

## **Soldiers' Home in Holyoke Board of Trustees Meeting**

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Soldiers' Home Holyoke (HLY) was held telephonically on Thursday, March 18, 2021. The meeting began at 5:10 PM.

### **Members Present:**

Gary Keefe, Chairman; Mark Bigda, Sean Collins, Cindy Lacoste, Isaac Mass, Carmen Ostrander

### **Also Present:**

Cheryl Poppe, Secretary, Department of Veterans Services (DVS); Catherine Starr, Secretariat Human Resources Director; Jessica Sherer, Secretary Director of Talent Acquisition, Faythe Abber-Van Dam, Director of Recruitment Executive Office of Health and Human Services; Matt Deacon, Legal Counsel, DVS; Mark Yankopoulos, Legal Counsel; Kathleen Denner, Recording Secretary; Jamie Gaitan, Tech. Support and Interview panelists from the community: Eric Segundo, Pam Quirk and Mary Moscato.

**Pledge of Allegiance** - All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Comment:** no public comment

Roll Call is as follows: Mark Bigda (Yes); Sean Collins (Yes); Cindy Lacoste (Yes); Isaac Mass (Yes); Carmen Ostrander (Yes); Gary Keefe (Yes).

### **Adjourn:**

Trustee Lacoste made a motion, seconded by Trustee Ostrander, to conclude the Public Session and move into Executive Session, for the purpose stated on the agenda. Chairman Keefe noted for the public's awareness that the Board of Trustees will not be returning from Executive Session to Public Session. The Board of Trustees will adjourn after the Executive Session has ended.

Roll Call Vote is as follows: Mark Bigda (Yes); Sean Collins (Yes); Cindy Lacoste (Yes); Isaac Mass (Yes); Carmen Ostrander (Yes); Gary Keefe (Yes). It was unanimously VOTED to conclude Public Session and move into Executive Session 5:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Denner  
Acting Secretary for the Board of Trustees