I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Furlong called the meeting to order at 8:17 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Terry Furlong, Commission Members Scott Thorsen, Candy Petersen, Jan Walczak, Tom Sonnek and Executive Director Scott Duddeck.

Staff: Mary Mills.
Guests: Tom Spehn, Catherine Harrington, Nancy Baker, Amber Kendall, Brittney Brost.

III. HRA ACTION ITEMS & RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Presentation by Century College interior design students related to the 2046 1st Street student built house.

Scott Duddeck introduced Tom Spehn. Tom is with Northeast Intermediate School District 916, the Career and Technical Center (CTC). Tom gave an update on enrollment and scholarships for students in the CTC. He also works with the St. Paul College cabinetry program and the Century Interior Design Team. Completion of the home is anticipated for late June. Tom has been leading this program for 10 years. Since it is the 10th anniversary of 916 working with the City of North St. Paul, staff is looking forward to the continued partnership and doing something special to recognize that.

Scott Duddeck stated this is also the annual presentation by the interior design team. They are showcasing the selected colors and fixtures for the student built home at 2046 1st Street. Present were Instructor Catherine Harrington, Nancy Baker, Amber Kendall and Brittney Brost.

B. Project Updates.

Scott Duddeck stated there currently is no designated lot for a house for next year, but there are several areas with possibilities.

Duddeck stated the proposed project for the Veteran’s Home build will be going to the Planning Commission for consideration the first meeting in May and then come before the city council the 2nd meeting in May.

Member Thorsen inquired about Fire Department staff that contribute labor and assistance to the student built projects and where those funds come from. Duddeck noted that there are part-time wages that come out of the HRA budget.

Member Walczak moved and Member Sonnek seconded, to formally approve the purchase agreement for the 2016-2017 student built home project at 2335 14th Avenue in the amount of $295,000. Motion passed 5-0.
IV. FUTURE BUSINESS

No items were stated for future business.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Member Sonnek moved and Member Walczak seconded to adjourn. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Next regular meeting: To be scheduled as needed.

/s/ Terrence J. Furlong, Chair

Attest: /s/ Scott A. Duddeck, Executive Director