal Point Boulevard: is still in the possession of the Township

Vice Chairperson Ferrone presented to the committee members:

- We do not have a lot of business and the thought was to have a meeting every 3-months or on a need basis. So, if something were to come up in the interim we would then call a meeting. An ordinance has to be prepared and adopted by Council. The reason being because there is nothing to discuss, there are not that many housing rehabilitations and we do not do the affordable housing in-house.
- Since Chairperson VanHise was not at the meeting he wanted to see how the Board members felt about cancelling the December meeting because it is the day after Christmas. A motion was made by Susan McCloskey and seconded by Mary McKillip and it was a unanimous vote.

### Carriage Park:

Diane Glory, Realtor reported they had their open house on October 16, 2019 and quite a few people showed up. A lottery was held on October 21, 2019 at the Lawrence Road Fire House. Each person was presented with a number and the person who had their number pulled will have to get a background check and a credit check to see if they are eligible.

The monthly rents are as follows: low low will be \$479.00; low will be \$865.00 and moderate will be \$1,059.00, which includes water. Carriage Park does accept Section 8 vouchers which will not exceed 30% of their income (example: \$10,000 income, they will pay no more than 30% which will be \$300.00; so HUD pays \$150.00 and the renter will pay \$150.00). Veterans or a person who is married to a veteran goes to the top of the list.

## **Adjournment:**

Susan J. Snook Recording Secretary

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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.
Digital audio file of this meeting is available upon request.
Respectfully submitted,

Minutes approved:		