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Brooklyn Housing Authority – Special Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, January 16, 2019
10:00am at the Brooklyn Community Center

1) Roll Call – Bruce Parsons called the meeting to order at 10:05am.

Members Present:

Chairman	Bruce Parsons
Vice Chairman	Paul Phaiah
Treasurer	Aida Bissonnette

Others Present:

PHA Business Manager	Sarah Schoppe
Recording Secretary	April Lamothe
Public	Aaron Kerouac

Absent (without notice):

Member	Donald Francis
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2) Reading and Approval of minutes: Aida Bissonnette made a motion to accept the minutes from September 19, 2018. Paul Phaiah seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

3) Election of Officials: Aida Bissonnette made a motion to keep the slate as is. Paul Phaiah seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

4) 2019 Meeting Dates: Aida Bissonnette made a motion to accept the 2019 meeting dates as presented. Paul Phaiah seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

5) Other Business: Sarah Schoppe had a write off for Upper Village in the amount of \$291.70. Aida Bissonnette made a motion to write off \$291.70. Paul Phaiah seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

6) Public Comment: Aaron Kerouac asked about the sale of the community center and the merging of housing authorities and if they can be undone. Sarah Schoppe responded that since there are only eleven units at Upper Village, it makes financial sense to merge with the Putnam Housing Authority. Aaron Kerouac also asked about the amount of affordable housing in Town. Bruce Parson mentioned that the State and Federal Governments are not releasing any funds to develop any more affordable housing own and operated by a housing authority, which has led to issues of affordable housing. Aaron Kerouac asked when the decision about the sale of the community center would be decided. Sarah Schoppe said that they were waiting to have a conversation with Rick Ives. Aaron Kerouac mentioned that at last night's Planning and Zoning meeting, they were looking into the purchase of the community center, but one person on the Commission questioned what they were getting into. Bruce Parsons said that the Board of Selectmen must approve of the sale, then the sale would to a Town Meeting.

- Paul Phaiah mentioned that the Authority will need to find a replacement for him soon. Bruce Parsons said that he would mention needing new members to Rick Ives.

- 7) **Adjournment:** Aida Bissonnette made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:25am. Paul Phaiah seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
April Lamothe
Recording Secretary

2019 Housing Authority Meeting Dates

January 16
March 20
May 15
July 17
September 18
November 20