

**MINUTES OF THE CALDWELL RENT REVIEW BOARD**  
**January 16, 2019**

**OATH OF OFFICE:**

Amy D'Ambola  
Jeffrey Gates

Meeting called to order **7:06PM**

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Mr. Gates, Ms. Evans, Mr. Galante, Ms. D'Ambola and Mr. Linden

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ms. Eva Carey, Esq (standing in for Mr. McGowen)

**ABSENT:** Councilman O'Donnell and Mr. Valente

**STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**MINUTES:**

**December 19, 2018**

Minutes of the Rent Review Board meeting accepted and approved.  
Mr. Gates and Ms. D'Ambola abstained.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

Mr. Galante nominated Ms. Evans as Vice-Chairman of the Rent Review Board, seconded by Mr. Linden. All in favor.

Mr. Linden nominated Mr. Galante as Chairman of the Rent Review Board, seconded by Ms. Evans. All in favor.

**OPEN QUESTION PORTION OF MEETING**

The Board discussed having a workshop at the next meeting. Mr. Galante suggested that everyone write down a few questions and familiarize themselves with the ordinance as it is written.

Mr. Gates responded that being a tenant in Caldwell he was never aware that there was a Rent Board and is there a Community Outreach to educate people that this Board actually does exist and can be used as a resource when there are issues that come up. He feels an obvious way would be use of social media creating something maybe Facebook or the website.

Mr. Linden responded that his understanding of Rent Review Board's primary purpose is to make sure that landlords are not exceeding increases to the rent plus there is Capital

Improvements with exceptions set forth in the Ordinance. In the ordinance there is a complaint mechanism violating the law or the lease or something else. He is wondering are we going down the landlord tenant path. Mr. Gates responded that he wants to make sure he understands because he does see tenants around and he wants to help accordingly.

**Mr. Galante** made motion to adjourn meeting at 7:24p.m., seconded by **Mr. Gates**.  
All in favor.