

**EAST HAVEN URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**SEPTEMBER 3, 2008  
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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Commissioner Midolo  
Commissioner Fucci  
Commissioner Sparaco

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Sarah Morrill, CDC

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Commissioner Lynn  
Chairman Moscato

Vice-Chairman Fucci called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. Roll was called and a quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Midolo made a motion to table the minutes of the July meeting seeing there aren't enough members that were present at the meeting in attendance tonight to approve.

Commissioner Sparaco seconded. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Paul Hongo was not in attendance tonight so there is no Director's Report.

**SMALL CITIES PROGRAM**

CDC Morrill informed everyone that Chairman Moscato has taken a teaching position at Gateway and his classes are on Mondays and Wednesdays. He asked if there was a possibility of changing the meeting dates. Commissioner Sparaco made a **MOTION** to temporarily move the meetings to the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month until January 2009. Commissioner Midolo seconded. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained. **MOTION CARRIED**

CDC Morrill then told the commission that she has a seminar being run on September 17 in conjunction with Safe Homes, Inc. Yale and the LAMPP program, for Lead training. It is to become aware of safe practices of lead **NOT** abatement. It's an all day affair at the Old Stone Church and there will be breakfast and lunch served, as well as receiving a certificate that states you completed the training. If you are interested, please let Sarah know.

There is a new applicant: Pisaturo-80 Pleasant Avenue. It is a very old farmhouse and there is a family of 5 including 3 kids, one of which is handicapped. There is a lot of work that needs to be done in the home. Cost estimates came in at \$39,250.00. That doesn't include lead and or asbestos testing and abatement seeing the home was built in 1921 and must be tested for both. There is a loan to ratio value of 83% and CDC Morrill doesn't usually recommend more than 70%. After a lengthy discussion as to what was being requested by the homeowners, **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Sparaco and seconded by Commissioner Midolo to go ahead with the priority items and code/safety issues first before anything else is done. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained. **MOTION CARRIED**

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**BILLS**

None

**OTHER BUSINESS**

CDC Morrill stated that she has not yet received the bank statement as of this date and will bring it to the next scheduled meeting. She has brought the copies of the drawdown requests from the State. There were some projects that came up before she received the drawdown, so some project bills were paid out of the 94 Small Cities account which is the account that monies go back into when homeowners pay off their loan. CDC Morrill showed all the paperwork that went with those invoices.

Commissioner Midolo then stated to the commission that he has gone to the last few Town Council meetings and heard that they approved an application for a STEAP grant for the Town. He had a question that if the Town received that grant status, what would happen to the Small Cities grant as he had thought you couldn't have both. After contacting Larry Lusardi, who is an ED with the DECD, he was told that the Town could have both, but the letter that was read at the Town Council meeting stated they couldn't. That letter came from the Office of Legislative Research. After much discussion, it was determined that CDC Morrill will have Paul Hongo, Jr. get a reading as to this issue and get something in writing from DECD so the commission knows for sure which to be true. Commissioner Midolo expressed his concern about the Small Cities Program having to end if the Town could not do both and the Administration chose to go with the STEAP Grant, and leaving the residents here in Town that the program helped for many years in a lurch. Commissioner Fucci stated that the commission leave that alone and wait to be told what to do when a decision is made. Commissioner Sparaco agreed.

There being no further business to come before the commission, **MOTION** made by Commissioner Lynn and seconded by Commissioner Midolo to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 pm. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained. **MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda S. LaLuna  
Clerk