

# Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Freeport

Wed Oct 16, 2024 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CDT

1052 West Galena Avenue Freeport, IL 61032 - Main Office, Lower Level

#### I. Call To Order

The Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Freeport was held on Wednesday, October 16, 2024, at the Housing Authority of the City of Freeport Administrative Office located at 1052 W. Galena Ave, Freeport, Illinois at 12:00 p.m. Board Chair Williams-Thomas called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

#### II. Roll Call

The following members were present and responded to Roll Call:

#### Attendance

#### Members

**Present:** Greta Harrell, Paulette Williams-Thomas, Quincy Carter, Shanell Pearson, Randy Bukas, Clay Cunningham

Absent: Kevyn Sutter

Also Present: Rachel Greenwood, James Palermo, Tasha Mazique

Remote: Mike Bainbridge, Chief Financial Officer

## III. Pledge of the Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

#### IV. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Harrell moved to approve the Agenda for October 16, 2024, second by Commissioner Cunningham. Roll Call was as follow:

## Voting

### Member Votes Yes (5)

Greta Harrell, Paulette Williams-Thomas, Quincy Carter, Shanell Pearson, Clay Cunningham

### Member Votes No (1)

Randy Bukas

A Chair Williams-Thomas declared motion passed.

## V. Approval of Minutes

a. Regular Board Minutes, September 18, 2024

Commissioner Bukas reported changes and comments with Minutes for September 18, 2024. Chair Williams-Thomas stated for these changes to be corrected by staff. Commissioner Cunningham moved to approve for Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Freeport September 18, 2024, second by Commissioner Pearson.

# Voting

#### Member Votes Yes (4)

Greta Harrell, Paulette Williams-Thomas, Quincy Carter, Clay Cunningham

### Member Votes No (1)

Randy Bukas

Chair Williams-Thomas declared motion passed.

## VI. Public Comment

None.

### VII. Financial Report, Mike Bainbridge

a. Monthly Financials August 2024
Mike Bainbridge presented reports for August 2024.

At 12: 10 p.m. Commissioner Sutter entered room.

At 12: 11 p.m. Commissioner Bukas left room, then returned to room at 12:12 p.m.

### VIII. Approvals of Financials August 2024

Commissioner Harrell moved to approve for Approval of Financials August 2024, second by Commissioner Pearson.

Roll Call was as follows:

# Voting

### Member Votes Yes (6)

Greta Harrell, Paulette Williams-Thomas, Quincy Carter, Shanell Pearson, Kevyn Sutter, Clay Cunningham

### Member Votes No (1)

## Randy Bukas



Chair Williams-Thomas declared motion passed.

### IX. HACF Reports

HACF Staff members presented reports for August 2024.

X. Enter into Closed Session for the purpose of:

At 12:28 p.m. Commissioner Harrell moved, second by Commissioner Carter to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of the following:

a. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this Act. (5 ILCS 120/2)

Roll Call was as follows:

# Voting

#### Member Votes Yes (7)

Greta Harrell, Paulette Williams-Thomas, Quincy Carter, Shanell Pearson, Randy Bukas, Kevyn Sutter, Clay Cunningham



Chair Williams-Thomas declared motion passed.

HACF Staff members left room at 12:30 p.m. Mike Bainbridge exited meeting.

At 12: 32 p.m. Commissioner Harrell moved, second by Commissioner Carter to return to Open Session. Roll Call was as follows:

### Voting

### Member Votes Yes (7)

Greta Harrell, Paulette Williams-Thomas, Quincy Carter, Shanell Pearson, Randy Bukas, Kevyn Sutter, Clay Cunningham

HACF Staff members entered room at 12:33 p.m.

#### XI. Resolutions

a. Resolution 102024-01: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract Between the Housing Authority of the City of Freeport and Silver Creek Landscape Company for Snow Removal Services

Rachel Greenwood and Jim Palermo discussed contract, Commissioner Bukas and Commissioner Carter asked questions, staff responded.

### XII. Approvals

a. Resolution 102024-01: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract Between the Housing Authority of the City of Freeport and Silver Creek Landscape Company for Snow Removal Services

Commissioner Carter moved to approve Resolution 102024-01, second by Commissioner Pearson, Roll Call was as follows:

# Voting

## Member Votes Yes (7)

Greta Harrell, Paulette Williams-Thomas, Quincy Carter, Shanell Pearson, Randy Bukas, Kevyn Sutter, Clay Cunningham

A Chair Williams-Thomas declared motion passed.

## XIII. Adjournment

Commissioner Harrell moved to approve Adjournment, second by Commissioner Pearson. Roll Call was as follows:

# Voting

## Member Votes Yes (7)

Greta Harrell, Paulette Williams-Thomas, Quincy Carter, Shanell Pearson, Randy Bukas, Kevyn Sutter, Clay Cunningham

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Chair Williams-Thomas declared motion passed and at 12:38 p.m. meeting was declared adjourned.

Attest:

Paulette Williams-Thomas

Chair of the Board of Commissioners

Housing Authority of the City of Freeport

Rachel Greenwood

Interim Executive Director

Housing Authority of the City of Freeport