

**Nebraska Commission on Housing and Homelessness (NCHH)**

**Nebraska State Office Building  
301 Centennial Mall South  
Conference Room LLD  
Lincoln, NE 68509**

**Minutes of Wednesday, August 5, 2015 10:00 am**

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Open Meetings Act – A copy of the Open Meetings Act was located on the table as you enter the room.  
All votes were taken by roll call of the members.

**I. Roll Call**

Shannon Fortney called roll.

Twelve of fifteen Commissioners were present:

Charles Coley; Ryan Durant; Paul Hamelink; Lee Ann Heflebower; Ardith Hoins; James Kozal; Steve Kunzman; Kathy Mesner; Roger Nadrchal; Carna Pfeil; John Turner and Brent Williams.

Absent Commissioners: Thomas Judds; Judy Pederson; and Erin Porterfield.

Guests present were: Janet Latimer, Horizon Bank; Delbert Virchow, USDA-RD; Lisa Vukov, MACCH; Jon Cannon, Dept. of Revenue; Judy Anderson, HOPWA; Tammie Sholtz, DHHS-NHAP; and Joe Lauber, Bob Doty, Sara Tichota and Shannon Fortney, DED.

**II. Call meeting to order:**

Vice Chair Turner declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Vice Chair Turner indicated the Opening Meetings Act was located on the table as individuals entered the room.

**III. Introductions**

**IV. Public Comment**

No Public Comment

**V. Approved March 17, 2015, and May 20, 2015 meeting minutes.**

**Motion:** Charles Coley moved that the March 17, 2015 and the May 20, 2015 meeting minutes be approved. Roger Nadrchal seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Coley – yes; Durant – yes; Hamelink – yes; Heflebower- yes; Hoins – yes; Kozal-yes; Kunzman – yes; Mesner-yes; Nadrchal – yes; Pfeil-abstained; Turner-yes; and Williams - yes.

Motion carried with an 11-0-1 vote.

**VI. Executive Committee—Did not meet**

VII. LB 356 Valuation Committee – Member Recommendation

Jon Cannon, Department of Revenue, provided property tax background and explained the requirement of LB 356 as it pertained to the NCHH. Various Commissioners explained the role of the Valuation Committee's member and made personal recommendations for the appropriate nominee. Each candidate was recognized for past and present accomplishments.

**Motion: James Kozal moved that John Weichmann be nominated as the NCHH representative to the Valuation Committee. Charles Coley seconded the motion.**

Roll call vote: Coley – yes; Durant – yes; Hamelink – yes; Heflebower- yes; Hoins – yes; Kozal-yes; Kunzman – yes; Mesner-yes; Nadrchal – yes; Pfeil-yes; Turner-yes; and Williams - yes.

**Motion carried with a unanimous vote.**

**Motion: Brent Williams moved that Kathy Mesner would provide formal notification to the Department of Revenue indicating John Weichmann as the NCHH's nominated representative to the Valuation Committee. Steve Kunzman seconded the motion.**

Roll call vote: Coley – yes; Durant – yes; Hamelink – yes; Heflebower- yes; Hoins – yes; Kozal-yes; Kunzman – yes; Mesner-yes; Nadrchal – yes; Pfeil-yes; Turner-yes; and Williams - yes.

**Motion carried with a unanimous vote.**

VIII. Report from Standing Committees

1. Continuum of Care Committee

Charles Coley provided CoC history and role. Coley explained the background and current approach to the 10 Year Plan. Coley reported on current funding and future funding needs regarding CoC planning facilitation. Coley also reported sources of funding under consideration include private donations, NHDA, DED Trust Funds, etc.

2. Education and Awareness Committee —Did not meet

John Turner reported on the status of the social media approach for promoting the Commission and its associated efforts. Turner reported on the inclusion of the Commission in upcoming efforts of DED for implementing social media. Turner also reported on efforts to develop a PowerPoint presentation for use at various service groups.

Turner explained the mission of the Education and Awareness Committee and asked for interested parties to consider chairing the committee as he focused his attention on the CoC.

3. Policy and Issues Committee

Brent Williams summarized the goal and duties of the Policy and Issues Committee. Williams reported that committee is concluding current matters and opened the floor for suggestions for new areas to be addressed.

IX. Reports from Agencies and Organizations

Community Action of Nebraska – Ardith Hoins  
Department of Economic Development—Bob Doty  
Department of Health and Human Services Agency – Tammie Shultz  
FHL Bank Topeka – Brent Williams  
Midwest Housing Group – Cindy Koster  
Nebraska Housing Developers Association - Danielle Hill  
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development – Delbert Virchow

X. Adjourn

Vice Chair Turner adjourned the meeting on August 5, 2015 at 12:04 p.m.