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Brooklyn Housing Authority – Minutes for Wednesday, September 19, 2018
10:00am at the Brooklyn Community Center

1) Roll Call – Bruce Parsons called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

Members Present:

Chairman	Bruce Parsons
Vice Chairman	Paul Phaiah
Member	Donald Francis

Others Present:

PHA Executive Director	Kathy Carter
PHA Business Manager	Sarah Schoppe
PHA Property Manager	Linda Laflamme
Recording Secretary	April Lamothe

Absent with Notice:

Treasurer	Aida Bissonnette
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2) Reading and Approval of minutes: Donald Francis made a motion to accept the minutes from May 16, 2018. Paul Phaiah seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

3) New Business

- **a) HUD Rental Assistance Demonstration:** Kathy Carter reported that HUD will be getting out of public housing; instead they are focusing on multifamily, Section 8 housing and having non-profits, along with housing authorities. She also mentioned the Section 18 Blend Program which would allow housing authorities with less than 50 units to sell them and the tenants would get TPVs (Tenant Protection Vouchers) which would allow them affordable housing. She also said that HUD would like towns to merge housing authorities, which would allow tenants to have more vouchers and places to live. Kathy Carter sent in the initial application for RAD in May and in July it was approved, but they must wait for the final contract approval.
 - Bruce Parsons asked Kathy Carter if Putnam would be interested in taking the eleven units. Kathy Carter said that it makes sense due to the cost of running the eleven units. She would suggest moving a couple of members to the Putnam Housing Authority.
 - Donald Francis mentioned that they need to watch the amount of affordable housing in Town, since as the population in Town increases, the affordable house amount needs to increase. He mentioned looking into private developers, with restrictions that the building would have to be affordable housing.
 - Donald Francis made a motion to merge the eleven units with Putnam. Paul Phaiah seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.
 - ◆ Kathy Carter will notify HUD of the merger and will keep the Board updated on RAD.

- ◆ Paul Phaiah made a motion to assign Bruce Parsons to represent the Brooklyn Housing Authority at the Putnam Housing Authority meetings. Donald Francis seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.
- Kathy Carter said that the Putnam Housing Authority meets every other month on the third Tuesday at 6pm. The Brooklyn Housing Authority will meet when they are needed.

4) Other Business: None

5) Public Comment: None

6) Adjourn: Paul Phaiah made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:21am. Donald Francis seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
April Lamothe
Recording Secretary