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Councillor, St. Catharines

Walter Sendzik
Councillor, St. Catharines

Selina Volpatti
Councillor, Niagara Falls

Minutes

NIAGARA REGIONAL HOUSING Board of Directors Meeting

#170 – 2018

NRH Board Room
Campbell East, 3rd Floor
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way
Thorold, ON

March 9, 2018 - 9:30 A.M. -12:00 P.M.

Attendees

Directors/Members: H. D'Angela, J. Hyatt, K. Blackley, B. Baker,
P. Grenier, W. Sendzik, Tim Rigby,

Regrets: S. Volpatti

NRH Staff: D. Woiceshyn, C. Banach, W. Thompson,
D. White, S. Upton, V. Amato

Regional Staff: A. Jugley, Commissioner, Community
Services
V. Duru, Program Financial Analyst

Guests: For item 3, Paula Gardner, PhD,
Assistant Professor (Public Health),
Brock University
Tia Rogers-Jarrell, Brock University

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 9:25 A.M.
The Chair welcomed Betty Ann Baker to the Board.

1. Adoption of Agenda/Declaration of Conflict

Add NRH Surplus and Corporate Services Committee ASD Report under Business Arising.

Moved by J. Hyatt

Seconded by W. Sendzik

That the agenda be ADOPTED.

CARRIED

No conflicts of interest were declared.

2. Approval of Minutes

2.1. Minutes of the February 9, 2018 Meeting

Moved by W. Sendzik

Seconded by K. Blackley

That the minutes of the February 9, 2018 meeting be ADOPTED.

CARRIED

2.2. Business Arising

2.2.1. Carlton Street Development Update #8 – 18-170-2.2.1.

2.2.2. Budget Snapshot of Carlton St. New Development – 18-170-2.2.2.

- Change completion to occupancy date.

Moved by W. Sendzik

Seconded by B. Baker

That the NRH Board of Directors RECEIVE 18-170-2.2.1., Carlton Street Development Update #8 and 2.2.2. Budget Snapshot of Carlton St. New Development, for information.

CARRIED

2.2.3. NRH Year-End Transfer

The Chair advised that the Corporate Services Committee (CSC) approved a year-end transfer to the NRH reserve of \$2.29 M to be directed towards the Niagara Falls intensification project.

2.2.4. Alternate Service Delivery Report to Corporate Services Committee
(CSD 14-2018, March 7, 2018)

Directors sitting on the ASD Task Force advised that they were disappointed with the report as it contained faulty and/or mis-leading information; it failed to include all options. Because the report failed to clearly educate Council regarding nature of challenges, it is hoped that Council will approve a Committee of the Whole meeting to achieve this end.

*Moved by W. Sendzik
Seconded by J. Hyatt*

That the NRH Board of Directors RECEIVE the verbal reports regarding the NRH Surplus and ASD.

CARRIED

Staff was directed to add this item to the next meeting agenda for further discussion.

3. Presentation – *Through Their Eyes* – Brock Partnership

Paula Gardner, PHD Assistant Professor (Public Health) Brock University and Tia Rogers-Jarrell, MA (Candidate), Community Health, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences and Healthy Communities Course Teaching Assistant, presented a slideshow and videos. Since 2014, NRH has partnered with the Brock Department of Health Sciences on *Through Their Eyes*, an intergenerational project exploring the Age Friendliness of Niagara. Seniors and university students discovered they have much in common and found the experience interesting and enjoyable. NRH has implemented their recommendations whenever possible.

*Moved by W. Sendzik
Seconded by P. Grenier*

That the NRH Board of Directors RECEIVE, presentation 18-170-3., entitled Through Their Eyes, for information.

CARRIED

4. Reports

4.1. New NRH Structure – Committee and Advisory Group Director Assignments and Terms of Reference – Report 18-170-4.1.

*Moved by J. Hyatt
Seconded by B. Baker*

**That Niagara Regional Housing Board of Directors APPROVE:
1. LIFTING the suspension on Executive Committee meetings**

2. **DROPPING the Investment Committee (duties can be handled by the Executive)**
3. **MAKING the Governance Committee ad hoc**
4. **REMOVING IAH-E from the Development Committee title**
5. **Staff INVESTIGATING alternate Appeal Committee structure; and,**
6. **Committee/Advisory Group ASSIGNMENTS as follows:**

Committee/ Advisory Group	Director
Executive	H. D'Angela – Chair J. Hyatt – Vice-Chair B. Baker – Secretary K. Blackley - Treasurer
Tender Awards	Co-Chairs: J. Hyatt & T. Rigby
Appeals	All Directors as per sign up sheet
Development	H. D'Angela – Chair J. Hyatt - Vice Chair Tim Rigby
Tenant Advisory Group (TAG) 1 Director + Backup	Vacant - Chair
Provider Advisory Group (PAG)	B. Baker - Chair
Governance 3 or more Directors	To be determined should committee be required
Other: ASD <i>Membership requirements as per Feb. 25, 2016 Council meeting & CL-C 30-2016</i>	2 NRH Councillor Directors: H. D'Angela & S. Volpatti 2 NRH Non-Councillor Directors: J. Hyatt & B. Baker

CARRIED

The various committees and groups to review Terms of Reference (TOR) at their next meetings to determine if edits are required.

