

Blaine County Housing Authority

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday July 15, 2020 at 5:30 P.M.

Via Teleconference

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Phone Number: (669) 900-6833

Meeting ID: 562 943 2484

Password: 83340

Members Present:

Nate Hart, *Chair*
Liz Keegan, *Vice Chair*
Chase Hamilton
Sabina Gilbert

Absent:

Mason Frederickson, *Treasurer*

Staff:

Nathan Harvill, *Executive Director*
Ann Sandefer, *Program Administrator*

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

BCHA Board Chair, Commissioner Nate Hart called the Regular Monthly Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Roll call was taken by Ann Sandefer. Mason Frederickson, absent, Sabina Gilbert, present, Chase Hamilton, present, Nate Hart, present, Liz Keegan, present.

2. Agenda Review - None

3. Comments from the Partner Organizations & the Public - None

4. Comments from Liaisons from Elected Bodies - Dick Fosbury, Blaine County Commissioner and County liaison to BCHA was on the teleconference stating didn't have much to report as he'd been working with the mask ordinance, health department and on the county budget.

5. Discussion/Action Items

A. Adoption of Community Housing Guidelines (2020 Updates)

A brief discussion occurred with Commissioner Liz Keegan moving to approve the 2020 updated Community Housing Guidelines, as presented, Commissioner Sabina Gilbert seconded. No further discussion, motion passed unanimously at 5:45 p.m.

B. Discussion and Update on Blaine County Foundation and collaboration to address the impact of the pandemic on rent/mortgage payments

BCHF funds have helped 5 households with assistance in collaboration with Blaine County indigent services and Blaine County Charitable Fund. Current available funds would allow for approximately 3 more households to be served @ \$500 each.

C. Discussion and Adoption of Housing Survey to determine changes in Housing Needs as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic

Nathan Harvill, Executive Director presented the Housing Survey that will be set up on Survey Monkey. Discussion ensued with some minor changes suggested by Board Members.

D. Discussion related to the BCHA FY 2021 Budget

The City of Hailey will be reducing funding by 5% along with the possibility of pulling their current bookkeeping services allotment to BCHA. Discussion centered on ways to reduce the bookkeeping load and the possibility of paying a fee for services.

E. Discussion related to the Lift Tower Lodge Site, Next Steps

The Board discussed the possibility of advisement from outside sources with no conflict of interest, to determine best steps going forward on the Lift Tower Lodge Site. The Board decided a preliminary RFP will be worked on by Nathan Harvill, Executive Director.

6. Commissioner Reports -

Commissioner Liz Keegan reported she'd talked with a local realtor and Title Company to get their perspective on our real estate market. Demand for short-term rental housing has increased, mostly from remote workers of adult children of local residents, as well as city dwellers looking to relocate. Housing prices continue to rise.

7. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of June 17, 2020 BCHA Special Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Sabina Gilbert moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Minutes, as presented, Commissioner Liz Keegan seconded. No further discussion, motion passed unanimously at 7:00 p.m.

8. Staff Reports

A. Receive and file Executive Director's Report

B. Receive and file Program Administrator's Report

9. Announcements – Calendar of Upcoming Meetings & Events

A. August 19, 2020, BCHA Special Meeting, via teleconference (if needed)

B. September 16, 2020, BCHA Special Meeting, via teleconference (if needed)

C. October 21, 2020, BCHA Regular Meeting

10. Executive Session (if required) – Idaho Code 74-206 (1) to discuss, (a) hiring, (b) personnel (c) acquiring interest in real property, (d) records disclosure, (f) pending litigation, or (i) pending claims

11. Action Item – None

12. Adjournment – Commissioner Nate Hart adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Approved by

Ann Sandefer
BCHA Program Administrator

Nate Hart
BCHA Chair