



Hamilton

TENANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 1, 2014

11:30 – 1:30 pm

Boardroom – 350 King Street, Hamilton

Present: Connie Bellamy (Chair), Marie Raftis, John Hawker,
Regrets: Andy Cranbury, Larry Husack, Laura Ryan
Staff: Janet Surmanski, Dave Brodati

1) WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Connie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2) CHANGES AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Agenda approved.

3) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

It was moved by Marie, seconded by John that the minutes of April 3rd be approved.

5) BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

6) HAMILTON DISTRICT APARTMENT ASSOCIATION – ARUN PATHAK

The Committee chair person, Connie Bellamy and staff welcomed Arun Pathak, President of the Hamilton District Apartment Association. Arun talked about the

role of the association and the importance of education for landlords, through workshops and tradeshow. The HDAA represents landlords and provides a voice on issues affecting the rental industry. Recent areas of interest for landlords include licensing, preventative bed bug strategies and the multi – residential tax ratio. After a brief discussion, the Committee agreed that working with the HDAA on the multi-residential tax ratio would be mutually beneficial.

Arun addressed the challenges facing the rental industry including an aging housing stock, and the need for mandatory capital improvements. In the future the HDAA plans to influence all levels of government for changes that will assist landlords with rising costs.

7) TAC COMMITTEE EVALUATION

Dave Brodati advised that staff have been requested to circulate and complete the Volunteer Committee Evaluation Tool with TAC. The questionnaire was reviewed and completed with input from all members. One member expressed an interest in providing individual comments. Staff confirmed that this option was available and that all completed evaluations would be forwarded to the Clerks Department.

8) ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by John Hawker, seconded by Marie Raftis and carried that the meeting be adjourned.