4.1.1. Appeal Hearing Sign up Sheet – 18-170-4.1.1.

Directors were requested to indicate dates they were available to attend appeal hearings.

4.2. Manchester Incident Update – Memo 18-170-4.2.

*Moved by T. Rigby
Seconded by B. Baker*

That the Niagara Regional Housing (NRH) Board of Directors RECEIVE the Manchester Incident update for information.

CARRIED

Staff to include Mayor's office in when invites go out.

Action by: W. Thompson

5. New Business

There was no new business

6. Chief Executive Officers Report

6.1. Financial Statements – NRH Audited Financial Statements to be provided in April 2018

7. Committee/Advisory Group Meeting Minutes

7.1. Tenant Advisory Group (TAG) Minutes – Report 18-170-7.1.

*Moved by W. Sendzik
Seconded by K. Blackley*

That the NRH Board of Directors RECEIVE the minutes of the December 13, 2017, Tenant Advisory Group meeting, for information.

CARRIED

8. For Information

8.1. NRH 2017 Director Board and Committee Attendance - Report 18-170-8.1.

*Moved by J. Hyatt
Seconded by K. Blackley*

That the NRH Board of Directors RECEIVE item 18-170-8.1., NRH 2017 Director Board and Committee Attendance for information.

CARRIED

8.2. Housing Provider Forum February 22, 2018 – Impact of Cannabis Legislation on Social Housing – Memo 18-170-8.2.

K. Blackley provided a summary of the session, which presented insight on the various aspects of Social Housing affected by the Cannabis Legislation. The forum was well attended with representation from other municipalities as well.

*Moved by K. Blackley
Seconded by T. Rigby*

That the NRH Board of Directors RECEIVE memo 18-170-8.2., Housing Provider Forum February 22, 2018 – Impact of Cannabis Legislation on Social Housing, for information.

CARRIED

8.3. Oath of Confidentiality – Item 18-170-8.3.

Directors were asked to sign and return the NRH Oath of Confidentiality.

8.4. NRH Property Tax Exemption Analysis CSC 4-2018 & CSD 36-2018; letter from Ann-Marie Norio, Deputy Regional Clerk to local Area Municipalities dated March 5, 2018. – Item 18-170-8.4.

*Moved by K. Blackley
Seconded by B. Baker*

That the NRH Board of Directors RECEIVE item 18-170-8.4., NRH Property Tax Exemption Analysis CSC 4-2018 & CSD 36-2018; letter from Ann-Marie Norio, Deputy Regional Clerk to local Area Municipalities dated March 5, 2018, for information.

CARRIED

8.5. Letter Dated Feb. 27, 2018 from Minister Milczyn, to Chair Caslin, regarding the review of social and affordable housing in Ontario, included in the 2017 Auditor General's Report – Item 18-170-8.5.

*Moved by J. Hyatt
Seconded by T. Rigby*

That the NRH Board of Directors RECEIVE item 18-170-8.5., a Letter Dated Feb. 27, 2018 from Minister Milczyn, to Chair Caslin, regarding the review of social and affordable housing in Ontario, included in the 2017 Auditor General's Report, for information.

CARRIED

9. Other Business

There was no other business.

10. Closed Session – 10:52 A.M.

With the exception of the Interim CEO and EA all other staff and guests left the meeting.

*Moved by P. Grenier
Seconded by W. Sendzik*

That the NRH Board of Directors MOVE INTO closed session to receive information of a confidential nature regarding litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board – Stamford Kiwanis Update & Carlton St. Update, and to receive information of a confidential nature regarding personal matters about identifiable individuals including municipal or local board employees – CEO Recruitment.

CARRIED

10.1. Stamford Kiwanis Update

10.2. 527 Carlton St. Update

D. Woiceshyn left the meeting at 11:05 A.M.

10.3. CEO Recruitment

10.a.

11:21 A.M.

Moved by P. Grenier

Seconded by T. Rigby

That the NRH Board of Directors RISE with report.

CARRIED

10.b.

Moved by P. Grenier

Seconded by T. Rigby

That the NRH Board of Directors MOVE FORWARD with the CEO recruitment process.

CARRIED

11. Next Meeting

Friday, April 20, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.

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12. Adjournment

Motion to ADJOURN at 11:22 A.M.

Moved by P. Grenier

Seconded by W. Sendzik

Minutes Approved:

Chair

Secretary