

## Acton Housing Authority

Minutes of the Regular Meeting, 9 October 1984, 7:30 PM, 68 Windsor Avenue

Attendance: James Sargent, Joseph Mercurio, Marlin Murdock, Leah Nazarian, Barbara Yates. Betty McManus, Anne Puzella, Ann Hosmer/Acton Housing Authority.

Colin Hickey/Assabet Valley Beacon.

Guests: Mary Hobart, CARD, Littleton Housing Authority; Mary Fischelio, CARD, Emerson Hospital; Robert Cole, Area Director DMH, Concord; Katherine Bovey, Facility Developer DMH; Ben Sears, CARD; Roberta Cudlitz, House Manager Eliot House; Naomi Lerman, Clinical Director Eliot House; Robert Stern, Executive Director Eliot Community Mental Health Center.

1. Marlin Murdock, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.
2. The Minutes of the Regular Meeting, 24 September 1984, were approved.
3. Executive Director's Report
  - A. Naomi McManus, Marlin Murdock, James Sargent and Leah Nazarian will attend EOCD's Conference on October 26, 1984 and October 27, 1984.
  - B. The Board discussed the Selectmen's decision to appoint a sub-committee to study the additional ambulance charges over and above medical insurance reimbursement.
  - C. A new garbage disposal was installed to replace a damaged one in a handicapped unit at Windsor Green.
  - D. The Authority has received ten(10) tax abatements ( nine (9) condominium and one (1) raw land) from the assessors office.
  - E. The Board was informed that Emerson Hospital's Visiting Nurse is seeing clients in Acton.
  - F. A report on the Annual Meeting of Parker Village Condominium Association was discussed.
  - G. The Authority has received \$2,400 on Energy Conservation Funds to replace all the incandescent lamps with fluorescent lamps in the common areas.
  - H. EOCD's new round of funding for 667 and 705 Housing Programs were noted. The sense of the Board was not to apply for further funding until the new construction for elderly/family housing is completed.

- I. The formal approval by EOCD for new income limits was noted.
4. Representatives from the Eliot Community Mental Health Center, DMH, and CARD discussed with the Board the possibilities of submitting a joint proposal (Authority and DMH) for Chapter 689 funds to the Executive Office of Communities and Development. The funds would enable the Authority to purchase the Eliot House, a group home currently having twelve DMH clients.

Leah Nazarian moved that the Acton Housing Authority pursue the option of purchasing the Eliot House with Chapter 689 funds. Barbara Yates seconded the motion and all Members voted in favor.

A sub-committee was formed to study the feasibility of submitting the proposal. The members of the sub-committee are:

Marlin Murdock, Joseph Mercurio, Leah Nazarian/Acton Housing Authority. Katherine Bovey/DMH. Naomi Lerman/Eliot House. A representative from the Eliot Mental Health Center.

A final report will be submitted to the entire Board on November 5, 1984 for their review.

5. Old Business

- A. The Director reviewed with the board the current status of the repairs at Windsor Green.
- B. The Director updated the Board on the current status of the elderly/family complex to be constructed on Route 2A. The Authority has received final approval for the curb change from DPW. The catch basins located on Route 2A are still being investigated by the Authority's engineer.

6. New Business

- A. The Board reviewed and signed off on the Authority's Management Checklist which will be submitted to EOCD.

7. The Regular Meeting adjourned at 10:30 PM.

8. The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for October 22, 1984 at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Naomi E. McManus  
Executive Director