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2 COUNTY OF LAKE) SS:
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4 BEFORE THE EAST CHICAGO
5 REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
6 EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA

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8 REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS had at the meeting
9 before the East Chicago Redevelopment Commission,
10 reported by Kristen K. Stokes, CSR, Notary Public in
11 and for the County of Lake, State of Indiana, taken
12 via Zoom Video-Conferencing to be held at City Hall
13 Council Chambers, 4525 Indianapolis Boulevard, East
14 Chicago, Indiana 46312, on February 15, 2022,
15 scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m. in the evening.

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APPEARANCES:

- Christine Russell, Board President
- Rodger Gates, Board Vice President
- Christopher French, Board Secretary
- Delainah Valdez-Medina, Commissioner
- Randall Artis, Commissioner
- Frank Rivera, Executive Director
- Shelice Tolbert, Attorney
- Thomas Mesich, Financial Advisor
- Rochelle Rosas, Administrative Assistant
- James Portalatin, Building Commissioner
- and
- Members of the Public

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1 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: I'd like to go ahead
2 and call to order the East Chicago
3 Redevelopment Commission regular meeting,
4 City Hall Council Chambers, 4525 Indianapolis
5 Boulevard, Second Floor, East Chicago,
6 Indiana, February 15th, 2022, 5:00 p.m.

7 Please stand for the pledge of
8 allegiance.

9 (PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.)

10 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Roll call, please.

11 SECRETARY FRENCH: Delainah Valdez-Medina?

12 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Yes.

13 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christopher French?
14 Present.

15 Rodger Gates?

16 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Present.

17 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christine Russell?

18 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Present. Thank you.

19 We'll move on to the approval of the
20 regular meeting minutes for February 1st,
21 2022. May I have a motion?

22 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Motion for
23 approval, Valdez-Medina.

24 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Rodger Gates,
25 second.

1 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion was made by
2 Delainah Valdez-Medina, second by Rodger
3 Gates. Any comments or questions?

4 Roll call, please.

5 SECRETARY FRENCH: Delainah Valdez-Medina?

6 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Yes.

7 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christopher French?

8 Yes.

9 Rodger Gates?

10 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Yes.

11 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Yes. Motion carried.

12 Now on to the approval of the dockets.

13 The first one, Frank.

14 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: Yes, ma'am.

15 First off, let me say good evening to
16 everybody, Secretary, President, Vice
17 President and all the members and our
18 prestigious attorney, Ms. Shelice Tolbert.
19 Mr. James Portalatin is here tonight with us
20 and obviously Kristen over here from Boss
21 Reporters.

22 All right. The first approval of the
23 dockets is going to be a warrant that's the
24 City of East Chicago accounts payable warrant
25 report, and that's dated for 2/9/2022. The

1 warrant number is 0215 -- I'm sorry. I moved
2 ahead. It's 020422RD in the amount of
3 \$64,099.67.

4 SECRETARY FRENCH: Motion to approve by
5 Christopher French.

6 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Second,
7 Valdez-Medina.

8 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion was made by
9 Christopher French, second by Delainah
10 Valdez-Medina. Any comments or questions?

11 Roll call, please.

12 SECRETARY FRENCH: Delainah Valdez-Medina?

13 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Yes.

14 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christopher French?

15 Yes.

16 Rodger Gates?

17 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Yes.

18 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Yes. Motion carried.

19 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: Thank you.

20 Our second City of East Chicago accounts
21 payable warrant report is dated 2/9/2022.

22 Warrant number is 021522RD in the amount of
23 \$54,260.65.

24 SECRETARY FRENCH: Motion to approve by
25 Christopher French.

1 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Second,
2 Valdez-Medina.

3 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion was made by
4 Christopher French, second by Delainah
5 Valdez-Medina. Any comments or questions?

6 Roll call, please.

7 SECRETARY FRENCH: Delainah Valdez-Medina?

8 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Yes.

9 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christopher French?
10 Yes.

11 Rodger Gates?

12 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Yes.

13 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Yes. Motion carried.

14 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: Thank you,
15 Commissioners.

16 Now we go to the Harborside Apartments
17 Vendor Aging Report, and that's based on the
18 billing date as of 2/9/2022 for the total
19 amount of \$97,563.50. If I can have a
20 motion, please.

21 SECRETARY FRENCH: Motion to approve by
22 Christopher French.

23 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Second,
24 Valdez-Medina.

25 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion was made by

1 Christopher French, second by Delainah
2 Valdez-Medina. Any comments or questions?

3 I have one, Frank, considering the NIPSCO
4 bill. Why -- I mean, if everybody gets
5 monthly NIPSCO bills, why is that one dated
6 back to 10 of '21 for a hundred and -- what,
7 five days aged?

8 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: Yeah, I think
9 I will have Mr. Mesich answer that for you,
10 please.

11 MR. MESICH: Well, I can answer the
12 NIPSCO question. The reason that these bills
13 are so old is that we don't have the funding
14 secured yet from the passage of the 2022
15 budget for gaming dollars from -- the Common
16 Council cut our gaming dollars to zero, along
17 with other cuts.

18 So we are in the process of getting the
19 ordinance prepared, and it's going to be
20 presented at the next board meeting or Common
21 Council meeting so we can move forward in
22 getting these paid and create purchase
23 orders, because we don't have any funds to be
24 able to create the purchase orders to pay
25 these invoices.

1 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: I have a
2 comment, Madam President.

3 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Go ahead.

4 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Thank you.

5 So what you're saying, sir -- and I'm
6 sorry, I didn't get your name. My apologies.

7 What you're saying is that there is no --
8 when you say, "zero funds," that means
9 there's no money?

10 MR. MESICH: Our budget was zeroed out by
11 the Common Council.

12 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: So then, I
13 guess the question is is that you could have
14 went to the council and asked for this money
15 to be appropriated ahead of time; correct?

16 MR. MESICH: No.

17 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: No.

18 MR. MESICH: Because we didn't know what
19 the budget was until after the first of the
20 year.

21 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: Right,
22 because all the books need to be closed at a
23 certain point in time.

24 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Okay. Thank
25 you.

1 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Any other comments or
2 questions?

3 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Yeah, it's Randy
4 Artis. I'm here now. I'm running a little
5 late. That's all I've got.

6 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Welcome,
7 Randy.

8 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Thank you, Randy.

9 All right. If there are no other
10 comments or questions about the Harborside
11 report -- thank you for going through that --
12 roll call, please.

13 SECRETARY FRENCH: Randall Artis?

14 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Yes.

15 SECRETARY FRENCH: Delainah Valdez-Medina?

16 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Yes.

17 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christopher French?

18 Yes.

19 Rodger Gates?

20 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Yes.

21 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Yes. Motion carried.

22 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: Thank you,
23 Commissioners.

24 Now we go on to a bid ratification for
25 asbestos remediation for 2001 Franklin

1 Street, which James Portalatin will be having
2 a conversation with you, so please look at
3 your packet that we provided for you.

4 MR. PORTALATIN: James Portalatin, East
5 Chicago Building Commissioner. Before you,
6 you have a bid tabulation sheet that was
7 prepared by Amereco. They sent out an R.P.,
8 requesting proposals, for the asbestos
9 remediation at 2001 Franklin Street. It was
10 sent out to Safe Environmental Corp, M&O
11 Environmental Company and Midwest Service
12 Group. This is for asbestos, the floor tile
13 and mastic and some pipe fittings.

14 The lowest and most responsive bidder --
15 this was awarded at the Board of Works, and
16 the lowest, most responsive bidder was Safe
17 Environmental Corp at the amount of -- for
18 the amount of \$16,070. And so I'm requesting
19 that the Board of Redevelopment ratifies the
20 decision made at the Board of Works.

21 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Do we have a motion?

22 SECRETARY FRENCH: Motion to approve the
23 bid, Christopher French.

24 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Second,
25 Valdez-Medina.

1 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion was made by
2 Christopher French, second by Delainah
3 Valdez-Medina. Any comments or questions?

4 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Just one question.

5 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Roll call, please.

6 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Just one question.

7 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Go ahead, Mr. Gates.

8 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: I wanted to make
9 sure, that is the church, isn't it, the
10 Lutheran church?

11 MR. PORTALATIN: That's correct.

12 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: I just wanted to
13 make sure. I forgot the address on it.
14 Okay.

15 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Anyone else?

16 Roll call, please.

17 SECRETARY FRENCH: Randall Artis?

18 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Yes.

19 SECRETARY FRENCH: Delainah Valdez-Medina?

20 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Yes.

21 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christopher French?

22 Yes.

23 Rodger Gates?

24 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Yes.

25 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Yes. Motion carried.

1 MR. PORTALATIN: Thank you. Good
2 evening -- have a good evening.

3 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Always a
4 pleasure, James.

5 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Thank you, James.

6 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: We always
7 love for you to come in.

8 (EXIT MR. PORTALATIN.)

9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: So we move on
10 to the part of the agenda, which is an action
11 item to approve the request for purchase
12 order for Lake County Recorder's.

13 The Lake County Recorder's fee schedule
14 includes fees for filing of deeds, mortgages
15 and additional pages for property. The City
16 of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment
17 must pay the fees when it acquires property
18 and file any of those documents with the Lake
19 County Recorder. A purchase order in the
20 amount of \$3,000 is requested to pay said
21 fees in 2022. The rate chart for the Lake
22 County Recorder fees is attached.

23 Action is recommended to approve the
24 request for purchase order for 2022 Lake
25 County Recorder fees for property acquired by

1 Redevelopment and to authorize the Executive
2 Director to sign any necessary documents. It
3 is recommended that the following motion be
4 adopted verbatim.

5 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion to approve the
6 request for purchase order for Lake County
7 Recorder's through December 31, 2022, in the
8 amount of \$3,000 and to authorize the
9 Executive Director to sign the necessary
10 documents.

11 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Randy Artis, so
12 moved.

13 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Second,
14 Valdez-Medina.

15 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion was made by
16 Randy Artis, second by Delainah
17 Valdez-Medina. Any comments or questions?

18 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: I do have a
19 question.

20 Frank, are these for future payments?

21 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: They are for
22 current and future payments.

23 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Okay. Thank
24 you.

25 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Any other comments or

1 questions?

2 Roll call, please.

3 SECRETARY FRENCH: Randall Artis?

4 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Yes.

5 SECRETARY FRENCH: Delainah Valdez-Medina?

6 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Yes.

7 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christopher French?

8 Yes.

9 Rodger Gates?

10 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Yes.

11 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Yes. Motion carried.

12 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: Thank you.

13 We go to the next action item, and that's
14 to approve payment of all past due invoices
15 from the Water Department. The East Chicago
16 Department of Redevelopment received several
17 invoices dated from April through August of
18 2019 from the Water Department for 2200
19 Broadway, Fitzsimmons Building. After
20 several months of negotiation between
21 departments, it was decided by administration
22 that Redevelopment will be responsible going
23 forward for paying all current and past due
24 water and sewer bills for this location.

25 It was also determined that these

1 invoices were to be the responsibility of
2 the Redevelopment Department and duplicate
3 invoices were needed to process. These
4 invoices are over 60 days past due. The
5 total amount of past due invoices is
6 \$667.04.

7 Action is recommended to approve paying
8 the past due invoices from the Water
9 Department and to authorize the Executive
10 Director to sign the necessary documents.
11 It is recommended that the following motion
12 be adopted verbatim.

13 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion to approve
14 payment of all past due invoices from the
15 Water Department in the amount of \$667.04 and
16 to authorize the Executive Director to sign
17 the necessary documents.

18 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Randy Artis, so
19 moved.

20 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Second,
21 Valdez-Medina.

22 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion was made by
23 Randy Artis, second by Delainah Valdez-Medina.
24 Any comments or questions?

25 Roll call, please.

1 SECRETARY FRENCH: Randall Artis?

2 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Yes.

3 SECRETARY FRENCH: Delainah Valdez-Medina?

4 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Yes.

5 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christopher French?

6 Yes.

7 Rodger Gates?

8 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Yes.

9 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Yes. Motion carried.

10 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: Thank you.

11 We go to the next action item, which is
12 to approve payment of the past due invoice
13 from Braman Insurance.

14 East Chicago Department of Redevelopment
15 received an invoice dated 10/27/2020 from
16 Braman Insurance for property located at
17 4718 Indianapolis Boulevard, East Chicago,
18 Indiana. It was decided by administration
19 that Redevelopment will be responsible going
20 forward for paying all current and past due
21 insurance bills for this location. This
22 invoice is over 60 days past due. The total
23 amount of the past due invoice is \$197.

24 Action is recommended to approve paying
25 the past due invoice from Braman Insurance

1 and to authorize the Executive Director to
2 sign the necessary documents. It is
3 recommended that the following motion be
4 adopted verbatim.

5 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion to approve
6 payment of the past due invoice from Braman
7 Insurance in the amount of \$197 and to
8 authorize the Executive Director to sign the
9 necessary documents.

10 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Rodger Gates, so
11 moved.

12 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Second -- Randy
13 Artis, second.

14 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion was made by
15 Rodger Gates, second by Randy Artis. Any
16 comments or questions?

17 Roll call, please.

18 SECRETARY FRENCH: Randall Artis?

19 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Yes.

20 SECRETARY FRENCH: Delainah Valdez-Medina?

21 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Yes.

22 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christopher French?

23 Yes.

24 Rodger Gates?

25 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Yes.

1 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Yes. Motion carried.

2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: Thank you.

3 We go to the next action item is to
4 accept a bid offer to purchase the property
5 located at 505 West 143rd Street.

6 The Department of Redevelopment is
7 requesting authorization to accept an offer
8 to purchase the property located at 505 West
9 143rd Street, East Chicago, Indiana, in the
10 amount of \$8,000.

11 Action is recommended to accept \$8,000
12 for the purchase of 505 West 143rd Street and
13 to authorize the Executive Director to
14 process the necessary paperwork. It is
15 recommended that the following motion be
16 adopted verbatim.

17 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion to accept a
18 bid offer to purchase the property located at
19 505 West 143rd Street in the amount of \$8,000
20 and to authorize the Executive Director to
21 process the necessary paperwork.

22 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Valdez-Medina,
23 motion for approval.

24 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Rodger Gates,
25 second.

1 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion was made by
2 Delainah Valdez-Medina, second by Rodger
3 Gates. Any comments or questions?

4 Roll call, please.

5 SECRETARY FRENCH: Randall Artis?

6 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Yes.

7 SECRETARY FRENCH: Delainah Valdez-Medina?

8 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Yes.

9 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christopher French?

10 Yes.

11 Rodger Gates?

12 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Yes.

13 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Yes. Motion carried.

14 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIVERA: Thank you,
15 Commissioners.

16 We go on to the Resolution No.
17 2022-RED-1876. It's an Interlocal Agreement
18 between the Board of Works and the East
19 Chicago Department of Redevelopment
20 concerning Harborside Public Housing Complex
21 for fiscal year 2022.

22 A resolution of the East Chicago
23 Redevelopment Commission ratifying previous
24 actions of the East Chicago Board of Public
25 Works regarding the Interlocal Agreement

1 between the City and East Chicago
2 Department of Redevelopment concerning the
3 Harborside Public Housing Complex for
4 fiscal year 2022.

5 Whereas, the Redevelopment Commission
6 is authorized by Indiana Code 36-1-4-16 to
7 ratify previous actions of the City of East
8 Chicago if those actions could have been
9 approved in advance.

10 And whereas, the City of East Chicago
11 Board of Public Works on February the 10th,
12 2022, authorized its Board President to
13 execute an Interlocal Agreement for
14 supplemental funding for Harborside Public
15 Housing Complex on behalf of the Board of
16 Public Works and forward the same to the
17 East Chicago Redevelopment Commission for
18 consideration.

19 And whereas the Redevelopment
20 Commission desires to ratify said actions
21 and adopt said actions of the City of East
22 Chicago Board of Public Works.

23 And whereas, the Redevelopment
24 Commission authorizes its Commission
25 President to execute said Interlocal

1 Agreement for supplemental funding for
2 Harborside Public Housing Complex on behalf
3 of the East Chicago Department of
4 Redevelopment.

5 Now, therefore, be it resolved by the
6 Redevelopment Commission that:

7 Section one. The actions previously
8 taken by the City of East Chicago Board of
9 Public Works related to the Interlocal
10 Agreement between the City and the East
11 Chicago Department of Redevelopment
12 concerning the Harborside Public Housing
13 Complex are hereby ratified.

14 Section 2. The above actions are
15 adopted as actions of the Redevelopment
16 Commission effective the date of said
17 action by the City of East Chicago Board of
18 Public Works.

19 Section 3. The Redevelopment
20 Commission authorizes its President to
21 execute the Interlocal Agreement between
22 the City and the East Chicago Department of
23 Redevelopment concerning supplemental
24 funding of Harborside Public Housing
25 Complex.

1 Section 4. This resolution shall be
2 effective on its adoption and passage.

3 Adopted this 15th day of February, 2022.

4 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Resolution No.
5 2022-RED-1876. A resolution of the East
6 Chicago Redevelopment Commission ratifying
7 previous actions of the East Chicago Board of
8 Public Works regarding the Interlocal
9 Agreement between the City and East Chicago
10 Department of Redevelopment concerning the
11 Harborside Public Housing Complex for FY,
12 fiscal year, 2022.

13 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Randy Artis, so
14 moved.

15 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Second,
16 Valdez-Medina.

17 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion was made by
18 Randy Artis, second by Delainah
19 Valdez-Medina. Any comments or questions?

20 Roll call, please.

21 SECRETARY FRENCH: Randall Artis?

22 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Yes.

23 SECRETARY FRENCH: Delainah Valdez-Medina?

24 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Yes.

25 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christopher French?

1 Yes.

2 Rodger Gates?

3 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Yes.

4 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Yes. Motion carried.

5 We'll move on to public expression. