

**BOARD MINUTES**  
**Monday, January 3, 2022, 5:30 p.m.**

The FHRA Board met in public session at 8950 Otis Avenue, Lawrence, IN at 5:30 p.m. Meeting was called to order by Mr. Jeff Vest. A quorum was met.

**Members present in person:** Jeff Vest, Karen Horth Powers, Jason Fenwick, Russell Brown

**Members present by phone:** Lacy Johnson

**Staff Present:** Aletha Dunston, Heather Millikan

There was nothing new to report by the treasurer.

**New Business:**

First item of new business was approval of the November 15, 2021, board meeting minutes. Mr. Brown made a motion for approval of the minutes as submitted and Mr. Fenwick seconded. A roll call was taken, and all five board members were in favor of approval of the minutes.

Next item of new business was election of board officers for 2022. Mr. Vest asked Mr. Brown if he could make a motion for election of the same slate of officers as 2021. Mr. Brown made a motion to elect the same slate of board officers as 2021 and Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call of board members was taken, and all five board members voted in favor of the slate of officers for 2022.

**Update from Executive Director:**

Ms. Dunston stated thanks to everyone that attended the Fort Report at the Theater and attending the reception afternoon at the Sterrett Center. She stated the FHRA would like to replicate that in the future. FHRA and partners are getting ready to break ground on a ribbon cutting on several big projects in the spring and would like to showcase those later in the year. The FHRA closed on the final 10 lots of Phase 3 at David Weekley Homes and the residents will be able to take over the HOA very soon. The FHRA closed on the Indianapolis Public Library at parcel J at 56<sup>th</sup> and Melner and Otis and hope for a groundbreaking in the spring. Parcel C which is just north of the Post Road ravine will be an 18-unit townhome project and will be breaking ground in mid spring. Department of Natural Resources just gave the FHRA approval for the grant of \$200,000 to put into the hardscape and new amenities at Civic Plaza. That project will be going out to bid soon. Ms. Dunston asked to please spread the word about the project going out to bid as this will be the second time for the bid opportunity for the Civic Plaza project. There will be a ribbon cutting on the Hilton Tru Hotel in the spring or early summer. The PX building on Lawton Loop East has been transferred to the new owners and the project should be underway in the spring as well. The FHRA is in the process of remediating the area where the communications building was removed and getting ready for a land swap with the Lawton Loop Easts condos.

**News at the Fort:**

- The Lawrence State of the City will be on Thursday, March 3, 2022, from 11:30 – 1:00 at the MSDLT Community building at 6501 Sunnyside Road. You can register with the Greater Lawrence Chamber of Commerce.
- Unless an exception is made, all board meetings will be held the 3rd Mondays at 5:30pm in the Public Assembly Room of the Lawrence Government Center at 9001 E. 59th Street.
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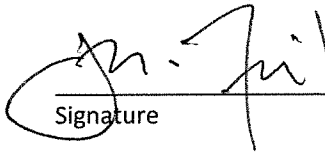
Mr. Brown stated that he wanted to compliment the City of Lawrence on the successful Winterfest.

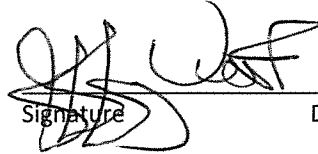
Ms. Korn stated the City of Lawrence will be celebrating Black History month on February 24<sup>th</sup> at the Theater at the Fort.

Mr. Vest stated the next meeting is on Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

**Adjournment:**

There were no questions from the public and Mr. Vest adjourned the meeting.

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