



Southwest Tribal Housing Alliance

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

October 9, 2019

Dear SWTHA Members:

Southwest Tribal Housing Alliance (SWTHA) held the Triannual Meeting at Santa Ana Pueblo, NM, on Wednesday, October 9, 2019. Thank you to those that attended.

Board of Directors Meeting: Strategic Planning Session 2020-2021 was conducting during the board meeting. The SWTHA Mission was updated to: “To be the voice for Tribal housing by providing relevant, timely information, resources and a valuable network for the SWTHA membership”. SWTHA’s Strategic Plan can be found at swtha.org.

Lunch Presentation:

- “The Life of a LIHTC Project”, Robin Thorne, RTHawk Vice President of Training & Asset Management

Reports:

- AMERIND: Floyd Tortalita, AMERIND Representative, presented the report.
- NAIHC: Brook Kristovich, NAIHC Representative, presented the report. Please see report at swtha.org.
- HUD: Letichia Rodriguez, SWONAP Grants Management Specialist, presented the report. Please see report at swtha.org.
- SWTHA: Nina Jaramillo, Treasurer, submitted the Financial Report.

Old Business:

- SWTHA Bylaws Revision and Adoption: Tim Humphrey, Esq. discussed the current suggested changes to combine the positions of Secretary and Treasurer. Bylaws with the changes will be sent to membership for approval. SWTHA Bylaws can be found at swtha.org. The position of Secretary/Interim Treasurer is held by Nina Jaramillo.

New business:

- Elections
 - SWTHA Region VIII AMERIND Risk Representative: Lisa Manwell, Jicarilla Apache Housing Authority

- SWTHA Region VIII AMERIND Risk Alternate Representative: Floyd Tortalita, Pueblo of Acoma Housing Authority
- Secretary/Treasurer: Nina Jaramillo, Tamaya Housing Inc., is the current Secretary and Interim Treasurer. Motion was made to appoint Nina as Treasurer, pending resolution of Amendment to the Bylaws.
- NM Representative: Greta Armijo, Pueblo of Jemez Housing Department
- AZ Representative: Nadie Beauty, Yavapai Apache Nation Tribe Housing
- President: Floyd Tortalita, Pueblo of Acoma Housing Authority
- NM Representative: (To replace Floyd Tortalita) Nadine Encino, Laguna Housing Development & Management Enterprise
- SWTHA 501c3 Query: Tim Humphrey, Esq discussed the option to apply for 501c3 status. Motion was made for SWTHA to move forward and establish a 501c3 status. There was unanimous vote to move forward.
- SWTHA Associate Membership Presentations
 - Travois Presentation - Trent Rogers, Project Coordinator (see swtha.org for copy)
 - Rural Community Assistance Corp Presentation - Erika Holzhauser, Rural Development Specialist (see swtha.org for copy)

SWTHA Meetings 2020:

- January 14-16, Ysleta Del Sur, El Paso, TX: Meeting and Training
- May 5-7, Westin, Seattle, WA: In conjunction with AMERIND/NAIHC Annual Convention
- October: In conjunction with AMERIND Symposium (needs discussion due to AMERIND moving the Symposium to a different city).

The next meeting will include training will be held on January 14-16, hosted by Ysleta Del Sur, El Paso, TX. More information will provided as we have it. Please visit swtha.org for news and events in Indian Housing. Submit your information to share on website and newsletters to swtha.region8@gmail.com.

In conclusion, thank you to AMERIND Risk for providing the meeting space and to RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC for sponsoring the lunch.

Thank you and we look forward to your continued support and participation.

Sincerely,



Floyd Tortalita
SWTHA President