

**HOUSING AUTHORITY OF MERRILL WISCONSIN**  
**SECTION 8 HOUSING**  
**PARK PLACE & JENNY TOWERS**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting @ 7:00am**

**March 24, 2026**

**701 E Main St (Main Office)**

1. Call to Order: Ian Cohrs called the meeting to order at 7:00am
2. Present: Sue Norenberg, Ian Cohrs, Jim Finucan, Jeff Schneider, Jessica Mudgett, Theresa Johnson and Amy Myers, Absent: Tom Hayden
3. Approval of the Agenda: Schneider and Norenberg made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all present voting aye.
4. Members of the Public Wishing to be Heard: At this time the board asked Theresa Johnson and Amy Myers if they would like to talk. Theresa voiced her concern about a recent lease violation issued to her not allowing Amy Myers to visit her on the property as Amy Myers was denied housing at Jenny Towers. Jessica explained the house rules state that someone denied housing isn't allowed on our property, Theresa requested another copy of the house rules. She then left the meeting to get a copy of the house rules from the Senior Property Manager.
5. Schneider and Norenberg made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2026 meeting. Motion carried with all present voting aye.
6. The Executive Director updated the board on recent ongoing communication with our attorney on legal matters. No action to be taken at this time.
7. Discussion occurred on a recent letter sent to the board by a tenant with some maintenance requests involving updates throughout the building at Jenny Towers. Discussion on continuing to move forward with bringing affordable high-speed internet to Jenny Towers.
8. The Executive Director presented Vacancy/Occupancy Updates.

9. Director Updates: Mudgett updated the board on staffing and discussed how a recent job offer was extended for maintenance but then turned down. She updated the board that the positions are again posted in the local newspaper. Motion made by Schneider and seconded by Finucan to make an exception to consider a family member of the executive director for the maintenance position while removing the executive director from the interview process for said candidate and allowing the Maintenance Supervisor Jeremy Winningham and the Board Chair Ian Cohrs to conduct the interview. Roll Call vote was taken. Norenberg – aye, Cohrs- aye, Finucan – aye, Schneider – aye, motion carried with all present voting aye.
  
  10. Discussion on future project: Mudgett updated the board that at this time we will not be focusing on a project but look into it in the future when the Conversion Grant will be rolled out and the right property at the right price point is located in the city for a conversion project to increase affordable housing.
  
  11. Agenda items for future consideration: High Speed Affordable Internet at Jenny Towers
  
  12. Meeting scheduled for April 21, 2026
  
  13. Adjournment: Motion made by Schneider and Finucan to adjourn at 8:04 a.m. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.
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