

# Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board **NOTES**

January 7, 2022 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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# **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Eva Alvarez Adam Dietrich Trever Meachum Mark Miezio

Craig Anderson Bill Groenink Dorian Slaybod Jesse Costilla Joann Hoganson Beth VanDrie

## **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Francisco Posada Jose Roman-Mota Ann Marie Rocha

**GUESTS:** 

Gerardo Aranda Audra Fuentes Sheila McCulloch Ben Tirrell

Ashley Batteen Majed Ghussaini Gary McDowell Dale Freeman Jim Johnson Mark Swartz

# **NOTE TAKER:**

Sheila McCulloch

## Call to Order

Migrant Labor Advisory Board Chair Joann Hoganson called the Board to order at 1:02 p.m. with a quorum present.

#### <u>Roll Call</u>

Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board Chair Joann Hoganson conducted a members roll call, noted above.

#### Welcome

Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board Chair Joann Hoganson welcomed members and guests.

#### Additions to the Agenda

Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board Chair Joann Hoganson called for additional agenda items to consider. No additional agenda items were submitted.

## Motion to Approve- Joann Hoganson; Motion Second - Craig Anderson

Migrant Labor Advisory Board Chair Joann Hoganson motioned to approve the agenda, as presented. The motion was seconded by Craig Anderson.

#### **Motion Carried:**

The motion carried unanimously. All members were in favor, none opposed or abstained from the vote.

## **Housing Investment Recommendation - Update**

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MDARD Director McDowell acknowledged receipt of the MLH Advisory Board Housing Investment Recommendation, submitted on December 22, 2021. The department is holding the recommendation until the full Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board Report with all recommendations are submitted which is anticipated to be received late February 2022. The Director advised the Board the American Rescue Plan Act Funding request to the Governor will not be in jeopardy during the interim.

## **Define/Clarify Draft MLH Advisory Board Recommendations**

MLH Advisory Board members worked on defining the remaining recommendation statements and clarifying metrics and milestones for each statement for the full report of recommendations.

# <u>Motion to Approve – Dorian Slaybod; Motion Second – Craig Anderson</u>

Motion to establish the first recommendation as part one of a series of recommendations to formalize into a complete report, including footnotes and context, for MDARD's approval.

## Motion Carried:

The motion carried unanimously. All members were in favor, none opposed or abstained from the vote.

## Motion to Approve – Dorian Slaybod; Motion Second – Jessy Costilla

Motion to expand rural broadband access to reach migrant labor housing locations.

## Motion Carried:

The motion carried unanimously. All members were in favor, none opposed or abstained from the vote.

#### **Public Comment**

Dale Freeman addressed how to use the selection criteria and supplement questions can be used to increase hiring Spanish speaking workers.

## **Round Robin**

Trevor Meachum voiced disappointment with MDARD Director McDowell's decision not to move the Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board Housing Investment recommendation submitted on December 22, 2022.

Craig Anderson suggests the team review the recommendations before the next meeting to determine recommendation priorities. Dorian Slaybod suggests limiting recommendations to no more than ten.

Trevor Meachum would like a MDARD liaison, representing the Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board, at the Office of Rural Development Roundtable meetings.

## <u>Adjournment</u>

<u>Motion to Adjourn – Craig, Motion Second – Jessy Costilla</u> motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jessy Costilla.

#### Motion Carried:

The motion carried unanimously. All members were in favor, none opposed or abstained from the vote.

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The Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

The next Migrant Labor Housing Advisory Board Meeting is scheduled on Friday, January 21, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.