

**Business Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
August 6, 2026**

Commission Members Present: David Anderson, Gwendolyn Hooker, and Daneshia Moore (present at 4:41pm).

Commission Members Absent: Coty Dunten

Kalamazoo County Commissioner Present: None

Kalamazoo County Staff Present: Mary Balkema

Administrative Service Provider and Recording Secretary Present: Holly Dean and Erica Patton

Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at the Kalamazoo County Building, Board Chambers, 201 West Kalamazoo Avenue by Acting President Hooker at 4:42pm. Patton conducted the roll call.

Approve Meeting Agenda

The meeting agenda was approved as submitted.

Motion by Anderson

Support by Moore

Motion approved

Approve Minutes of the April 2, 2026 Meeting

Hooker asked for approval of the meeting minutes from April 2, 2026. The minutes were approved as submitted.

Motion by Anderson

Support by Moore

Motion approved

Public Comment on Agenda Items and Non-Agenda Items

None

Reports

Financial Reports

The financial reports for April, May, June, and July were distributed prior to the meeting and were summarized by Patton. Patton will investigate the “Discount on Note Receivable” line in the July reports. A motion was made to accept the financial reports as submitted.

Motion by Anderson

Support by Moore

Motion approved

Bethany House – A written report of activity was distributed prior to the meeting. Patton will email the requested estimate to the Board.

Veterans Initiative – A written report of activity was distributed prior to the meeting.

Hays Park – A written report of activity was distributed prior to the meeting.

Sugarloaf – A written report of activity was distributed prior to the meeting with an additional report distributed at the meeting.

Old Business

Liability Insurance Bethany House, FUSE, and Keystone – Anderson and Acting President Hooker agreed to table this to next month's meeting.

Future of Hays Park homes – A discussion took place amongst the Board and several ideas were considered. Hooker will reach out to the Fair Housing Center and will also reach out to Twala Lockett-Jones of Lockett-Jones Realty Group.

Update on open seat – Patton informed the Board there are a couple of interviews in progress.

New Business

Sugarloaf rent increase for tenant renewals – A discussion took place amongst the Board. Hooker and the Board decided that rental rates would stay the same for the tenants whose current leases were ending. The Board wanted to add the topic about housing assistance and vouchers for next month's new business.

Sugarloaf Contract Renewal/Revisions – A discussion took place amongst the Board. Hooker confirmed the current funding will end on 8/31/26.

Amendment/Addendum to contract between HOPE thru Navigation and KCPHC - A discussion took place amongst the Board and Balkema regarding the Kalamazoo County Portal. Balkema suggested the Board apply for funding through the Portal and pay HOPE thru Navigation for services. Balkema stated the Portal opens on 9/21/26 and will be open for 4 weeks. Hooker will red line the existing contract and send it to Corporate Counsel for review.

Adding a finance subcommittee – Anderson and Hooker agreed to roll this item into the next meeting under "Old Business."

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

None



**Kalamazoo County
Public Housing Commission**

Commissioner Member Comments

None

Meeting Adjourned: 5:50pm
Submitted by: Holly Dean

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