

**BELLINGHAM HOUSING AUTHORITY**  
**Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting**  
**March 18, 2025**

The Board of Commissioners of Bellingham Housing Authority (“BHA”) held a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 18, 2025 in a hybrid format. The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by Chair Gockley, followed by roll call. Chair Gockley declared a quorum present and the meeting opened for business.

**A. ROLL CALL/QUORUM**

**Present:**

Commissioner Valerie Billmire  
Commissioner Terry Bornemann  
Commissioner Dave Finet  
Commissioner Stephen Gockley

**Absent & Excused:**

Commissioner Alana Pattermann

**BWCHA Staff Presenters:**

Lindsay Burmeister, Executive Services/HR Manager  
Andrew Calkins, Executive Director

**Guest Presenters:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT AND RESIDENT INPUT**

None.

**B. REPORTS**

1. Executive Director Report: Attached to the Agenda
2. Board Retreat Follow-Up Discussion: Attached to the Minutes

**C. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**

1. Resolution Authorizing the Housing Authority of the City of Bellingham to Accept 8 Mainstream Vouchers Transferred from the Spokane Housing Authority

Approve Resolution 2820

Commissioner Billmire moved to approve the motion with a friendly amendment to the motion to read “that the governing body does hereby authorize the Executive Director to accept the transfer of 8 Mainstream Vouchers from the Spokane Housing Authority to the Housing Authority of the City of Bellingham.”

Commissioner Bornemann seconded the motion and Chair Gockley called the vote.

**AYES:**

Commissioner Valerie Billmire  
Commissioner Terry Bornemann  
Commissioner Dave Finet  
Commissioner Stephen Gockley

**NAYES:** None

**D. CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Commissioner Finet moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

Motion: Approve Cash Disbursement/Vouchers for the Month of February 2025.

Motion: Approve Minutes for the February 2025 Regular BHA Board meeting.

Commissioner Bornemann seconded the motion and Chair Gockley called the vote.

**AYES:** Commissioner Valerie Billmire  
Commissioner Terry Bornemann  
Commissioner Dave Finet  
Commissioner Stephen Gockley

**NAYES:** None

**E. COMMISSIONER UPDATES**

None.

**F. ADJOURNMENT**

The public meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Andrew Calkins*

---

**Andrew Calkins,  
Secretary/Treasurer**

**ATTEST:**

*Stephen Gockley*  
Stephen Gockley (Apr 15, 2025 15:34 PDT)

---

**Stephen Gockley,  
Chair, Board of Commission**

# Opportunities for greater impact in Whatcom County



**Stabilizing rents via acquisition** of existing multifamily housing



**Project-basing or referring vouchers** in partnership with service providers to address unique needs (student homelessness, etc.)



**Identify new development opportunities**

Long lead time needed to assemble financing vs. smaller development typologies



**Advocacy** for additional funding sources (REET III) & intentional partnership development

# 2025.03.18 BHA Minutes

Final Audit Report

2025-04-15

Created:	2025-04-15
By:	Lindsay Burmeister (lindsay.burmeister@bellinghamhousing.org)
Status:	Signed
Transaction ID:	CBJCHBCAABAAhfc62a5ulC0EKHzaVjW0XVaFmorc585e

## "2025.03.18 BHA Minutes" History

-  Document created by Lindsay Burmeister (lindsay.burmeister@bellinghamhousing.org)  
2025-04-15 - 9:34:49 PM GMT
-  Document emailed to Andrew Calkins (andrew.calkins@bellinghamhousing.org) for signature  
2025-04-15 - 9:34:57 PM GMT
-  Document emailed to Stephen Gockley (gockleypose1@comcast.net) for signature  
2025-04-15 - 9:34:57 PM GMT
-  Email viewed by Andrew Calkins (andrew.calkins@bellinghamhousing.org)  
2025-04-15 - 9:56:47 PM GMT
-  Document e-signed by Andrew Calkins (andrew.calkins@bellinghamhousing.org)  
Signature Date: 2025-04-15 - 9:57:06 PM GMT - Time Source: server
-  Email viewed by Stephen Gockley (gockleypose1@comcast.net)  
2025-04-15 - 10:34:25 PM GMT
-  Document e-signed by Stephen Gockley (gockleypose1@comcast.net)  
Signature Date: 2025-04-15 - 10:34:43 PM GMT - Time Source: server
-  Agreement completed.  
2025-04-15 - 10:34:43 PM GMT