

MARQUETTE HOUSING COMMISSION

Board Meeting Minutes

July 15, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 pm.

1. Roll Call

Present: Stark, Agassi, Schumacher, and Maki

Absent: None

2. Approval of Agenda: Motion made by Schumacher, seconded by Agassi, to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of adding to New Business both: d) Resolution 2025-8 and e) Civil Rights Certification. Motion carries.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Agassi, seconded by Schumacher, to approve May 27, 2025, meeting minutes. Motion carries.

4. Public Comment: None

5. Consent Agenda

a. Executive Director's Report

Pine Ridge Marquette:

Vacancies: 0

Project for replacement of tubs to showers has been awarded to First Contracting. No start date. Question asked if multiple bids were obtained. The proposals were offered to the board with the option to view. According to procurement policy, the E.D. may make the final decision without board approval. Asked how long the replacement will take and it is estimated to take about two weeks. Each unit will be done in one day.

Lake Superior Village:

Vacancies: 0

The maintenance position has been filled.

Midway Drive Villas:

Vacancies: 0. An eviction notice has been issued to one of the tenants.

520/522 Fisher Street:

Vacancies: 0

211 Mather:

Vacancies: 0

Comment from board that it is nice to see all the units are full.

Executive Director:

The wage opener has been resolved. Maintenance and Project Manager's

Assistants will be getting a raise. Administration has not been discussed.

WODA, Black Rock Developer, requested use of one of our offices until they can get into the new building. I am currently in negotiations with them.

An all-staff meeting was held at the beginning of June. We discussed the future of the organization and potential role/job description changes.

Attending budget training for MSHDA this month.

Insurance issues with Pelto continue.

Worked with Incredible Bank to renew the security deposit and review interest rates on checking accounts.

Implemented a new software system.

- b. Youth and Family Center Report: N/A
 - c. Financials: Review of CD rates. We will possibly have an accountant who excels at complex accounts, such as ours. Questions concerning the significant changes in the PRM office expenses, rubbish removal, and mortgage amounts. For LSV it was lines 7a and 7g.
 - d. Approval of checks: Only the Susan Hurley check was questioned.
 - e. Cash Positions Statement: The CD is performing very well.
 - f. Pine Ridge: No major changes.
 - g. Lake Superior Village Report: Same.
 - h. Housing Choice Voucher Report: SEMAP indicators are all good. The commissioner likes the percentage of money spent increasing and utilizing all the TYT.
- Motion made by Schumacher, seconded by Agassi, to approve the consent agenda.

6. Communications:

Resolution to Lake State Lawsuit – Good news for closure.

7. Old Business:

- a. Create thriving communities by enriching lives with housing, support, and opportunities.


8. New Business:

- a. New CD: Incredible Bank gave a better percentage than all other banks.
- b. Electric meter quote: Mather – one meter for both units. The panel is loose. Estimate does not include securing the new meter. Not cost effective to install.
- c. City Commission presentation August 25th: Asked if any other estimates obtained and suggested contacting Kupula and Red.
- d. Resolution 2025-8 U.S. Housing Amendment. All acronyms explained. Motion made by Agassi, seconded by Schumacher, to approve Resolution 2025-8.
- e. Civil Rights Certification: Motion made by Schumacher, seconded by Agassi, to approve the Civil Rights Certification. Motion carries unanimously.

9. Public Comment: None

10. Commissioner Comments: Stark- Would like to see an HCV participant on the board. Agassi – Cohesiveness of this board is exceptional. Staff did a great job on the mission statement. Ditto from Stark. Schumacher – Wonderful relief that Lake State issue is done. Appreciates the board packet improvements/changes.

11. Adjournment: The meeting ended at 6:04 pm.



 Signature

8.26.25
 Date