## FORT HARRISON REUSE AUTHORITY BOARD MINUTES Monday, April 21, 2014

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. Ed Treacy, President Mr. Jeff Congdon, Vice President Mr. Russell Brown, Secretary Treasurer Ms. Marci Reddick, Board Member Mr. Jerry Clifford, Board Member

## **FHRA Staff**

Mr. Freddie Burrus, Executive Director Mrs. Heather Millikan, Executive Assistant

## **Public**

April Pyatt, Ice Miller
Sherron Freeman, Lawrence Common Council District 3
Chris Barnett, Lawrence CDC
Kim Reeves, Browning Investments
Terry Hebert, Browning Investments
Tim Joyce, City of Lawrence
Dennis Southerland, Cripe
Lucinda Franklin, CGS Services
Thaddeus Lupton, Beyond Architecture
Oscar Gutierrez, City of Lawrence
Thomas Cook, City of Lawrence

Official Public Meeting was called to order at 5:39 p.m. by Mr. Treacy.

Mr. Brown stated that the audit for 2013 should be back on a normal schedule and will hopefully be completed by June or early July. He also stated last months financials were available for anyone to take. Mr. Brown wished Mr. Treacy a happy birthday.

Mr. Burrus gave an Executive Director's update. The FHRA has purchased the old PX or 5745 Lawton Loop East. The FHRA has sent out the RFP to forty different companies in terms of planning to build a hotel on the Fort. The Fort Harrison Office Suites is currently being reviewed by the FHRA ARC.

Mr. Treacy asked for approval of minutes from the March 17, 2014 meeting. Ms. Reddick made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Brown seconded. Motion was unanimously approved.

The next item on the agenda is the HWC contract approval. Mr. Terry Hebert stated that they reached out to four different engineering firms and two responded. The two that responded Browning met with the one that was most responsive. Ms. Reeves of Browning stated just to clarify the scope of the contract it is infrastructure development on Parcel A for residential home development and improvement of Birtz Road from Hawkins all the way up to Rising Road. Mr. Treacy asked what kind of a time frame we are looking at. Mr. Hebert said probably a couple of months for the design work and to go thru the public agencies.

Mr. Brown stated he would recuse himself from a vote on this matter as he has done and is still doing legal work for HWC. He also stated he did not participate in the selection for the review or any contract negotiations on this matter. Mr. Brown abstained from a vote.

Mr. Congdon moved to approve the contract and Mr. Clifford seconded the vote. The contract was unanimously approved.

The next item on the agenda is the Lawton Loop Apartment project agreement and Resolution.

Mr. Congdon stated he would abstain from voting on this matter as he is on the CDC also. Ms. Reddick to clarify stated this is for the market rate apartments to be developed by Meyer Najem and the CDC on Lawton Loop.

Mr. Clifford stated the project will occur in three phases and each phase will be evaluated before the take down of the dollars. The number of apartments is thought to be around 35 and they are going to be very nice Class "A" apartments. He stated about a year from now we should have something to be very proud of

Mr. Brown moved that they approve Resolution 2014-03 and authorize the execution of the project agreement and substantially the form attached thereto. Ms. Reddick seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Treacy opened the meeting up to questions from the public.

Councilwoman Freeman asked who is responsible for fixing downed light poles over by the YMCA in the median on Lee Road. Ms. Reeves of Browning stated it is an Indianapolis Road so it will not be City of Lawrence. Mr. Joyce of the City of Lawrence will talk to DPW about the light poles.

Mr. Treacy stated that quite a few things are happening and hopefully dirt turned by this summer in turns of something on 56<sup>th</sup> Street, the new housing going up in the Fort and something happening with the RFP on the hotel. Browning, the FHRA consultants sent the RFP out to 50-60 people. A lot of activity is occurring and they are pleased and excited.

A gentleman asked about the Marten building. Mr. Brown said there is nothing for us to report on. Mr. Clifford said he should talk to Mr. Marten about that building.

Mr. Treacy asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Reddick made the motion and Mr. Brown seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.

Minutes Approved:

Mr. Edward Treacy, President

Mr. Russell Brown, Secretary Treasurer