BOARD MINUTES Monday, October 17, 2022, 5:30 p.m.

The FHRA Board met in public session at 9001 E. 59th Street, Public Assembly Room, 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 **Staff Present:** Heather Millikan

Mr. Vest opened the meeting and stated there was a quorum.

There was nothing new to report by the treasurer.

New Business:

The first item of new business was approval of the September 19, 2022, board meeting minutes. There were no changes suggested by the board. Ms. Powers made a motion for approval of the minutes as submitted and Mr. Fenwick seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Update from Executive Director:

Ms. Millikan gave the following report:

- Civic Plaza at Otis and Wheeler Road is nearing completion. With the wind tree, some bike racks, trash bins and lighting they will be wrapping up in time for the Lawrence Christmas and Winterfest activities.
- The library on parcel J at 56th and Melner has steel structure up along with exterior walls and roofing and some mechanicals are being installed. They are on schedule for opening in mid 2023
- The Hilton Tru Hotel is officially open for business. There will be a ribbon cutting/grand opening planned with the Civic Plaza's ribbon cutting. We will push the info out when we have a firm date.
- The Purple Line terminus structure should be complete and the crew demobilizing within the next two weeks.
- PX building work continues and expected completion date is slightly delayed due to supply chain issues with windows. I shared marketing information on the FHRA Facebook page if anyone would like to see what the building will have to offer future tenants.
- The Davis Townhomes on parcel C which is at Hawkins and Birtz roads is experiencing a delay due to utility infrastructure delays as well as supply chain issues and contractor delays. The project is now slated to begin in the spring of 2023.
- There are new Fort Ben pillar logos around the Village and in the next few weeks there will be several new Historic Fort Ben banners hung throughout the Fort Ben area.

- The Fort Ben Farmer's Market officially wrapped up last week for the season and was highly successful and should be even better next season.
- There are a several other events coming up:
 - The US Chamber meet and greet is this Friday, October 21 at noon at USI Consultants with Senator Todd Young speaking.
 - For chamber members, the annual luncheon is November 9th at 11:30 at Hillcrest Country Club.
 - November 26th is the annual A Lawrence Christmas parade and tree lighting event starting at 5:30 p.m. at Civic Plaza.
 - December 14th from 4:30-6:30 at Hillcrest Country Club will be the Lawrence Fire Department, the Chamber and Rotary Club Toy Drive. They are asking for new unwrapped toys.

Mr. Vest stated work has begun on the interior upgrades at the Sterrett Center for Heartland Films to move in. Heartland Films are anticipating doing a ribbon cutting the first week of January.

Brad Klopfenstein asked if there was an official date for Heartland to announce they are coming to Fort Ben. Jeff Vest stated there is no date for an announcement yet, however an agreement has been signed by all parties. Heartland is looking to do a joint announcement with the city in the coming months.

Ms. Millikan stated that people have noticed lights out around Fort Ben. She stated if anyone sees any streetlights out around the Fort, please take a picture of the number on the pole and note its location and you can email it to my attention to be reported on the AES website.

A gentleman who is a resident of Residences of Lawrence Village at the Fort asked about when paving will happen in the last phase. Kim Reeves with Browning is working with Midwest Paving to get that work done. She stated because it is a smaller project it has been difficult to even get anyone to respond to do the work. We are pushing hard trying to get Midwest to commit to a date to start and will keep the HOA informed.

Adjournment:

There were no additional questions from the public and the meeting adjourned. The next meeting is November 21, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the Lawrence Government Center.

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