NHLWAA

Executive Committee Meeting Via Zoom 1/19/23 Minutes

Board members in attendance: BJ Parker, Pat Murphy, Natalie Darcy, Sarah Gerlack, Todd Marsh, Bob Mack, David Balian, Charlene Michaud, Lynne Goodwin, Karen Emis-Williams and Ellen Tully.

Minutes submitted by Natalie Darcy

- 1. **Board of Directors meeting** called to order at 9:51 am
- Minutes of 12/15/22 edited to correct spelling of Jenne Robillard and add to minutes
 that the Board approved the signing of the Support Letter for Medicaid Expansion
 Legislation to continue Motion to approve made by Pat, seconded by BJ, motion passed.
- 3. **Treasurer's report** reviewed. Motion to approve made by Natalie, and seconded by Lynne, motion approved.
- 4. Executive Board of Directors
 - **a. Membership Communications**: Todd received many phone calls; questions are being asked. Welfare Directors want to do things correctly. Todd had 2 visits this last month regarding welfare.
 - **b. NH Housing Finance Authority meeting**: Bob, Trish, and Todd went to regarding hotels and CAP's. Message is to stop sending people to the CAPs for motels. Try to find a way to collaborate. Lynn Lippett will possibly be speaking at the February General meeting to address the issues with the end of ERAP program.
 - **c. NH Center for Non-Profits**: Renewal is due at the cost of \$92.00. Pat stated that Denise had used this to help with writing the bi-laws and had advocated for it for that specific reason. Nobody has used this as we can get services from NHMA. David will do some research on cost.
 - d. Todd thanked the committees for all their hard work.

5. Committee Reports

- a. Legislative Affairs Karen (chair) reporting:
 - **1. HB 95** Enabling municipalities to adopt rental practice regulation Public Hearing 1/18/23.
 - **2. HB 112** Relative to tenant's right to notification prior to the sale of a multifamily home Public Hearing 1/25/23.
 - **3. HB 117** Relative to the termination of tenancy at the expiration of the tenancy or lease term. Public Hearing 1/25/23.
 - **4. HB 261** Authorizing residential tenants to terminate their lease instances of domestic violence or following a disabling illness or accident. Public Hearing 1/25/23.
 - 5. HB 294 Enabling municipalities to adopt a child tax credit. Public Hearing 1/26/23.

- **6. HB 379** Requiring that attorneys be appointed to represent indigent tenants during residential eviction proceedings and making an appropriation therefore Public Hearing 1/26/23.
- **7. HB 401** Relative to evictions based on the owner's intent to renovate the property. Public hearing 1/25/23.
- **8. HB 422** To create a public county registry of the monthly rent charged by landlords for each owned unit. Public Hearing 1/18/23.
- **9. SB 110** RSA change from Elizabeth Dragon, City Manager for Keene. Bill had old draft language, and none of the changes requested by the board. At the time there was no bill number, supporters and there are first take concerns. Executive Board of Directors not taking a stand on the bill currently. Summary needs to be changed, and specific wording needs to be changed. The new language needs to be forwarded to make the bill better.
- **10.** BJ stated that anyone can speak or testify at any of these hearings. Pat has spoken at hearings. She stated that you add your name to the list and person will be called up. When speaking you should be brief. The Chair has the ability to give you more time.
- **b. Training Committee** Natalie (chair) reporting: **February 16, 2023 General Meeting**
 - **1.** Joe Doiron, Director of Workforce Development, NH Department of Business & Economic Affairs will be speaking about Workforce Recruitment and Training Opportunities. Will be discussing collaboration with municipal welfare, recruiting, training and workforce opportunities in NH.
 - 2. NHLWAA General Meeting/Election of Board Members
 - **3. Lynn Greenleaf Lippitt, Director Housing Services, NH Housing and Betsey Andrews-Parker, CEO, Community Action Partnership of Strafford County** will be giving an overview and most recent status of ERAP & ETH, including motel/hotel assistance & forward NH Housing and Community Actions collaborative planning with municipal welfare efforts.
- **c. Survey Ad Hoc Committee**: Lynne (chair reporting: The survey has not been tested yet. Will hopefully be able to roll it out soon.
- **d, Financial Oversight Committee** Charlene and Pat are on the committee. Question came up if Charlene should be on the committee, being the treasurer. It was determined that Charlene should be on this committee. Charlene will be sending out bank statements.
- **e. Other:** Pat wanted to discuss the court injunction against the Town of Strafford who could not help those in motels more than one week due to a town ordinance. Town of Strafford is using Guidelines from 2001. Court filing against the Town of Strafford. They are asking Strafford to pay hotel costs. Todd did reach out with the welfare director from Strafford.

Motion to Adjourn made by Pat and seconded by BJ. Meeting Adjourned