

1 THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
2 OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD
3 BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

4 Thursday, January 29, 2015
5 Commencing at 6:15 p.m.

6 COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

7 EDWARD J. DABAL, CHAIRMAN

8 NOEL QUILES

9 EDWARD PUZIO

10 ROSEMARIE RIBAUDO

11 LEANE SURMA

12 JUDITH SUSINO

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14 ALSO PRESENT:

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16 MARTIN P. GEISLER, ESQ.
17 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

18 COLLEEN DAY
19 ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

20 MICHAEL P. DE MARCO, ESQ.
21 HOUSING AUTHORITY ATTORNEY

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1 Notice of the time, date and place of this
2 meeting has been provided at least 48 hours in advance
3 by publication in The Record and by posting a notice of
4 this meeting on the community bulletin board at the
5 Garfield Housing Authority and Garfield City Hall.

6 MR. GEISLER: Flag salute.

7 (All rise for the recitation of the Pledge of
8 Allegiance.)

9 MR. PUZIO: Present. Here.

10 MS. RIBAUDO: Here.

11 MS. SUSINO: Here.

12 MR. QUILES: Here.

13 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Here.

14 MS. SURMA: Here.

15 MR. GEISLER: Approval of the minutes of the
16 transcript and caucus of the regular meeting held on
17 December 15, 2014. Do I have a motion?

18 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Make the motion.

19 MS. RIBAUDO: Second.

20 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

21 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

22 MS. SUSINO: Yes.

23 MR. QUILES: Yes.

24 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Yes.

25 MS. SURMA: Yes.

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1 MR. GEISLER: Bills presented for payment in
2 the total amount of \$304,662.22. Do we have a motion?

3 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Make the motion.

4 MS. RIBAUDO: I'll second.

5 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

6 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

7 MS. SUSINO: Yes.

8 MR. QUILES: Abstain.

9 CHAIRMAN DABAL: I abstain on check number
10 15568, 1056, 1059 and 1012. Yes on the rest.

11 MS. SURMA: I abstain on 15576. Yes on the
12 rest.

13 MR. GEISLER: 2015 Housing Authority Budget
14 Resolution. 2015-02.

15 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

16 MR. QUILES: Yes.

17 MS. SUSINO: Yes.

18 MS. SURMA: Yes.

19 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

20 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Yes.

21 MR. GEISLER: Resolution 2015-04. Salary
22 increase for Lori Wrobel. Anyone want to make a
23 motion?

24 MS. SURMA: Make the motion.

25 MS. RIBAUDO: I'll second.

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1 MR. GEISLER: As recommended by the personnel
2 committee.

3 Anybody else want to make a motion?

4 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

5 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

6 MS. SUSINO: Yes.

7 MR. QUILES: Yes.

8 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Yes.

9 MS. SURMA: Yes.

10 MR. PUZIO: Marty, I'd like to sign those --

11 MR. GEISLER: Sure.

12 Okay. Resolution 2015-05. Salary increase
13 for Glenn Stewart. Do we have a motion?

14 MS. SUSINO: I'll make the motion.

15 MS. RIBAUDO: I'll second the motion.

16 MR. GEISLER: Recommended by the personnel
17 committee.

18 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

19 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

20 MS. SUSINO: Yes.

21 MR. QUILES: Yes.

22 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Yes.

23 MS. SURMA: Yes.

24 MR. GEISLER: As to Margaret, anyone want to
25 make a motion?

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1 MS. SURMA: I will. With great pleasure.

2 MS. RIBAUDO: I'll second.

3 MR. GEISLER: As recommended by the personnel
4 committee.

5 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

6 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

7 MS. SUSINO: Yes.

8 MR. QUILES: Yes.

9 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Yes.

10 MS. SURMA: Yes.

11 MR. GEISLER: I think you guys did a very
12 nice deed and it was a well-deserving deed. That I do
13 believe. And, listen to me, we get a couple more bucks
14 in the spring, we have one other girl that we have to
15 take care of that's upstairs that hasn't had an
16 increase in years. And that totally slips my mind from
17 time to time. We'll make a recommendation.

18 Other than that, do we have any commissioner
19 comments?

20 MS. SURMA: No. I was going to, but you just
21 said it. No, I'm very happy to --

22 MR. GEISLER: I know. It was very nice.

23 MS. SURMA: I feel when you work hard and
24 you're entitled --

25 MR. GEISLER: We said we were going to do

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1 that from the beginning.

2 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes, we did.

3 MS. SURMA: They're entitled to an increase,
4 and if they're working hard and getting more
5 information that they will help out the housing
6 authority in the long run, they should be compensated.

7 CHAIRMAN DABAL: I think it was on our mind
8 for quite sometime.

9 MS. SURMA: When you see the salary
10 difference in some of the people that are working in
11 the office, it's like, are you kidding? You know, it's
12 such a large difference in some of these people that
13 are there. The people that are really starting to
14 learn and get more -- you know, do more, they should be
15 compensated.

16 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Not only do they earn it, it
17 motivates too.

18 MS. SURMA: Of course. If you do a good job,
19 you'll be rewarded.

20 MR. GEISLER: Any public comment?

21 MS. MARGARET FIORE: I just want to say thank
22 you very much. I appreciate it. All my family will
23 appreciate it also. So thank you.

24 MS. RIBAUDO: You're welcome. You deserve
25 it.

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1 MR. GEISLER: Do we have a motion to adjourn?

2 MR. PUZIO: I'll make it.

3 MS. RIBAUDO: I'll second it.

4 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

5 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

6 MS. SUSINO: Yes.

7 MR. QUILES: Yes.

8 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Yes.

9 MS. SURMA: Yes.

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