

East Providence Housing Authority
Board of Commissioners
May 20, 2025
Meeting Minutes

Open Session

May 20, 2025

Meeting began at 1:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Role Call by Executive Director Rose Ott– John Faria, Chairman of the Board, Luci Stoddard, Nicholas Williams & Carol Brown & Executive Director Rose Ott

Excused absence: Miles Bonalewicz, Elaine Gonsalves & Jacqueline Hicks.

Mayor DaSilva: Presented updates on the Town of East Providence possibilities for purchases to create more affordable housing for the City of E. Providence. He also stated he would welcome the East Providence Housing Authority partnering with the town in this endeavor as Hud would permit us to. A future meeting is scheduled with Deborah Goddard at the Dept. of Administration at the State House on May 22, 2025, to discuss possibilities. The Mayor invited our Atty Louise Marcus to attend and if possible, Luci Stoddard vice chairman of the Board and myself, Rose Ott Executive Director to discuss these plans with Deborah Goddard. No Vote taken.

Follow up of Mayor DaSilva's presentation Atty. Louise Marcus

Atty. Louise Marcus gave a more detailed explanation of the items the Mayor discussed and answered the Board's questions as we move forward with this endeavor. No Vote taken.

Presentation from tenant, Ida Wright:

Ida explained the organization she began for City View and Goldsmith tenants called the Community Development team. This team was formed to build a stronger community by addressing concerns, offering support and creating opportunities for collaboration. She discussed meeting structure and what this group has accomplished so far. No Vote taken.

Approval of March 18, 2025 Minutes

Motion made to accept meeting minutes: Luci Stoddard

Second: Nicholas Williams

All voted Aye: **Motion passes**

Executive Director Report

Motion made to accept Executive Director Report: Nicholas Williams

Second: Carol Brown

All voted Aye: **Motion passes**

Public Housing Vacancy Report/ Resident Coordinator Report (RC out on Medical leave)

Motion Made to accept both Vacancy/Resident Coordinator Reports: Luci Stoddard

Second: Nicholas Williams

All voted Aye: **Motion Passes**

Housing Choice Voucher Report

Motion Made to accept Housing Choice Voucher Report: Luci Stoddard

Second: Carol Brown

All voted Aye: **Motion Passes**

Family Self Sufficiency Report

Motion made to accept Family Self Sufficiency report: Nicholas Williams

Second: Carol Brown

All voted aye: **Motion Passes**

Paid Bills Reports March \$445,164.16/ Paid Bills Reports April \$162,042.06- Vote

Motion made to bundle the two reports together for a vote: Luci Stoddard

Second: Carol Brown

All Voted Aye: **Motion Passes**

Motion made to accept March \$445,164.16 & April \$162,042.06 Paid Bill Reports: Luci Stoddard

Second: Nicholas Williams

Aye: John Faria

Luci Stoddard

Nicholas Williams

Carol Brown

All Voted Aye: **Motion Passes**

Bids on company for a three year contract with possibility of two year extension to preform yearly required HUD Audits for East Providence Housing:

Motion Made to accept Marcum/CBIZ as the Audit Company: Luci Stoddard

Second: Carol Brown

Aye: John Faria

Luci Stoddard

Nicholas Williams

Carol Brown

All Voted Aye: **Motion Passes**

Meeting adjourned:

Motion made to adjourn: Luci Stoddard

Second: Nicholas Williams

Meeting adjourned: 2:45 pm