

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 5, 2022

1. MEETING called to order by Chairperson C. Blue, via a Zoom Meeting commencing at 6:00 p.m. on January 5, 2022. There were no Members of the Public in attendance.

2. Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act and the Emergency Remote Meeting Protocol for Public Bodies on December 30, 2021, an Amendment of the Annual Notice of Meetings, including the date, time, place and how to participate and attend this hybrid meeting virtually was:

- 1) Sent to The Record and Jersey Journal;
- 2) Sent to the Clerk of the Borough of Fort Lee and posted on The Housing Authority's officially designated bulletin board In the Borough Hall;
- 3) Posted on the Fort Lee Housing Authority's website: www.flha.org; and
- 4) Posted on the doors of the Housing Authority's Office at 1403 Teresa Drive, Fort Lee

The Secretary is hereby directed to enter into the minutes of this meeting this public announcement.

3. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Commissioners C. Blue, S. Bauer, E. O'Neill, R. Sohmer, D. Steinberg and A. Yook

ABSENT: J. Silver

4. MINUTES:

Motion made by S. Bauer, seconded by A. Yook to dispense with the reading of the Minutes for Regular Meeting of December 1, 2021.

AYES: C. Blue, S. Bauer, E. O'Neill; R. Sohmer, D. Steinberg and A. Yook
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: J. Silver

5. NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON:

- A. R. Sohmer** nominated **C. Blue** for **Chairperson of the Housing Authority of the Borough of Fort Lee**, seconded by **A. Yook**. There being no further nominations, **C. Blue** was elected **Chairperson** unanimously on Motion made by **R. Sohmer** and seconded by **A. Yook**.
- B. C. Blue** nominated **J. Silver** for **Vice Chairperson of the Housing Authority of the Borough of Fort Lee**, seconded by **R. Sohmer**. There being no further nominations, **J. Silver** was elected **Vice Chairperson, by acclamation** on Motion made by **S. Bauer** seconded by **R. Sohmer**.

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

1. We are all doing well here at the Housing Authority with regard to Covid. Everyone is keeping safe.
2. We had nice Christmas gatherings here for our Seniors and our FSS Families due to the wonderful donations we received from two of our donors. One was a \$ 1,000.00 received from one of our Landlords, who also donated last year, and \$ 500.00 from a former participant who was able to purchase a home through our program and wanted to give back. From these donations we were able to buy gift cards for our tenants and cookies. Toys were given to our younger tenants from the toys that were donated by the PBA this year and last year.
3. We are working very hard to spend all our Covid monies and Grant monies for both the Housing Authority and FLASH Corp. John Donovan is on top of our Architect to ready plans and specs so that we can get moving on completing the projects and spending the monies before the spring, 2022 deadline
4. Commissioners asked questions regarding the tenants wearing masks and using the elevators. They were advised that the tenants in the 1403 building using the elevator are very careful following the signs that are in the elevator already and do use their masks when in the common areas. The office is closed and they are very good at protecting themselves and others.

5. RESOLUTIONS:

- A) Payment of Bills;
- B) Appointing Terrence J. Corrison as Public Agency Compliance Officer pursuant to NJAC 17:27-3.2; and
- C) Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022. This is a two part step we already introduced the Budget in November when Tom Furlong explained the Budget to us. We then had to send it down to the State for their approval even though they do not vote on it, they approved it with no changes and now we need to approve it by a vote at this meeting.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, February 2, 2022. Have a good month and stay healthy. Commissioner's reminder to "get your booster shots".

7. OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A) **MOTION** made by S. Bauer, seconded by C. Blue to approve the following Resolutions by Consent Agenda.

Resolution # 2326 to approve payment of the attached list of bills.
Resolution annexed hereto.

Resolution # 2327 appointing Terrence J. Corrison as Public Agency Compliance Officer pursuant to NJAC 17:27-3.2 for Fiscal Year 2022.
Resolution annexed hereto.

Resolution # 2328 adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022. Resolution annexed hereto

AYES: C. Blue, S. Bauer, E. O'Neill, R. Sohmer, D. Steinberg
and A. Yook
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: J. Silver

9. **OPEN DISCUSSION. None**

10. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made by C. Blue, seconded by E. O'Neill to adjourn the Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

AYES: C. Blue, S. Bauer, E. O'Neill, R. Sohmer, D. Steinberg
and A. Yook
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: J. Silver

Respectfully submitted,

Terrence J. Corrison
Executive Director