

MERCER COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY
Meeting Minutes: January 18, 2017

The Members of the Mercer County Housing Authority (MCHA) Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session at 80 Jefferson Avenue, Sharon, PA 16146 at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 18, 2017.

Chairperson Timothy Jablon called the meeting to order, and upon Roll Call, those members present and absent were:

Present: Timothy Jablon (via phone)
Rev. Leon Avery, Jr.
Patricia Reesman
Brittany Newman

Absent: Lori Weston

Also: Nannette Livadas
Cheryl Artis
Kenneth Chuzie
Connie Gallentine
Amber Whenry

The Chairperson welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

Minutes of the December 14, 2016 meeting were reviewed by Timothy Jablon. On a motion from Patricia Reesman, seconded by Rev. Leon Avery, Jr., it was moved to adopt those December minutes and dispense with their reading. Upon voting, the “Ayes” and “Nays” were:

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Timothy Jablon	NONE
Rev. Leon Avery, Jr.	
Patricia Reesman	
Brittany Newman	

The Chairperson declared the motion passed.

Financial reports were reviewed. On a motion from Rev. Leon Avery, Jr., seconded by Patricia Reesman, it was decided to adopt those financial reports for November 2016 as presented. Upon voting, the “Ayes” and “Nays” were:

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Timothy Jablon	NONE
Rev. Leon Avery, Jr.	
Patricia Reesman	
Brittany Newman	

The Chairperson declared the motion passed.

The Chairperson then called for the Executive Director's report.

Executive Report

Nannette Livadas began the meeting by discussing the HCV (Housing Choice Voucher) report. The Section 8 department spent \$1,498,042 in the last calendar year on housing assistance payments. Rev. Leon Avery, Jr. asked if the Authority is looking for more homes. Cheryl Artis replied that the Authority is always looking for more landlords.

Nannette Livadas reported to board members that she is planning the implementation of the use of handheld computers for the completion of work orders. The present system is too cumbersome. Amber Whenry, Earnest Lawson, and Timothy Swogger will be making a trip to the Beaver County Housing Authority to learn how the system is being used there. Ms. Livadas explained that the cost incurred will be for the equipment, not the software. She hopes to have the new system in place by June of this year. Timothy Jablon commented that he noticed the use of these devices in restaurants and they seem to be working well.

Rev. Avery, Jr. posed a question concerning the use of cameras and the police presence at Quinby Street. Holly Campbell replied that cameras are still in use, but there is no longer a police substation located at the Quinby Street Resource Center.

Timothy Jablon thanked Ms. Livadas for her report.

The Chairperson then introduced the following resolution for passage. It was fully read and considered.

RESOLUTION NO. 2434 – Resolution approving the charge-off of Vacated Tenants Accounts Receivable in Herbert Garster Homes, Patterson/Landay, and Centennial Place for the period ending December 31, 2016, effective immediately. (See attachment)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT RESOLUTION NO. 2434 BE HEREBY ADOPTED.

The motion to adopt this resolution, as read, was given by Rev. Leon Avery, Jr. Second to that motion was by Patricia Reesman. Upon voting, the “Ayes” and “Nays” were:

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nayes</u>
Timothy Jablon	NONE
Rev. Leon Avery, Jr.	
Patricia Reesman	
Brittany Newman	

The Chairperson declared the motion passed.

The Chairperson then introduced the following resolution for passage. It was fully read and considered.

RESOLUTION NO. 2435 – Resolution approving the \$200.00 annual donation to each local fire department: Transfer Volunteer Fire Department, East End Fire Department in the City of Sharon, and the Hermitage Fire Department. Effective immediately.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT RESOLUTION NO. 2435 BE HEREBY ADOPTED.

The motion to adopt this resolution, as read, was given by Patricia Reesman. Second to that motion was by Brittany Newman. Upon voting, the “Ayes” and “Nays” were:

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nayes</u>
Timothy Jablon	NONE
Rev. Leon Avery, Jr.	
Patricia Reesman	
Brittany Newman	

The Chairperson declared the motion passed.

There being no other business or public comment the Chairperson called for an Executive Session.

Upon closure of the Executive Session, the motion was made to adjourn this board meeting. It was given by Rev. Leon Avery, Jr. Second to that motion was by Brittany Newman. Upon voting, the “Ayes” and “Nays” were:

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Timothy Jablon	NONE
Rev. Leon Avery, Jr.	
Patricia Reesman	
Brittany Newman	

The Chairperson declared the motion passed and the meeting adjourned.

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Patricia Reesman, Secretary