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THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Monday, April 17, 2017
Commencing at 6:15 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

- NOEL QUILES, CHAIRMAN
- MARIE BARCKETT
- RICHARD GIACOMARRO
- EDWARD PUZIO
- ROSEMARIE RIBAUDO
- JUDITH SUSINO

ALSO PRESENT:

- MARTIN P. GEISLER, ESQ.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
- COLLEEN DAY
ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
- MICHAEL P. DE MARCO, ESQ.
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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 17, 2017.

8 MR. DABAL: Absent.

9 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

10 MS. SUSINO: Yes.

11 MR. GIACOMARRO: Yes.

12 MS. BARCKETT: Yes.

13 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

14 CHAIRMAN QUILES: Here.

15 MR. GEISLER: Let's do the flag salute,
16 please.

17 (All rise for the recitation of the Pledge of
18 Allegiance.)

19 MR. GEISLER: Approval of the minutes of the
20 transcript of the regular meeting held on April 17th,
21 2017. Do we have a motion?

22 MR. GIACOMARRO: Yes.

23 MS. SUSINO: I'll second it.

24 MR. GEISLER: Who seconded?

25 MS. RIBAUDO: Judy.

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1 Yes.

2 MS. SUSINO: Yes.

3 MR. GIACOMARRO: Yes.

4 MS. BARCKETT: Yes.

5 MR. PUZIO: What is this for?

6 MS. BARCKETT: Excuse me. I wasn't here.

7 MR. PUZIO: I have to abstain. I wasn't
8 here.

9 CHAIRMAN QUILES: Yes.

10 MR. GEISLER: Bills for payment presented
11 April 17, 2017, for a total amount of \$213,351.80.

12 Do we have a motion?

13 MS. RIBAUDO: I'll make a motion.

14 MR. PUZIO: I'll second it.

15 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

16 MS. SUSINO: Yes.

17 MR. GIACOMARRO: Yes.

18 MS. BARCKETT: Yes.

19 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

20 CHAIRMAN QUILES: Yes.

21 MR. GEISLER: New business.

22 "The Garfield Housing Authority presently has
23 on its books outstanding moneys owed by former tenants
24 in the total amount of \$48,732.49."

25 We're going to write that off. Somebody make

1 a motion?

2 MR. GIACOMARRO: Yes.

3 MS. BARCKETT: I'll second.

4 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

5 MS. SUSINO: Yes.

6 MR. GIACOMARRO: Yes.

7 MS. BARCKETT: Yes.

8 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

9 CHAIRMAN QUILES: Yes.

10 MR. GEISLER: Do we have any public comment?

11 MS. LEHNING: Only that was a very pleasant
12 children's Easter. That was really nice.

13 MR. GEISLER: Yes, that was nice.

14 Any commissioner comment?

15 MR. GIACOMARRO: I have a question. On this
16 waiting list, how long do we keep people on it?

17 MR. GEISLER: We keep them on all the time.
18 When they ask -- the only time they get taken off is if
19 they don't call us.

20 MR. GIACOMARRO: There's one here 14 years.

21 MR. GEISLER: They might have been offered
22 things.

23 MR. GIACOMARRO: The refusals, all zero.
24 Does that mean they've never refused, never been asked?

25 MR. GEISLER: I don't know. Could be. Let

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1 me see. Normally that's what it is.

2 Listen to me, there's a lot of times we call
3 up -- I'll give you a for instance. I had a friend --
4 Mr. Puzio had a guy interested. Somebody called. I
5 gave him five different things, right? No --

6 MR. PUZIO: Forget about him.

7 MR. GEISLER: So he could be here for a
8 hundred years. You know what I mean?

9 MR. GIACOMARRO: That's crazy.

10 MR. PUZIO: If it's who I'm thinking of.

11 MR. GIACOMARRO: You know at the end where it
12 says refusal zero.

13 MR. GEISLER: Hey, Col, let me ask you
14 something. A lot of times these people are on here so
15 long because we offer them things --

16 MS. DAY: And they refuse it.

17 MR. GEISLER: But we didn't write down any
18 refusals on any of these.

19 MS. DAY: That's the report that comes out.

20 MR. GEISLER: We don't have a thing to put it
21 in?

22 We don't have that generated in our computer.
23 So they could have refused nine times. If I pull the
24 file, we have it in the office.

25 MS. BARCKETT: But they still stay in the

1 position they're in?

2 MR. GEISLER: Listen to me, I'm going to give
3 you a for instance. I had a guy sleeping in a car. He
4 needed a place, he tells us, he needed a place. I
5 didn't have anything back here. I only had something
6 in Belmont. Oh, I got two puppies. I said, well, I
7 can't take puppies. Well, I'm not going to -- I'm
8 going to stay in the car. Okay. Well, I can't help
9 you out.

10 MS. BARCKETT: Him and the puppy stayed in
11 the car?

12 MR. GEISLER: Yes.

13 MR. GIACOMARRO: Under those circumstances,
14 it could go on forever and you'll have somebody on that
15 list 100 years. My opinion is, after a certain period
16 of time, they refuse, you take me off the list.

17 MR. GEISLER: Let's hope we don't have to
18 open the list. Because you see that thing that
19 happened in from Passaic?

20 MS. DAY: Thousands of people.

21 MR. GEISLER: Thousands upon thousands.
22 There's lines. People are mobbing. They're not even
23 from here. They're coming as far as from down south.

24 MS. BARCKETT: They opened the list and
25 people came to sign up?

1 MS. DAY: Thousands.

2 MS. BARCKETT: I didn't read that.

3 MR. GEISLER: You couldn't miss it.

4 MS. RIBAUDO: It was on TV too. They showed
5 the lines.

6 MS. BARCKETT: I don't look at the paper
7 every day. Only the obituaries.

8 MR. DE MARCO: They're the same thing.

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

10 MS. RIBAUDO: I'll make a motion.

11 MS. SUSINO: I'll second.

12 MS. RIBAUDO: Yes.

13 MS. SUSINO: Yes.

14 MR. GIACOMARRO: Yes.

15 MS. BARCKETT: Yes.

16 MR. PUZIO: Yes.

17 CHAIRMAN QUILES: Yes.

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