# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH VIA VIDEO AND TELECONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 17, 2020 AT 12:00 PM

The Board of Commissioners for the Housing Authority of East Baton Rouge Parish convened in Regular Session on Thursday, September 17, 2020 at 12:00 pm via video and teleconference meeting.

**Meeting Called to Order** 

Commissioner Al Barron, Vice-Chair

Invocation

**Commissioner Chris Brown** 

**Roll Call:** 

**Members Present:** 

Commissioner Dianna Payton, Chair

Commissioner Al Barron, Vice-Chair

Commissioner Philip Smith, Jr., Second Vice-Chair

Commissioner Tyra Banks Commissioner Chris Brown Commissioner Lynn Farris Commissioner Justin Gaudet

Members Absent:

N/A

**QUORUM PRESENT** 

### **Public Comments**

Commissioner Payton asked if there were any public comments. None were voiced. Public comment period was closed.

### AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 1:

CERTIFICATION OF INABILTY TO OPERATE DUE TO LACK OF QUORUM

No action taken for this item.

### **AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 2:**

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH HOUSING AUTHORITY HELD JULY 23, 2020

Motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on July 23, 2020 and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. No abstentions or oppositions were noted. No further discussion was made.

### **MOTION PASSED**

### **AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 3:**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – OATH OF OFFICE: MRS. SHAILINDRA LYNN FARRIS** 

Mr. DeCuir performed the oath of office for Mrs. Shailindra Lynn Farris.

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 4: FY 2021 OPERATING BUDGET RESOLUTION NO. 2020-22

Ms. Bayham presented the item.

Motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve and Commissioner Banks seconded the motion.

#### MOTION PASSED

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 5:
FY 2021 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER (HCV) / PROJECT- BASED VOUCHERS (PBV)\_
PAYMENT STANDARDS
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-23

Mr. Daniels presented this item.

Motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion.

### AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 6:

COVID – 19 POLICY WAIVERS (REVISION: UTILITY ALLOWANCES) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-24

Ms. Bayham presented this item.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve and Commissioner Brown seconded the motion.

### **MOTION PASSED**

Mission Statement

To provide and develop quality affordable housing opportunities for individuals and families while promoting selfsufficiency and neighborhood revitalization

## AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 7: PUBLIC HOUSING LAWN SERVICE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-25

Ms. Bayham presented this item.

Motion was made by Commissioner Banks to approve and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion.

MOTION PASSED

### AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 8: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

Mr. Daniels presented this item.

Mr. Daniels asked the Board of Commissioners to allow the CEO authority to negotiate and execute an intergovernmental agreement or cooperative endeavor agreement with Lake Charles Housing Authority (LCHA) and/or the City of Lake Charles to assist with disaster recovery efforts from Hurricane Laura. Motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve and Commissioner Barron seconded the motion.

### AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 9: DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

### A. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORT

This report was not addressed.

### **B. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS & REPORTS**

Ms. Bayham presented this item.

### C. HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM

This report was not addressed.

### D. PUBLIC HOUSING

Ms. Bayham presented this item.

### **E. CAPITAL FUND PROGRAM**

This report was not addressed.

F. HUMAN RESOURCES
Ms. Bayham presented this item.
AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 10:
BR CHOICE NEIGHBORHOOD REPORT
Ms. Janelle Brown presented the report.
AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 11:
PARTNERS SOUTHEAST COO REPORT
Mr. Summers presented this item.
This concluded the presentation of the departmental reports.
AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 12:
NEW BUSINESS
No new business was addressed.
AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 13:
ADJOURNMENT
MEETING ADJOURNED
APPROVED:

Dianna Payton
Chairman
East Baton Rouge Parish Housing Authority

J. Wesley Daniels, Jr.
Secretary/Chief Executive Officer
East Baton Rouge Parish Housing Authority