Board of Commissioners Meeting Agendas and Meetings

Notice of Intent to Comply with Disabilities Act

Special Assistance is available for disabled persons addressing the Board of Commissioners. Efforts will be made to provide adaptations or accommodations based on individual needs of qualified individuals with disabilities, provided that notification at least (5) days prior to the date of the meeting has been received by the Authority's Administrative Office. For assistance, please contact the Authority's Administrative Office, 900 Elizabeth Miller Gardens Drive, 540-886-3414.

Meetings

Regular meetings of the Staunton Redevelopment and Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners will convene on the third Tuesday of each month, at 12:00 noon. The Board of Commissioners shall take up the regular agenda and matters on public hearings in the Authority's Administrative Office, 100 Elizabeth Miller Gardens Drive, Staunton, VA 24401. Special meetings may be held, or meeting times may be altered with prior notification to the public. Regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners are formal proceedings. The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to alter the agenda at any time without prior notice.

Guidelines for Citizen Participation

- 1. There is time reserved at every regular meeting of the Commissioners for citizens who would like to speak directly to the Board on public matters that deserve the attention of the Commission. The subject matter being addressed during public comment must be within the jurisdiction of Authority business. Public comment at regular meetings is a limited public forum.
- 2. Sometimes the Board will hold public hearings on matters as required by law. The public can address the Commissions during the public hearing. All comments must relate to public hearing subject matter only. Once the public hearing is closed, no further public comment is permitted.
- 3. The time limit for speakers is three (3) minutes. An individual speaking on behalf of a group will be allowed four (4) minutes provided that no other members of the group speak.
- 4. When called to speak, please begin by stating your name and address for public record.
- 5. Address the Chair directly and not to the audience.
- 6. Any written statements or materials may be filed with the Secretary; however, placards and posters will not be filed with the Commission.

- 7. The Board of Commissioners will try to hear everyone who wishes to speak on a subject, but occasionally discussion is limited because of time. The Board requests that people who wish to speak at a particular meeting sign up in advance by emailing public-comment@stauntonrha.org.
- 8. The Authority strives to provide a high quality of service, in a safe and secure environment. In order to achieve this goal, the following behavior will not be accepted during public comment.
 - a. Behavior that is disruptive and interferes with the process or function of the meeting;
 - b. Harassment or threat of violence toward Commissioners, Authority staff, or members of the public;
 - c. Campaigning for public office;
 - d. Soliciting of funds;
 - e. General announcements; and
 - f. Promoting private business ventures;
- It is appreciated if citizens do not use mobile communication devices, or profanity, or abusing language or jeer, cheer, and/or applaud, as such actions may chill or dissuade other from speaking.
- 10. Please be respectful

Thank you for taking time to participate in your Board of Commissioners meeting. Public comment periods are designed for the citizens to address their concerns to the Board. It is not a question and answer session. The Chair and Commissioners of the Board invite and encourage you to attend whenever possible because good government depends on the interest and involvement of citizens.