

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TRUCKEE TAHOE WORKFORCE HOUSING AGENCY

August 19, 2020, 8:30am

1. CALL TO ORDER: 8:32am

Directors Present: Harry Weis, Tahoe Forest Health System
Carmen Ghysels, Tahoe Truckee Unified School District
Kevin Smith, Truckee Tahoe Airport District
Steven Poncelet, Truckee Donner Public Utility District

Also Present: Emily Vitas, Executive Director
Ted Owens, Tahoe Forest Hospital District
Rem Scherzinger, Truckee Donner Public Utility District
Sean Holmes, Truckee Tahoe Airport District

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was made.

3. WELCOME AND ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE TO DIRECTOR GHYSELS

The Oath of Office was administered by Emily Vitas, Executive Director and Board Clerk. Due to COVID-19 changes to the Brown Act allowing for telephonic meeting attendance, Directors not physically present will provide Executive Director notarized documentation of the Oath of Office for the record.

4. CONSENT ITEMS

- a. Approve Minutes of the June 17, 2020 Meeting
- b. Approve July Financials
Motion to approve made by Director Smith. Seconded by Director Ghysels.
Ayes: Smith, Ghysels, Weis, Poncelet
Noes: None

5. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- a. TTWHA Housing Programs
Ms. Vitas provided an update on the Employee Housing Needs Study and the Housing Match Program with Landing Locals.
- b. Executive Director Report
 - i. Agency Operations
Ms. Vitas updated the board on annual work plan progress, the agency's new logo, and the agency website design.
 - ii. Community Engagement
Ms. Vitas updated the board on engagement efforts with community group and members, and local housing developers.
 - iii. Regional Housing Update
Ms. Vitas updated the board on housing efforts made by Town of Truckee, Placer County, and the Mountain Housing Council of Tahoe Truckee.

6. ITEMS FOR BOARD DISCUSSION

- a. Advocacy Requests and Development of an Agency Advocacy Policy
Board discussed ensued. The board will review a draft advocacy policy at the September 16, 2020 board meeting.
No vote / motion required – the item and discussion was informational only.

7. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

- a. Discussion and Possible Action on a Partnership with Daniel Fraiman Construction for the Hopkins Ranch Village Housing Project
The board agreed that there is interest in learning more about the project and how we may partner.
A motion was made by Director Smith for Ms. Vitas to continue discussions with the developer, with the goal of developing a draft agreement for board review at the September 16, 2020 board meeting. The agreement should not include any financial commitments by the Agency. Motion seconded by Director Poncelet.
Ayes: Smith, Ghysels, Weis, Poncelet
Noes: None

8. DIRECTOR COMMENTS

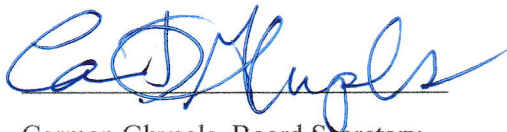
- a. Director Smith posed a question around how the Agency can find housing for employees without them having to compete in the open market. With high competition to purchase and rent, it is becoming even more difficult that it was to secure housing in Truckee-Tahoe.

9. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn was made by Director Poncelet. Seconded by Director Smith.
The board adjourned at 9:55am.



Harry Weis, Board Chair



Carmen Ghysels, Board Secretary