1	VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: I hereby
2	declare this meeting to order and state that this is
3	a meeting of the Harrison Housing Authority in the
4	town of Harrison scheduled for November 7, 2023.
5	This meeting is a regular meeting scheduled and
6	proper public notice and compliance with the
7	Sunshine Law has been posted.
8	Please stand up and salute the flag.
9	(Flag salute.)
10	VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: Roll call.
11	MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Choffo.
12	COMMISSIONER CHOFFO: Present.
13	MS. GILMORE: Commissioner
14	Confessore, absent. Commissioner Kinsella.
15	COMMISSIONER KINSELLA: Here.
16	MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Miller.
17	COMMISSIONER MILLER: Here.
18	MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Mustilli.
19	COMMISSIONER MUSTILLI: Here.
20	MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Pettigrew.
21	VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: Here.
22	MS. GILMORE: Dr. Doran, absent.
23	VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: Thank you.
24	Can I have a motion to go into closed session for
25	personnel issues?

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                     MS. GILMORE: Everybody. Everybody.
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                     MR. MANFREDI: It's a group life
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     policy.
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                     MS. GILMORE:
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     policy with the town, yeah.
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                     COMMISSIONER CHOFFO: We're
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     continuing retirees on it?
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                     MS. GILMORE: Yes, we always have.
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     The town does it.
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                     COMMISSIONER CHOFFO: For life
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                     MS. GILMORE: Yeah, 2,500; a $2,500
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     policy.
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                     COMMISSIONER KINSELLA:
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     What's that, for everybody?
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                     MS. GILMORE: For everybody. Seventy
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     something dollars. It's four dollars and something
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     a person.
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                     DIRECTOR LUCAS: It's very reasonable
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     then?
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                     MS. GILMORE:
                                   Yeah. Becky -- Oh, no.
     Becky, Tom and Johnny are the only three retirees.
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                     DIRECTOR LUCAS: They're still
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     kicking.
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2 MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Choffo.

3 | COMMISSIONER CHOFFO: Aye.

4 MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Kinsella.

COMMISSIONER KINSELLA: Aye.

MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Miller.

COMMISSIONER MILLER: Aye.

MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Mustilli.

COMMISSIONER MUSTILLI: Aye.

MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Pettigrew.

VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: Aye.

Communications, Maureen.

MS. GILMORE: Okay. We have the -we have the annual PHADA scholarship application
which was sent to the guidance department to be
given to the necessary high school seniors that live
in public or assisted housing. Okay.

And then we have a letter from John
Machado. I would like to notify you that he is
retiring from his possession as maintenance
technician at Harrison Housing effective March 1st,
2024. Thank you for the opportunity to work for the
Harrison Housing Authority for 41 years. I enjoyed
working with the staff and residents along the way.
I have made some lifetime friends. I would be happy

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to help with the transition in any way. My best wishes to you and the staff. Sincerely, John Machado.

VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: He didn't sign it.

MS. GILMORE: He has to sign.

VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: I mean he has to sign the letter.

MS. GILMORE: I know. All right. This next letter is addressed to you and to the Harrison Housing Authority. I am retiring on July 1st, 2024 after 28 years of service. I would like to thank you for the opportunity to work for the Harrison Housing Authority, and I will miss you and all the staff and residents that I have come to know through the years. Please let me know what I can do to help you with the transition of my work to another person. I plan to be working up until my retirement date and will be happy to help you make a smooth transition. Again, I have truly enjoyed working for the Harrison housing authority and wish you all the best for the future. Sincerely Doreen couch.

COMMISSIONER CHOFFO: I don't know about you retiring.

1	COMMISSIONER MILLER: Yeah, I'm not
2	happy about that. Doreen. You will be sorely
3	missed, I'm telling you right now. You'll be sorely
4	missed.
5	COMMISSIONER CHOFFO: We're going to
6	miss you.
7	MS. GILMORE: And I also have
8	information about Dr. Doran's brother Kenneth.
9	VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: That's
10	tomorrow.
11	MS. GILMORE: Yes, tomorrow.
12	VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: Executive
13	Director's report, please.
14	DIRECTOR LUCAS: No changes from last
15	time. Boilers, since the last meeting we asked for
16	clarification, and I have great news. Well, do want
17	to do it? We had the boilers opened up from one of
18	the companies and, he's like, Yeah, we'll see you in
19	two weeks, and that dude over there was like, Yeah,
20	okay. We'll see about that.
21	So Gene got them here when they said they
22	weren't coming back and that happened twice, and
23	Gene got them here, and said we'll close the boilers

So then obviously they showed up. The

ourselves, and you'll get not a dime.

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boilers are up and running. You did a great job Gene. So the boilers are upgraded.

VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: Not a dime.

DIRECTOR LUCAS: Not a dime. They
showed up. We have an issue with our vehicle that
the guys have, our maintenance vehicle. My father
bought it 28 years ago. It was completely falling
apart. Once again -- once again, my maintenance men
have kept this thing on the ground for the last
eight. We should have got a truck eight years ago.
So I'm in the process of doing procurement for a new
truck. We won't make it through the winter with it,
and we need it for plowing.

So hopefully, I'll be able to get that all done by next week the latest if I could get there this week. Me and gene have to go check everything out and do all of that stuff. I will send an e-mail to everyone before the truck is even bought. If anybody has any questions or comments, please feel free to e-mail me or let me know. How do we have to use when we go for the truck, we have to use?

MR. MANFREDI: State contracts.

DIRECTOR LUCAS: State contracts. So we have one priced already. We have another price coming in tomorrow. And then the third one, I think

Joe has somebody that he can hook us up with. So we're halfway there, but before I even buy the truck, I will send an e-mail to everybody and let them know that we focused on one truck, this is where we're getting it from just so everybody is aware of the situation.

MR. MANFREDI: We'll search the state contract. We'll put the vehicle that he's looking for in the state contract, this way we don't have to go out to bid on it and see what the prices are.

DIRECTOR LUCAS: Now, the only thing is the truck that we have was an award from the federal government. We can't sell it or trade it in. It's either scraped or we've got to use it for parts. You can't benefit from trading the truck. It doesn't operate that way. So there is not going to be any trade in. What the price is on the truck, the sticker price is what we're going to pay. There is not going to be any like less because we gave them the Housing Authority truck. They're probably going to make us carry it on our backs so.

COMMISSIONER KINSELLA: Can you

23 donate it?

24 DIRECTOR LUCAS: That's not a bad

25 | idea.

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1	VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: Thank you very
2	much then. Does anyone have questions on the
3	maintenance report? Thank you. Okay. Then a
4	motion to accept the maintenance report.
5	COMMISSIONER MUSTILLI: Motion.
6	COMMISSIONER CHOFFO: Second.
7	MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Choffo.
8	COMMISSIONER CHOFFO: Aye.
9	MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Kinsella.
10	COMMISSIONER KINSELLA: Aye.
11	MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Miller.
12	COMMISSIONER MILLER: Aye.
13	MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Mustilli.
14	COMMISSIONER MUSTILLI: Aye.
15	MS. GILMORE: Commissioner Pettigrew.
16	VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: Aye. Thank
17	you. Okay. Any old business? No. Good thing you
18	didn't call me doctor. I'd be upset about that.
19	DIRECTOR LUCAS: I'm sure you would.
20	VICE CHAIR PETTIGREW: Okay. Under
21	new business, motion to approve 1623-11-2023,
22	ratification of contract for emergency repairs to
23	boiler in the Harrison Gardens. Do I have a motion?
24	COMMISSIONER MUSTILLI: Motion.
25	COMMISSIONER CHOFFO: Second.

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