



**TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD
FAIR RENT COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
February 29, 2024 at 6:30 PM
West Hartford Town Hall Room 314**

I. Meeting Opening

- A. Call to Order: Chair Nastajha Ortiz welcomed everyone and started the meeting at 6:32 pm.
- B. Roll Call: Secretary Kyle Zelazny conducted roll call.
Present: Commissioners Alexis Safo-Agymen, Nichole Berklas, Venica Blythe, Nastajha Ortiz, Ashley Rigby, Bruce Wittchen, and Kyle Zelazny.
A quorum of members present.
- C. Approval of Minutes from January 17, 2024 Meeting
Secretary Zelazny notes a correction in the minutes from January 17, 2024 in Section II. B.(c) in which it should state "roll call for Kyle Zelazny for Secretary" not "roll call for Kyle Zelazny for Vice Chair." No other corrections noted.
Motion made to approve the minutes with the correction noted by Secretary Zelazny by: Nastajha Ortiz
Motion seconded by: Nichole Berklas
Vote: Motion passes unanimously

II. New Business

- A. Explanation of Administrative Hearing Guidelines

Chair Ortiz advised that everyone was present for the purpose of holding a hearing. Complainant was present and Counsel for Respondent was present. The court reporter was present. Chair Ortiz noted that the parties were notified of the hearing via regular and certified mail and went over the hearing procedures.

B. Case #2024-02, Little v. Lexington WHP Partners, LLC

Counsel for Respondent, Attorney Robert Chesson renews his motion for continuance that was made on February 21, 2024 and previously denied by the Chair of the Fair Rent Commission, and identifies the grounds for his continuance request.

6:41pm Meeting is recessed in order to allow the Parties to discuss in the hallway.

6:47pm Meeting is reconvened for the purpose of Chair Ortiz advising Parties need additional time to discuss in the hallway. Meeting recessed.

6:54pm Meeting is reconvened. Both Parties are called in front of the Fair Rent Commission and confirm that they have reached a tentative settlement and that they are satisfied with the outcome. Fair Rent Commission meeting is continued pending the Complainant's withdrawal of this matter.

III. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.