WINOOSKI HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

4:15 P.M. March 27, 2024 Zoom For link please call (802) 655 2360 by noon of the scheduled meeting.

MINUTES

Present: Chair Owen; Vice Chair Raymond; Commissioner Al Zubaidy

Officers: ED Decarreau

Meeting called to order by Chair Owen at 4:18

1. Public Comment

No Comment

2. Approve Agenda – No Changes Proposed by Staff

No Changes

3. Approve Minutes of February 20, 2024

Postponed

4. FY 25 Budget Approval

ED Decarreau noted an addition of \$67, 000 in benefit contribution from the Courtyard. Will be amended at a late date.

Commissioner Owen asked about the base rate of 1.9% for long term employee, Executive Director, and new employees. ED noted that there is additional funding in the budget for raises for market adjustments or promotions.

Commissioner Raymond asked whether bill.com will reduce the workload. ED Decarreau noted that all of the positions are still needed to make bill.com work. Efficiency will provide more time to devote to other duties. ED Decarreau also noted that the risk of sending our paper checks is now considerable.

ED Decarreau explained the new position in Property Management allows us to have a full time SASH position and a full time Property Management position that is an assistant to start, but may lead to a career path as a property manager.

ED Decarreau noted that property and casualty insurance rates are projected to increase by 20%. The affordable housing industry has an eye on this as an issue.

Commissioner Al Zubaidy asked about the Foot Clinic. ED Decarreau explained that this is part of the SASH program that provides foot care for seniors. Seniors often struggle with basic foot care and this is particularly important for folks with diabetes who may lose limbs if feet are not monitored and cared for.

Motion to Approve budget as submitted by Commissioner Raymond. Seconded by Commissioner Al Zubaidy.

Motion carries 3 – 0

5. Discussion of Policy on Felony Standard for Wait List Application

Postponed

6. Discussion on Statewide Waitlist

Postponed

7. Other Business

Postponed

8. Adjourn

Motion to postpone the remainder of the agenda to the regular April Meeting by Commissioner Raymond. Seconded by Commissioner Al Zubaidy.

Motion carries 3 - 0