

**OREGON STATE HOUSING COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Meeting**

Meeting Location:  
Oregon Housing and Community Services  
725 Summer Street NE, Room 124 A/B  
Salem, OR 97301

**9:00 a.m.**  
**April 6, 2012**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

John Epstein, Chair  
Tammy Baney  
Mike Fieldman  
Adolph “Val” Valfre, Jr.  
Jeana Woolley

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

**GUESTS**

John Miller, Oregon ON  
Jan Nordlund, Legislative Committee  
Services  
Marybeth Beal, Habitat for Humanity of  
Oregon  
Ryan Fisher, NW Public Affairs  
Keith Wooden, Housing Works

**STAFF PRESENT**

Margaret S. Van Vliet, Director  
Karen Tolvstad, Policy, Strategy and  
Community Engagement Division Administrator  
Julie Cody, Program Delivery Administrator  
Ben Pray, OHSI  
Natasha Detweiler, Research Analyst  
Betty Markey, Senior Policy Advisor  
Kari Cleveland, Single Family Loan Specialist  
Roberto Franco, Single Family Program Manager  
Lisa Joyce  
Jo Rawlins, Recorder

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Epstein calls the April 6, 2012 meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Chair Epstein asks for roll call. **Present:** Tammy Baney, Mike Fieldman, Adolph “Val” Valfre, Jr., Jeana Woolley and Chair Epstein.
- III. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** John Miller, Executive Director of Oregon ON, comments that Oregon ON is pleased SB 1552 passed. It was a victory they did not expect. It has some things in it they were not prepared for; one of them being the foreclosure counseling piece. Many of their members provide that counseling, and they have seen a roller coaster of funding, with the demand increasing. They have a committee that is working to determine what is needed. Oregon ON is hoping OHCS will be the conduit for this program and that the foreclosure counseling side gets adequate funding.
- IV. **DIRECTOR’S REPORT:** Margaret Van Vliet, Director, reports the following:
  - In the Joint Meeting with CAPO immediately following this meeting, she will talk about the issues that John raised and where the provisions of SB 1552 meet up with the financial expectations.

- Julie Cody joined the agency a couple of weeks ago. The whole Executive Team is now in place and they have a lot of organizational development work to do, clarifying strategic priorities, continuing along the community engagement path, and lining up the work that needs to happen to deliver on the department's mission.
- The Governor's Office has received half a dozen Interest Forms from individuals wanting to serve on Housing Council, and she hopes to meet fairly quickly with the Executive Appointments staff to understand the process they use in making their selections. **Fieldman** suggested it would be good to have balance of membership around the state and balance among the issues that Council deals with in order to get a well-rounded view. **Woolley** pointed out that currently there is no one from Eastern Oregon or the Tribal communities. **Epstein** stressed the importance of having someone with a financial background, since he and Jeana will soon be off of Council. **Baney** said the needs in the Eastern region are so different, and it is important to link general housing with workforce needs. In Baker City jobs are being created with state funds, but the interested workers are from Washington.
- 50 CFC applications have been received.
- The department is gearing up to do budgeting for the 13-15 biennium, and this is where the Governor's 10-Year Plan for Oregon and the five statewide outcomes will come into play. Our budget will be looked at in the context of the Healthy People initiative. There are clear statements in the initiative about the importance of well-located, stable, and healthy housing.

V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. **Chair Epstein** asks if there are any corrections to the March 2, 2012 Minutes. There being no corrections, the Motion was read:

**MOTION: Woolley moves that the Housing Council approve the Minutes of the March 2, 2012 Council meeting.**

**VOTE: In a roll call vote the motion passes. Members Present: Mike Fieldman, Adolph "Val" Valfre, Jr., Jeana Woolley and Chair Epstein. Abstain: Tammy Baney.**

VI. **RESIDENTIAL CONSENT CALENDAR:**

A. *10900 Block SE Lampert Lane, Happy Valley, OR*

B. *400 Block Eagles Wing St NW, Salem, OR*

**Kari Cleveland**, Single Family Loan Specialist, reports that there two FHA insured loans this month, and asks if there are any questions. There being no questions, the Motion was read:

**MOTION: Fieldman moves that the Oregon State Housing Council approve the Consent Calendar.**

**VOTE: In a roll call vote the motion passes. Members Present: Tammy Baney, Mike Fieldman, Adolph "Val" Valfre, Jr., Jeana Woolley and Chair Epstein.**

