Minutes of the HOME Board Meeting April 17, 2025

Members Present:

Kris Deiss, Christine Howard, John Kannard, Duane Paulson, Kathleen Schilling,

Jay Schreurs, Maria Watts

Staff:

Kristin Silva, Christina Brockish, Debbie Narus

Absent:

Mark Groose

Guests:

Roxanne Whitte, Jefferson County; Melissa Songco, Brett Peloquin, Habitat for

Humanity; Melissa Mailloux, Mosaic Community Planning

- 1. The meeting was called to order via Teams by Christine Howard, Chairperson, with a quorum of the Board present at 10:00 am via Microsoft Teams Meeting 414-435-2078 Conference ID# 502 032 77.
- 2. The Board Chair led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. On a motion by John Kannard and seconded by Kathleen Schilling the minutes from January 16, 2025, HOME Board meeting minutes were unanimously approved.
- 4. No public comments. Staff comment Congress has not passed the budget for 2025 but we are allowed to publish the draft 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan with an estimated budget, if contingency language is included that describes how the budget will be adjusted. Russ Kutz and Jay Shambeau have recently resigned from the HOME Board. We need new HOME Board members, 2 for Jefferson County and 1 for Washington County.
- 5. Kristin Silva presented the updated Financial Status report.
- 6. On a motion by John Kannard and seconded by Kathleen Schilling, the request to move \$6,000 from 2024 HOME Rehab to the 2024 Purchase Rehab program budget was unanimously approved.
- 7. Melissa Songco from Habitat for Humanity presented the application for Habitat for Humanity College Park in Watertown. On a motion by Duane Paulson and seconded by John Kannard, the motion to move the application to the HOME Executive Committee was unanimously approved.
- 8. Melissa Mailloux from Mosaic Community Planning reviewed the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan. The number of renters in the community went up while the number of homeowners went down. Affordable housing is harder to find right now and a good time to support projects like Habitat for Humanity. On a motion by Duane Paulson and seconded by Jay Schreurs, the draft 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan was approved to be placed for the 30-day public comment period. The motion was unanimously approved.

- 9. Jay Schreurs asked for an update on the application submitted by Cherryfaithproperties, LLC. Kristin said that the Executive Committee met and decided that the application review is on hold right now until we get more information from him about approval from two other jurisdictions that he is currently working with.
- 10. On a motion by Jay Schreurs and seconded by John Kannard, the meeting was adjourned at 10:31 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Artstine M. Howard