HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF SALEM **MEETING MINUTES**

June 27, 2012

The Meeting of the Housing Authority of the City of Salem was held at their Administrative office located at 205 Seventh Street on the above date at 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was opened with a flag salute and a moment of silence.

"The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provision of this Act, the Secretary/Treasurer has caused Notice of this meeting to be published in the Today's Sunbeam and has notified the Salem City Clerk and posted notices of the meeting in the City of Salem Municipal Building and in the front office of the Housing Authority and the reading of this is to be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting."

Commissioners Present:

Melvin Sorrell

Juan Rosario **Tyrus Davis**

Rev. Dr. Holland Fields

June Moore **Evelyn Jones**

Rev. Dr. Elmer Brown

Commissioners Excused:

Richard Robinson – on vacation

Others Present:

Dr. Isaac A. Young, Executive Director

Robert Lanard-Salem City Council Representative Michael Blakely from Fallon & Larsen Auditing Firm

Public Session:

April Frank (84 WSC) was present with her two daughters and her mother along with Teonna Nelson (120 WSC), Lashonda Holmes (122 WSC) and Mrs. Washington, the mother of Charles and Carla Washington, Ms. Frank expressed that she did not need pest extermination at her apartment and that her children's rights were violated by having them sign papers since she was not present. She also stated that repairs in her apartment have been poorly completed and now feels that the Housing Authority is treating all issues concerning to her as "personal" and will not meet without having her attorney present. Lashonda Holmes stated that she was being treated unfairly by having her washing machine removed since other tenants have been allowed to keep their machines. All repairs in her apartment have also been poorly completed and our maintenance workers are working on cars instead of completing apartment repairs. Teonna Nelson, stated that her kitchen floor is rotten and needs replacing and that she received an eviction letter for having dishes in her sink.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fields to close the public session. Commissioner Brown seconded. All Were in favor.

Guest Speaker Presentation Mr. Michael Blakely, an employee from Fallon & Larsen Auditors, provided a brief overview to the Board concerning the outcome of our 2010-2011 HUD Audit.