## FORT LINCOLN CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

## **MINUTES**

Date: January 20, 2022

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Via: FreeConferenceCall.com

Roy Pearson opened the meeting at 7:01 P.M.

Roll call of Board Members:

**PRESENT:** Roy Pearson, Pineview Court; Dr. Anita Jones, Washington Overlook Apartments; Linda Brooks, Vicksburg Senior Apartments; Felicia Brown, The Jamison at Dakota Crossing; Dana Johnson, Wesley Senior House Apartments; Emma James, Summit Village; Mardjon Hedayati, Reserves at Dakota Crossing; Parraize Butler, Village at Dakota Crossing; Natalie Carey, Dakota Crossing; Lidell Smith (by proxy) Gettysburg Senior Apartments; Konyka Dunson, Cannon Village.

**ABSENT:** Anthony Hubbard, 35<sup>th</sup> Street; Cynthia Cherry, Hillside II Condos; Curtis Townsend, Maple View Condos; Doris Foreman, Fort Lincoln Senior Building; Lymar Curry, Banneker Ridge.

A quorum was declared.

- 1. The Minutes of December 16, 2021 were summarized. No corrections or additions were suggested. *A motion was made, and seconded, to approve the Minutes*. By unanimous vote of the Board members present, the motion was passed.
- 2. **Report from the President** Roy Pearson

**Resignation of Commissioner Pierre Hines -** Commissioner Hines has resigned as the representative of Single Member District 5C03. On January 7, 2022, President Pearson received a copy of the email Pierre sent out giving the community notice of his resignation. It appears that Commissioner Hines has <u>already</u> moved to another location in D.C. and that he intends that his resignation take effect immediately.

3. **Report from the Treasurer** - The opening closing balance is TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND 03/100 DOLLARS (\$2,644.03).

The Treasurer received an invoice from the United States Postal Service (USPS) billing the FLCA ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$174.00) for use of P.O. Box 41025 from February 1, 2022, to January 31, 2023. However, when the Treasurer went to the Post Office, she was told the actual amount was \$216.00. Either amount is more than 10% percent more than the \$140.00 budgeted for the P.O. Box in the FLCA's budget. And so, it has to be approved by the full Board.

Fort Lincoln Civic Association, Inc. Resolution 2022-1, discusses the pros and cons of renewing P.O. Box 41025. (See Monthly Treasurer's Report, January 2022.) *A motion was made, and seconded, to approve the Resolution*. By unanimous vote of the Board members present, the Resolution was passed.

- 4. Nomination of Representative Fort Lincoln Senior Building Mary James
  Roy Pearson made a motion to nominate Mary James to represent the Fort Lincoln Senior
  Building. The motion was seconded to confirm Mary James as the representative of
  the residents of the Fort Lincoln Building on the FLCA Board of Directors. By
  unanimous vote of the Board members present, in person and by proxy, the motion
  was passed.
- 5. Nomination of Representative Petersburg Apartments Dorenna Jackson Roy Pearson made a motion to nominate Dorenna Jackson to represent the Petersburg Apartments. The motion was seconded to confirm Dorenna Jackson as the representative of the residents of the Petersburg Apartments on the FLCA Board of Directors. By unanimous vote of the Board members present, in person and by proxy, the motion was passed.
- 6. Nomination of Representative –Vicksburg Apartments Linda Frances Johnson Roy Pearson made a motion to nominate Linda Frances Johnson to represent the Vicksburg Apartments. The motion was seconded to confirm Linda Johnson as the representative of the residents of the Vicksburg Apartments on the FLCA Board of Directors. By unanimous vote of the Board members present, in person and by proxy, the motion was passed.
- 7. <u>FLCA Committee Reports</u> Roy Pearson indicated that in the interest of time, he requested that all chairpersons submit written Monthly Reports, so they could quickly and orally summarize their reports so the meeting can be devoted to answering any questions or comments by Board Members. And we could also discuss and vote on any proposed Resolutions that the Committees may have submitted.
  - A. **Finance/Fundraising Committee** Ms. Carey suggested securing funding for not only the FLCA website, but the FLCA's operations generally, at least in part from those Fort Lincoln housing developments that can include a yearly contribution in their budgets. They would likely be: (1) The Reserves at Dakota Crossing, (2) The Village at Dakota Crossing, (3) Pineview Court (although not necessarily this year, because they are adversaries in zoning litigation with the FLCA), (4) Summit Court

Condominiums, (5) Banneker Ridge, (6) Dakota Crossing, (7) Maple View Condos, (8) Hillside Condominiums and (9) Dakota Crossing.

