

**AMHERST HOUSING AUTHORITY**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**MONDAY JULY 27, 2009**  
**JEAN ELDER COMMUNITY ROOM**  
**9 CHESTNUT STREET AMHERST, MA**

Members of the Amherst Housing Authority met in regular session on Monday July 27, 2009 in the community room of Jean Elder House, 9 Chestnut Street, Amherst, MA. The Vice Chair, J. Haggerty, called to meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

**PRESENT:** J. Brooks, J. Haggerty, J. Logan, R. Phillips

**ABSENT:** P. Jessop

**ALSO PRESENT:** D. Crabtree

**AGENDA ADOPTION/CHANGES:** Upon motion of J. Brooks, seconded by R. Phillips, it was voted to adopt the agenda.

**MINUTES APPROVAL:** Upon motion of J. Brooks, seconded by R. Phillips, it was voted to approve the minutes of June 29, 2009.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:** Upon motion of J. Brooks, seconded by R. Phillips, it was voted to defer approval of accounts payable until the next regular meeting.

**TENANT CONCERNS: Ann Whalen Apartments:** J. Haggerty informed members that the proposal for funds from Highland Valley Elder services was submitted earlier in the month. **Section 8 Voucher holder:** A couple of members have received phone calls from a Section 8 voucher holder and from Representative Story concerning the matter. D. Crabtree will call Representative Story. **Robert Phillips, Governor's Appointee:** R. Phillips announced that he is resigning from the Board effective July 31, 2009; he will be going to school in Washington D. C. Members thanked him for his service and wished him well in his new endeavors. **Schiffer home:** Members agreed to visit the Schiffer home and gardens in August.

**AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT WORK PLAN #1015:** J. Brooks moved to approve Amendment #1 with an increase of \$3,330.00 to the Capital Improvement Work Plan #1015. R. Phillips seconded the motion which, upon roll call, was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

**FEDERALIZATION OF STATE-AIDED HOUSING UNITS:** Members reviewed a memo from D. Crabtree concerning the potential of federalizing state aided housing units using federal stimulus funding. Crabtree will continue to explore this option for the 705 family housing developments and for 667-2 Ann Whalen Apartments.

**ADJOURN:** Upon motion by R. Phillips, seconded by J. Brooks it was voted to adjourn the meeting until Monday August 24, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. in the community room of Ann Whalen Apartments, 33 Kellogg Ave., Amherst, MA.