NROC Board Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2020, 7pm

This meeting of the NROC board of directors was a telephonic meeting (conference call). This meeting was to bring all directors up to date about how Northgate was doing during COVID19.

Directors Present: Almir Salkic, Brian Pine, Don Curtis, Erhard Mahnke, Erin McSweeney, Lois Griffin, Margaret Richards, Shellie Spaulding, Ted Wimpey, Tim Moran

Directors Absent: Brenda Torpy, Don Lyons, Linda Romeo

Staff Present: Anna Hermann, Donna Chagnon, Kathy Luce, Sara Noth, Carol Jaramillo

Kathy Luce gave an update about the financial fitness of Northgate. There is no major impact; this could change in May or June. Subsidies are continuing with Section 8. MPI has applied for the PPP (Payroll Protection Program) and a memo has gone out to all board members from Janet Frazier.

Question, Erhard: Some folks have lost income, work hours; will we help negotiate unemployment insurance.

Answer, Donna: Yes, anyone who needs help will get it.

Donna Chagnon gave an update about how MPI is at work during this crisis. The maintenance staff is doing outside landscaping work. No staff is entering units. MPI is using contractors to enter units and only emergency work orders are being done. The office staff is working from home. The office phone is being forwarded to whomever is working phones that day. Outside siding will be starting this year. Doors will not go in due to the staff having to enter residents' units.

Comment, Erhard: Annual Recertifications; requirements waive with HUD-have to the end of the year to complete.

Answer, Sara and Donna: Recertifications are being done, just not face to face.

Carol Jaramillo gave a report for Community Building. Programs and events, including the annual meeting have been cancelled. The director elections will take place through mail. Student and AMD awards will be sent out through the mail this summer. Resources and informational sources are being placed on Face Book and some are sent out through phone blasts.

Carol and Leean made calls to residents who were either alone or who may have seemed overwhelmed. Leean, Brian and Brien delivered food pantry items to over 50 households.

Carol will be pondering how to build community remotely.

Comment, Don Curtis: Don reported that there was a dog attack upon another dog at Northgate. Both were assistance animals of two Northgate households. Donna was going to connect with both households.

The next meeting is May 26, 2020 at 6 pm by Zoom and by phone for those who do not have access to a computer.