

**HOUSING AUTHORITY OF
ST. MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**
Meeting held August 18, 2010

MINUTES

Present: Robert Gant, Jr., Chair, Commissioner
Jan Barnes, Co-Chair, Commissioner
Joan Gelrud, Co-Chair, Commissioner
Agnes Butler, Commissioner
Andrew Kozak, Commissioner
Darlene Johnson, Commissioner
Dennis L. Nicholson, Secretary
Crystal Wojciechowski, Recorder

Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order by Dennis Nicholson at 5:45 p.m..

Consideration of Minutes

Reviewed and discussed minutes from previous Housing Authority Board meeting in July 2010. Motioned by J. Barnes, Seconded by D. Johnson for approval of the minutes with Board's proposed changes from the meeting held July 14, 2010. Minutes approved.

Colony Square

Currently, there are 63 residents renting townhomes at Colony Square; 30 townhomes are owner occupied; 15 residents located in Colony Square receive HCV assistance; 3 residents receive homeownership vouchers. At this time, the real challenge is not necessarily tenants residing in the community; the larger challenge is all the visitors, friends and/or drive-ins that take over the community and increase the density of the area.

Support agencies are working with the residents to help uplift the community through community meetings, back to school supply drives and community cleanup. The Housing Authority's role in the Colony Square community is to send out a letter to all property owners to begin some discussions on how all property owners that rent out their units can set lease requirements consistent in all the townhomes. Issues to be addressed are family obligations, trash, leasing provisions and the possibility of having one contact person at Colony Square to come to the Housing Authority with any issues that come up.

Resolution 2010-04 Greenview Village Apartments Community Legacy Application

Greenview Village Apartments' ("Greenview") Community Legacy Application Resolution supports the application of up to \$140,000 in grant funds from the Community Legacy Program to make accessibility improvements in four units that will be ADA compliant, for the installation of an access path to the playground on site and to

completely upgrade and install a new playground to current safety and accessibility standards. Other money has been leveraged for the rehabilitation of Greenview, including \$2.5 million in CDBG funds for the installation of a fire sprinkler system.

Motion of approve Resolution 2010-04 supporting the Greenview Village Apartments Community Legacy Application made by J. Barnes, seconded by R. Gant Jr. All present in favor. Motion passed.

Lexwood Drive Property for Sale

Movement on the purchase of property on Lexwood Drive owned by Melvin Brown is currently at a standstill. At this time the contract of sale does not show transfer of ownership to the Browns. The Housing Authority needs more information to move forward with the sale.

Lexington Park Zoning and Ordinance Plan Presentation by Derick Berlage

Derick Berlage from Land Use and Growth Management stopped by the Board Meeting to discuss the Zoning Ordinance Plan for Lexington Park and other surrounding areas. A copy of this presentation will be sent to all Commissioners.

Motion to adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Robert Gant, Jr., Seconded by Andrew Kozak. All in favor. Motion carried.

Quorum Broken - Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:15 p.m.

SUBMITTED:

ACCEPTED BY:

Dennis L. Nicholson, Secretary

Robert Gant Jr., Chair