

# Housing Authority of the City of Ansonia

## Special Meeting Minutes

### Monday March 5, 2018

The *Special Meeting* of the Housing Authority of the City of Ansonia was called to order at **6:00 PM** on **March 5, 2018** by Chairman Joseph Pinto at the main office located at 36 Main Street, Ansonia, CT.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Roll Call by Executive Director Steven Nakano:** Joseph Pinto - Chairman, James Prestiano – Commissioner.

Wilson Lopez – Vice Chairman and Samuel Levey-Commissioner absent.

Matthew Scarpa- Commissioner, will be arriving late.

Chairman Pinto stated we are short of a quorum, so we will open the meeting up to the public.

#### **Public Session:**

Chairman Joseph Pinto opened the public session.

Mr. Pinto asked three times if anyone from the public wishes to address the Ansonia Housing Authority Board of Commissioners. Hearing none the public session was closed.

The meeting will be in recess at 6:01 PM and will reconvene at 6:15 PM when Commissioner Scarpa arrives.

Commissioner Scarpa arrived at 6:15 PM, there is a quorum now to begin the meeting.



#### **Executive Session:**

Pursuant to Section 1-200 (6) (A) of the Connecticut General Statutes there will be an executive session to discuss a personnel/union matter.

- **Motion to go into Executive Session at 6:15 pm and to invite all Commissioners, Executive Director Steve Nakano, Legal Counsel Chris Sugar as well as any representatives from the employee’s union as well as any employees that wish to attend.**

**Motion** by Commissioner, James Prestiano. **Second** by Commissioner, Matthew Scarpa. **All in Favor.** Motion passes unanimously.

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**The Board came out of Executive Session at 6:47 p.m.**

The Board discussed with Counsel the two grievances that were presented. Chairman Pinto stated that they agree in principal with the first grievance. However, at this point the first grievance is incombered by the second grievance with a similar scenario. He explained that the second grievance is basically asking for remedies for the same issue going back in some cases thirty-five years. The Board does not agree with the class action grievance. The reason being Article 9, Section 9 that a grievance must be filed no later than 10 working days after the time that an employer or union knew or should have known given facts to the rights of the grievance. The Board does not feel that it is an arguable point.

Chairman Pinto questioned if the union would be willing to make a statement that would possibly allow the Board the accept the first grievance and decline the second grievance.

The Union representative answered no they would not be interested.

- **Motion to decline both grievances and refer both to an arbitrator.**

**Motion** by Commissioner, Matthew Scarpa. **Second** by Commissioner, James Prestiano. **All in Favor**. Motion passes unanimously.

**Adjournment:**

- **Motion to adjourn at 6:49 PM.**

**Motion** by Commissioner, James Prestiano. **Second** by Commissioner, Matthew Scarpa. **All in Favor**. Motion passes unanimously.

\*These minutes are subject to the approval of the Housing Authority of the City of Ansonia at their next scheduled meeting.