

FORT HARRISON REUSE AUTHORITY BOARD MINUTES
Monday, January 30, 2012

The FHRA Board met in public session at 9120 Otis Avenue, FHRA conference room, Lawrence, IN at 5:30 p.m.

FHRA Board Members Present

Mr. Keith Mathews, President
Ms. Audrey Smith, Vice President
Mr. Jeff Congdon, Secretary/Treasurer
Mr. Cliff Redden

FHRA Staff

Ms. Kris Butler, Executive Director
Ms. Heather Millikan, Executive Assistant

Public

Bob Gallant, Browning Investments
Kim Reeves, Browning Investments
Phillip Genetos, Ice Miller
Sherron Freeman, Lawrence Common Council
Keith Johnson, City of Lawrence
Bruce Northern, City of Lawrence DPW
Noelle Malatestinic, City of Indianapolis
Elizabeth Thompson, Christians United Church
Jim Kane, Lawton Loop resident

Official Public Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mr. Keith Mathews

The first order of business on the agenda was approval of minutes from the December 12, 2011 meeting. Ms. Smith made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Congdon seconded. Motion approved.

Ms. Butler stated the next item on the agenda was election of officers. In IC 36-7-30-6 under Sec. 6 (a) of the FHRA Statute: "The reuse authority members shall hold a meeting for the purpose of organization not later than thirty (30) days after they are appointed and, after that, each year on the first day in January that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. They shall choose one (1) of their members as president, another as vice president, and another as secretary-treasurer." Ms. Butler acknowledged that some governing bodies had yet to make their appointments so it was likely that the February 20th board meeting would have a new election of officers. She noted that this is a part of the statute that should likely be changed at some point, but to do so would require authorization by the General Assembly.

Ms. Butler asked for a nomination of the position of president. Mr. Congdon nominated Mr. Mathews and Mr. Redden seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Mathews asked for a nomination of Vice President. Mr. Congdon made a motion to elect Audrey Smith as Vice President. Mr. Redden seconded. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Mathews stated that Mr. Congdon was the current Secretary/Treasurer. Ms. Smith made the motion to nominate Mr. Congdon and Mr. Redden seconded. Motion passed.

The next item on the agenda under new business was the approval of a second amendment to the ground lease and option agreement for the YMCA outdoor pool. Ms. Butler explained the purpose of the second amendment is to restate the first amendment and give a new target completion date of building the outdoor pool. Groundbreaking will be officially in March and the new target completion date is December 31, 2012.

Ms. Butler asked the board to make a motion to approve the second amendment. Mr. Congdon made the motion and Ms. Smith seconded. Motion approved.

Ms. Butler stated the next item on the agenda is an opportunity that came before the Board late last year. Ms. Butler explained the opportunity is confidential retail store that would be located at 56th and Lee Road site (parcel J). The retail opportunity would be a tremendous addition to the Fort but also to the benefit of the City of Lawrence and its residents.

Ms. Butler explained there are three things she is asking from the Board. The first is the board must agree to Browning as developer/owner. This will give Browning Investments the authorization to submit a LOI for the sale of land for this use. The second item is the Board must agree to a sales price of \$200,000 per acre. The third item was the Board must agree that the FHRA must build the infrastructure leading to this site. The Boards approval authorizes the executive director to proceed in developing a cost analysis for the project to be later brought before the Board for final approval.

Mr. Mathews asked for a motion for Browning Investments to be developer/owner and have authorization to submit an LOI for the sale of land for the use of a retail site. Mr. Congdon made the motion and Mr. Redden seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Congdon also moved that the Board would agree to a price of \$200,000 per acre at 56th and Lee Road. Mr. Redden seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Congdon moved that the Board agree that the FHRA must build the infrastructure leading to the site. Mr. Redden seconded the motion. Motion passed.

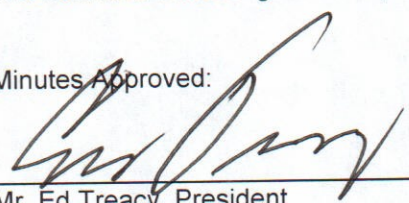
Ms. Kim Reeves of Browning Investments gave a status update of the Russell B. Harrison building.

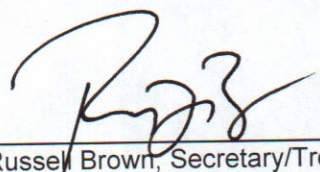
Mr. Mathews asked for public comments. Mr. Jim Kane spoke on behalf of the Lawton Loop West Neighborhood Association expressing concern about the future development of vacant buildings on Lawton Loop East Drive. Ms. Butler stated that since the FHRA had no ownership in this property, the FHRA could not control use but rather the architectural and historic preservation of building redevelopment. Ms. Butler said that she would authorize Ice Miller to research past association by-laws in connection with any controls that had been put in place and to write a brief for the neighborhood associations' use.

Mr. Mathews asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Congdon made a motion and Ms. Smith seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

The next board meeting will take place February 20, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes Approved:


Mr. Ed Treacy, President


Mr. Russell Brown, Secretary/Treasurer