



# Housing Authority of the City of Fort Wayne Board Meeting Minutes and Memoranda February 13, 2024

**Call to Order:** George Guy called the meeting of the Fort Wayne Housing Authority to order at approximately 8:13 a.m. on February 13, 2024, at 7315 Hanna Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46816 and on Zoom.

**Present (In Person):** Commissioners: Wil Smith, Marlon Wardlow, Fernando Zapari and George Guy (CEO/Executive Director).

**Present (Virtually):** DeLois McKinley-Eldridge and Debra Faye Williams-Robbins

**Excused:** Donna Harris and Helen Pace

**Staff:** Sarah Smith (COO), Amy Jacobowitz (VP of Asset Management), Dan Kuleff (Modernization and Construction Coordinator), Carolyn Nichter (Finance Manger), Jessica Matuska (Executive Assistant), Angia Duke (Director of Assisted Housing Programs), Larissa Williams (Programs Manager), Kelly Flanagan (Programs Manager), Angia Dukes (Housing Programs Manager), Avery Rice (YouthBuild Director), and Dana Christian (Development Manager)

## Open Forum

No one present

## Approval of Minutes from previous meetings

Motion to approve the minutes by Wil Smith and DeLois McKinley-Eldridge seconded the motion. Unanimously approved by the Commissioners.

## Approval of Financials

Financials presented by BDO PHA Finance (Jake Bastoni). He provided an overview of the financial report for November and December. Discussed the presentation of financials.

Motion to approve the financials by Marlon Wardlow and Wil Smith seconded the motion. Unanimously approved by the Commissioners.



## **FWHA Affiliates Information**

Presentation of affiliates and development presented by Joseph A. Lamagna, Esquire, President of Rawson Consulting and Marketing Corp.

## **Staff Introductions**

George Guy provided an introduction of staff to all board members.

## **Old Business**

- a. Hillcrest Update – George Guy and Dana Christian provided an update on Hillcrest.
- b. Affordable Connectivity Program – Your Home Your Internet Update – Sarah Smith provided an update on the YHYI program.
- c. Choice Neighborhoods Update
  1. Town Hall – Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm-7:30pm
- d. Hoosier Homes and Home Buyer Education
  1. Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>
- e. Strategic Plan Update – Sarah Smith provided an update on the Strategic Plan.

## **New Business**

- a. Annual Updates to the PHA Plan – George Guy and Sarah Smith provided an update on the Annual PHA.
- b. Annual Meeting – March 12, 2024 – George Guy informed the board of the Annual Meeting in March.

## **Resolutions**

- a. Resolution 2024-01 – Resolution Approving PHA Plan for Public Comment Motion to approve resolution 2024-01 made by Wil Smith and Marlon Wardlow seconded. Unanimously approved by the Commissioners.
- b. Resolution 2024-02 – Resolution Approving River Cove HVAC Replacement Motion to approve resolution 2024-02 made by Marlon Wardlow and Wil Smith seconded. Unanimously approved by the Commissioners.
- c. Resolution 2024-03 – Resolution Approving Vehicle Purchase Motion to approve resolution 2024-02 made by Marlon Wardlow and Debra Faye Williams-Robbins seconded. Unanimously approved by the Commissioners.

## **Executive Session**

No actions taken or decisions made.

## **Adjournment**

Regular Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:40 a.m.

