

Minutes

Beloit Community Development Authority

Parker Bluff – 220 Portland Avenue, Beloit, WI 53511

August 28, 2019

4:30 P.M.

The regular meeting of the City of Beloit Community Development Authority was held on Wednesday, August 28, 2019 in the Community Room of Parker Bluff Apartments, 220 Portland Avenue.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Meeting was called to order by Commissioner Baker at 4:37 PM.

Present: Commissioners Baker, Ellison, Forbeck, Leavy, Murray, and Kenitzer

Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Christensen, Clinton Cole, and Teri Downing

2. Public Comment

Steve Holland, Beloit Equal Opportunities Commissioner, addressed the CDA Board regarding the 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing report. Mr. Holland urged the Commissioners to carefully read the report and stated that Beloit as a community should seek solutions to the identified impediments.

3. Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 24, 2019

A motion was made by Commissioner Baker and seconded by Commissioner Murray to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 24, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Beloit Housing Authority:

a. Presentation of the July Activity Report

Clinton Cole, Beloit Housing Authority Director, gave a brief summary of the report.

Clint reported that representatives from HUD's Departmental Enforcement Center were recently at the BHA to conduct an on-site review. Their report is expected within a few weeks and will be shared with the CDA Board upon receipt.

Clint also stated that the BHA will be issuing 40 Housing Choice Vouchers in September in an effort to maintain program numbers and utilize the funding received from HUD.

b. Presentation of the June Financial Report

Clinton Cole, Beloit Housing Authority Director, gave a brief summary of the report.

Clint stated that the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Family Self-Sufficiency Coordinator program has not yet been released by HUD. Clint also stated that the NOFA for HUD's ROSS Service Coordinator program has been released. He

expressed an interest in applying for these funds as an additional potential source of funding should the BHA not be awarded the Family Self-Sufficiency Coordinator grant. The BHA Board expressed comments in support of the BHA applying for both grants.

c. Public Hearing and Consideration of Resolution 2019-18 Approving the Beloit Housing Authority's 2019 Capital Fund Program Grant Budget Revision

Clinton Cole presented the staff report and recommendation.

Chairman Baker opened the Public Hearing regarding revisions to the 2019 Capital Fund Program Grant budget revision. The Public Hearing closed with no comments.

Commissioner Forbeck moved and Commissioner Ellison seconded a motion to approve Resolution 2019-18. Motion carried unanimously.

5. **Community and Housing Services**

a. Consideration of Resolution 2019-19 Recommending Approval of the 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing

Teri Downing, Community and Housing Services Director, presented the staff report and recommendation.

Commissioner Forbeck expressed concerns regarding the challenges presented by the data contained in the report, and how the community can address the challenges in an efficient and effective manner. Chairman Baker mentioned the high eviction rate in Rock County and was curious about the reason or cause for the evictions. Commissioner Leavy expressed concern regarding the current transit routes, and whether lack of transportation has any negative effects in housing and employment opportunities.

Ms. Downing explained that the City was currently undergoing a regional transportation study and that the routes would be reevaluated. She also mentioned that the importance of transit was mentioned at the steering committee meetings for the Consolidated Plan.

Commissioner Forbeck moved and Commissioner Ellison seconded a motion to approve Resolution 2019-19. Motion carried unanimously.

6. **Adjournment**

Commissioner Forbeck moved and Commissioner Leavy seconded a motion to adjourn into the 2020 CDBG funding workshop at 5:24 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

The workshop was adjourned at 8:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Clinton Cole