

**Town of Clinton
Fair Rent Commission Hearing/Meeting Minutes
Town Hall Rose Room
June 22, 2023 at 5:00 PM**

Present: Melanie Yanus, Peter Mezzetti and Phil Sengle

Absent: Tom Schultz

Respondent: Debra Halsted
Christopher Carlson, Connecticut Legal Services

Defendant: David Pazzaglia, DJE Properties, LLC

M. Yanus called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Continuation of Case #2023-01, Debra Halsted v. DJE Properties, LLC

The commission continued to discuss the case and make a ruling per C.G.S. Section 47a-23c and 7-148b to 7-148f.

D. Pazzaglia asked the commission if additional evidence can be presented but the commission closed the time to submit evidence at the last meeting. P. Sengle made a motion that the rent for Debra Halsted starting July 1, 2023 would be \$700.00 per month. Starting October 1, 2023 the rent would increase to \$750.00 per month for 10 months through June 2024. Landlord principle David Pazzaglia, DJE Properties, will present a new written lease to Debra Halstead by July 1, 2023. This lease is to be signed by both parties by July 1, 2023. Sengle stated that raising the rent from \$650.00 to \$1250.00 would be harsh and unconscionable. The motion was seconded by P. Mezzetti. The motion passed unanimously with 3 votes in favor (Mezzetti, Sengle & Yanus) and 0 votes opposed.

Both parties asked for a copy of the audio.

There was some discussion on when day one would start should either party wish to file an appeal with the superior court. The commission agreed that day 1 would be on Friday, June 23, 2023 when the minutes are filed and emailed to both parties.

The next meeting for the commission is scheduled for July 20, 2023 at 5:00 pm.

P. Sengle made a motion, seconded by P. Mezzetti and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 5:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino