

Minutes of the Ypsilanti Housing Commission Wednesday, November 17, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.
928 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti, MI 48197

Meeting called to order at 5:21pm by Commissioner Smith.

ROLL CALL:

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| • Commissioner Azzaro | Absent |
| • Commissioner Brown | Present |
| • Commissioner Palmer | Absent |
| • Commissioner Simmons | Present |
| • Commissioner Smith | Present |

Others present:

- Executive Director/CEO Z. Fosler

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: R. Smith asked if there were any changes to be made to the agenda. L. Brown moved to approve the agenda, second by M. Simmons.

Motion passed 3-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: R. Smith asked if there were any changes to be made to the meeting minutes of October 13, 2021. L. Brown moved to approve the minutes as written, second by M. Simmons.

Motion passed 3-0

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None.

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS: None.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

- **Regulatory, Oversight, & Legal Actions:** None.
- **Development Update:** Z. Fosler provided M. Simmons an overview of the YHC's development initiatives and discussion of strategy ensued.
- **Facilities/Security Updates:** The replacement roofing project at the YHC office is finally underway, with about 50% of the work remaining to complete. With cool weather setting in, we are seeing a reduction in violent and criminal activity on and around our properties.

Z. Fosler continues to participate in the Ypsilanti Violence Intervention Group. R. Smith encouraged the other board members to visit the YHC office and view the proposed redesign plan.

- **Finance Reports:** The board reviewed and discussed financial reports. Z. Fosler provided an overview of the reports. R. Smith asked about the reason that snow removal, water, and sewer are over budget. Z. Fosler agreed to research and report back.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- **Executive Assistant hiring:** Z. Fosler informed the board that the Executive Assistant position is posted on Indeed.
- **Continuum of Care funding results:** Z. Fosler informed the board that the recent application submitted to the Continuum of Care for funding the PSH supportive services position at New Parkridge was unsuccessful. He

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expressed frustration with the decision and intends to follow up with the County and possibly elected officials to look for a path forward for funding this essential program.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Brown: It is good to see everyone.

Commissioner Simmons: He asked about what areas the board looks at when reviewing the financials. Z. Fosler suggested that our asset manager at Chesapeake Community Advisors attend another YHC board meeting to explain our financial reports in detail and answer any questions the board might have.

Commissioner Smith: She is glad to be meeting in person. She is glad the Executive Assistant position is posted. She asked about any holiday plans that are in place for the staff. Z. Fosler stated that Lisa at KMG has offered to plan a holiday luncheon that would include staff from KMG, YHC, and FEP and YHC board members.

ADJOURN: M. Simmons moved to adjourn, second by L. Brown. **Passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:56pm**

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The Ypsilanti Housing Commission and its Board of Commissioners, of the City of Ypsilanti, Michigan, hereby authorize the Executive Director to sign the approved Board of Commissioners minutes of November 17, 2021.

	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT
Commissioner Azzaro	_____	_____	_____
Commissioner Brown	_____	_____	_____
Commissioner Palmer	_____	_____	_____
Commissioner Simmons	_____	_____	_____
Commissioner Smith	_____	_____	_____

Zachary D. Fosler, Executive Director & CEO