

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

4 Monday, April 20, 2015
5 Commencing at 6:15 p.m.

6 COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

7 EDWARD J. DABAL, CHAIRMAN

8 MARIE BARCKETT

9 EDWARD PUZIO

10 ROSEMARIE RIBAUDO

11 LEANE SURMA

12
13 ALSO PRESENT:

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15 MARTIN P. GEISLER, ESQ.
16 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

17 COLLEEN DAY
18 ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

19 MICHAEL P. DE MARCO, ESQ.
20 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: Roll call for the regular
7 meeting held on April 20, 2015.

8 MR. PUZIO: Present.

9 MS. RIBAUDO: Here.

10 MS. BARCKETT: Here.

11 MS. SURMA: Here.

12 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Here.

13 (All rise for the recitation of the Pledge of
14 Allegiance.)

15 MR. GEISLER: Approval of the minutes of the
16 transcript of the caucus and regular meeting held on
17 March 16, 2015. Do I have a motion?

18 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Make the motion.

19 MS. SURMA: I'll second.

20 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

21 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

22 MS. BARCKETT: Yes.

23 MS. SURMA: Yes.

24 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Yes.

25 MR. PUZIO: Is this approval of the minutes?

1 MR. GEISLER: Yes.

2 MR. PUZIO: I'd like to say something. I was
3 absent at the last meeting, but I reviewed the minutes,
4 and I vote yes.

5 MR. DE MARCO: Because there wasn't a tape,
6 Mr. Puzio, I would suggest that you abstain, because
7 you would have no way to verify that the minutes
8 accurately reflect what was said. It's up to you. My
9 suggestion to you is you abstain if you weren't at the
10 meeting.

11 MR. PUZIO: Because I recall this happened to
12 me once before, not by me but also other board members,
13 where as long as they reviewed the minutes, they had
14 the privilege of voting for it one way or another.

15 MR. DE MARCO: Right. What the law is is
16 that you could -- if there's an audiotape you could
17 review the audiotape and then verify that the minutes
18 accurately reflect what was on the audio, but because
19 there wasn't an audio, you would have no way of
20 verifying it. So I suggest you abstain.

21 MR. PUZIO: All right. Then I abstain.

22 MR. GEISLER: Bills presented for payment
23 April 20, 2015. For a total amount of \$133,492.73. Is
24 there a motion?

25 MS. BARCKETT: I'll make it.

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1 MS. SURMA: I'll second.

2 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

3 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

4 MS. BARCKETT: Yes.

5 MS. SURMA: Yes.

6 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Dabal abstains on check
7 number 15759. Yes on the rest.

8 MR. GEISLER: New business. Resolution
9 number 2015-15. Flooring contract. Awarded to J&L
10 Floor Contractors. Do we have a motion?

11 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Make the motion.

12 MS. SURMA: I second.

13 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

14 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

15 MS. BARCKETT: Yes.

16 MS. SURMA: Yes.

17 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Yes.

18 MR. GEISLER: Plumbing maintenance contract.
19 Awarded to Genti Plumbing. Do I have a motion?

20 MS. SURMA: So moved.

21 MS. BARCKETT: I second.

22 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

23 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

24 MS. BARCKETT: Yes.

25 MS. SURMA: Yes.

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1 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Yes.

2 MR. GEISLER: Carpentry maintenance contract.

3 Awarded to Allen Construction. Do I have a motion?

4 MS. SURMA: I'll make it.

5 MS. RIBAUDO: I'll second.

6 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

7 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

8 MS. BARCKETT: Yes.

9 MS. SURMA: Yes.

10 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Abstain.

11 MR. GEISLER: Do we have any commissioner
12 comments?

13 MS. RIBAUDO: I'll make one. As you can all
14 see, our guys have been working out there. The grounds
15 look beautiful, beautiful, beautiful, beautiful. And I
16 had a person from the outside that had to come to my
17 home on business, and they were really taken how
18 beautiful the grounds looked here. And I gave you the
19 credit and the guys the credit.

20 MR. GEISLER: The guys get the credit.

21 MS. RIBAUDO: You too. You make sure
22 everything is always done around here. It looks
23 beautiful out there. Thank you guys both. Morning to
24 night they're here working.

25 MR. GEISLER: Motion to adjourn?

1 MR. DE MARCO: What about the public?

2 MR. GEISLER: Anybody have any public
3 comment?

4 MS. SURMA: Does anybody from the public have
5 anything to say?

6 MS. LEHNING: I had a wonderful time for the
7 Easter hunt. Right? Didn't you have a good time?

8 MR. GEISLER: Motion to adjourn.

9 MS. RIBAUDO: I make it.

10 MS. SURMA: Second.

11 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

12 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

13 MS. BARCKETT: Yes.

14 MS. SURMA: Yes.

15 CHAIRMAN DABAL: Yes.

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