

Sharon Housing Authority
Special Meeting January 25, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 5 pm. by Chairman Hosier. Present were Chairman Dave Hosier, Assistant Chair Meg Szalewicz, Treasurer Pat Whelan, Assistant Treasurer Bill Manassee and Secretary Jeanette Moss. Also in attendance was Cornwall Plumbing and Heating, Joey Rogers and Grant consultant David Berto.

The meeting was called to discuss options with David Berto and Joey Rogers concerning the ongoing issues with the geo thermal units at the Sharon Ridge expansion.

Meg Szalewicz asked David Berto about State Sponsored Housing Portfolio (SSHP). He will investigate if we are part of that organization. If so that will mean more funding.

Mr. Berto explained that he had received the utility bill information from CREM and had created a spread sheet of the expansion to compare the bills. He gathered that 16 D, 16 B, 16 A, 4D and 2C had higher than average utility bills. Apartments 4 C and 16 C had lower than average utility bills. We determined this was due to the difference in lifestyle. He added that hot water costs are average. Hot water was switched to standard in late 2016.

The expansion is funded with rents and subsidies. Mr. Berto explained that with education of tenants on how to manage the use of utilities properly, some of that subsidy could be saved and used for operational costs.

Joey Rogers remarked that none of the initial problems associated with the poor installation have been solved, but most tenants have had no problems. He has finished the maintenance of the heating systems on all apartments. He added there is still a problem with some tenants making and breaking appointments, and not allowing entrance. Discussion of how to enter apartments so that repairs can be made was discussed.

Joey states that all though at this time, with maintenance the system is working, there is leaks in the pressure and in his opinion it ultimately should be replaced.

CHP will send David Berto the original estimate of replacement with pictures and explanation of why he recommends replacement. We will meet again in about six weeks to discuss ongoing options.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45.

Submitted by Pat Whelan

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