The committee has set two target dates:

**February 16, 2022**: For contacting, and receiving financial commitments, from as many of the 9 townhomes and condominiums in Fort Lincoln, as possible. **March 17, 2022:** For receiving donations from the 8 condo and HOA Boards.

B. **Planning and Zoning Committee** – Roy Pearson chairs this committee and submitted a report on the progress they have made over the past 30 days in working on the priorities they set three (3) months ago.

One priority is the Board of Zoning Adjustment case that is still pending. It appears likely the BZA will not issue a ruling because it would have to rule against the developer, who has the support of the District of Columbia government. Most members of the BZA are appointed by the Mayor.

The second priority involves the potential relocation of Fire Engine Company No. to Fort Lincoln. The committee has not, yet, received a response from the Fire Department to its objections, although a response was promised.

- C. **Communications Committee** The Committee submitted a monthly status report on the three (3) major activities identified as its priorities for the balance of this term.
  - FLCA Website Content and Design The Committee has identified Board members with whom to divide up the groundwork that will be necessary, and now the Committee has nine (9) Board members, and one (1) community volunteer. Additionally, all FLCA Board members will be asked to contribute to the page for their respective apartment building, housing cluster, or the single-family homes along 35<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - 2. **FLCA Fundraising for And Through Website** The committee has identified and divided up more than 100 businesses to solicit for funds that will be recognized by placing the businesses' logo on the Home Page of the planned website. A target date of February 17<sup>th</sup> has been set for sending a form letter, and making a follow up phone call to each business. Based on its fundraising success, or not, the Com-mittee will recommend to the Board at its February 17, 2022 meeting whether the FLCA accept a heavily conditioned \$4,000.00 grant from The Menkiti Group.
  - 3. **Updating the Logo for the FLCA** Emma James volunteered to develop an updated logo for the FLCA that would replace the logo that was adopted in 2013 when there were only 13 and not 17 housing developments existing and participating in the FLCA. Ms. James prepared a wide range of potential logos,

with various kinds of cannons and scenes of Fort Lincoln shown. The chair asked that the logos first be presented to Communications Committee for a vote, so they could winnow down, and the committee could recommend the top two (or three) vote getters to the full Board at the Board's February 17, 2022, meeting for a final vote. Ms. James will email the logos to the members Communications Committee by January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## D. Education Committee -

- E. **Roads, Grounds and Recreation Committee** This Committee submitted a monthly report with update about its four (4) priorities.
  - 1. Lobbying for Additional Exits from Shops at Dakota Crossing The committee identified three steps that will be necessary to have the D.C. Council appropriate funds for, and approve, a 3<sup>rd</sup> exit from the Shops at Dakota Crossing, which in turn will ease congestion in and around the Fort Lincoln community.
  - 2. Monitoring Construction of the Fort Lincoln Campus More than THIRTY-NINE MILLION AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$39,000,000.00) has been approved for major construction and/or improvement of everything in and around the old Thurgood Marshall Elementary School. The Committee reached out to the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) in an effort to ensure that plans and planning is shared with the FLCA and that steady progress is made toward a groundbreaking and construction.
  - 3. Monitoring Bus Routes The committee will continue to check and ensure, as much as possible, that either the H6 bus service is expanded or that the B8 bus service is restored.
  - 4. Bike Trail/Bike Connection Through his membership on the D.C. Bicycle Advisory Committee, Parraize Butler will be providing updates. Thus far, there are no plans for a bike path through Fort Lincoln.
- F. Public Safety and Emergency Management Committee The Committee submitted a monthly report on the criminal incidents reported in the Fort Lincoln vicinity, during the past 30 days, which was submitted by Sgt. Harrison Grubbs of the 5<sup>th</sup> District MPD. There were 19 criminal incidents over the past 30 days: nine (9) were theft from autos, three (3) theft of stolen autos and seven (7) thefts. (Reporting Period: December 9, 2021, through January 8, 2022).

On January 15, 2022, per Mayor's Order 2021-148, the District of Columbia adopted a city-wide vaccination entry requirement that requires COVID-19 vaccination to enter indoor facilities within the city.

A hypothermia alert was issued in accordance with the District of Columbia's Cold Plan. Temperatures significantly increase your risk for hypothermia and frostbite. To request shelter transport for D.C. residents who are experiencing homelessness and outside, please call 311 or the shelter hotline (202) 399-7093. For animal emergencies, call the Humane Rescue Alliance at (202) 723-5730. For additional weather information and preparedness tips, visit <a href="https://ready.dc.gov/winterwx">https://ready.dc.gov/winterwx</a>.

- G. Senior Affairs Committee -
- H. Social Committee -
- I. Special Committee on Redistricting -
- 8. New Business

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 P.M.