

**WATERTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY
1091 Buckingham Street
Watertown, Ct 06795**

**Special Meeting
Wednesday, February 22, 2023
10:00 A.M.**

MINUTES

A special meeting was held by the Housing Authority on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 via zoom – 10:00 A.M.

Chair Janelle Wilk called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m.

1. Roll Call

Members Present: Janelle Wilk – Chairwoman
Dan DiVito – Vice Chairman
Sharon Pratt – Resident Commissioner

Absent: Denise Russ – Commissioner
Carmine Verno – Commissioner

Others Present: Lori Finke, Property Manager

2. New Business

a. Discussion and possible action on price for Energy/Utility Allowance

Janelle Wilk thanked Sharon Pratt for bringing up the energy/utility allowance at the last meeting where it has been 50 and 55 for many years.

Sharon Pratt stated it helps out the existing tenants and possible new tenants who are waiting to get into the surrounding areas which are 30 percent of total income all-inclusive which means they don't have to pay for the heat and lights. We have lost tenants who are going to other places where it is inclusive. This is a twofold purpose having to help the existing tenants who are living here and giving an incentive for people who won't move out for the 30 percent all inclusive.

Dan DiVito asked how the allowance is paid out.

Janelle Wilk answered it is every month year around.

Janelle Wilk stated we can start at 60 and 65 and then in the future we can think of other ways for incentives.

A motion was made by Dan DiVito and seconded by Sharon Pratt to adjust the utility allowance from 50 and 55 to 60 and 65.

By voice vote the motion was passed unanimously

Janelle Wilk we will now have our utility allowance go from 50 and 55 to 60 and 65.

3. Adjournment

A motion was made by Dan DiVito and seconded by Sharon Pratt to adjourn meeting at 10:34 p.m.

By voice vote the motion was passed unanimously

Janelle Wilk
Watertown Housing Authority