## FORT HARRISON REUSE AUTHORITY BOARD MINUTES Monday, August 20, 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. Ed Treacy, President

Mr. Keith Mathews, Vice President

Mr. Russell Brown, Secretary/ Treasurer

Mr. Jeff Congdon, Member

Mr. Cliff Redden, Member

## **FHRA Staff**

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

## **Public**

Bob Gallant, Browning Investments
Kim Reeves, Browning Investments
April Pyatt, Ice Miller
Chris Barnett, Lawrence CDC
Ann Kunz, resident
Judy Byron, PFL Arts
Tony Knoll
Toby McClamrock, Bingham, Greenbaum, Dahl
Colleen Renie, Village of Merici
Dave Kieser, Kieser Consulting
Roger Corley, YMCA

Official Public Meeting was called to order at 5:38 p.m. by Mr. Treacy.

Under the Secretary Treasurer report Mr. Brown stated that there was nothing to report at this months meeting.

Under the Executive Directors report Mr. Burrus gave an update on the occupancy at the Miller Valentine senior residence and when J.C. Hart's The Fort Apartments will be ready for occupancy. Mr. Congdon asked Mr. Burrus if J.C. Hart has expressed if the leasing meets or exceeds their expectations and Mr. Burrus stated yes they did.

The first order of new business on the agenda was approval of minutes from the July 16, 2012 meeting. Mr. Brown made a motion for approval. Mr. Congdon seconded. Motion approved.

The next item on the agenda was a resolution to approve the acquisition of the Finance Center building located at 9150 Otis Avenue. Mr. Congdon made a motion for approval. Mr. Mathews seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Treacy stated the next item for discussion was Midwest Models. He stated that Mr. Burrus and the board have been very zealous in meeting with them and about getting them to stay and have been working with Ed Watson on expansion. However, after much time and effort spent regarding this matter Mr. Watson has not been able to come to any decisions about expansion or relocation. Until Mr. Watson provides additional specific details on his expansion plans, FHRA is not in a position to begin discussions on potential incentive packages to retain the business at Fort Harrison

Mr. Toby McClamrock of Bingham, Greenbaum and Dahl is working with people from the Village of Merici. The Village of Merici is providing residential facilities for young adults with learning and physical disabilities. They are applying for low income tax credits to be used towards remodeling the building the Village of Merici has acquired. He stated their purpose is to request a change in the FHRA housing plan. Some language of the Plan needs changed in order to apply for the low income tax credits in November. Mr. Treacy asked that Ms. Pyatt of Ice Miller look into that.

Mr. Congdon asked about parking and possibility of getting a variance for less parking at Village of Merici site. Village of Merici will look into a variance with Metropolitan Development.

Mr. Treacy asked if there were any questions or comments. Mr. Bob Gallant of Browning Investments stated that they have been working on a number of things for Lawrence Village. Mr. Gallant also stated it would be a good idea to host a broker event and invite several brokers to an outing sometime in October and introduce Mr. Burrus to the real estate community for exposure.

Kim Reeves of Browning Investments stated they are currently working on an LOI for Rick's Service Center to come to Lawrence Village. Ms. Reeves gave an update of various individuals and companies they have reached out to. Ms. Reeves also mentioned that the J.C. Hart release of escrow funds was ready and just awaiting signatures of the board.

Ms. Ann Kunz, a resident asked that the other neighborhoods adjacent to Lawton Loop be informed on matters relating to Lawton Loop.

Mr. Congdon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Redden seconded the motion and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:17 pm.

The next board meeting will be Monday, September 17, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes Approved:

Mr. Ed Treacy President

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Mr. Russell Brown, Secretary/Treasurer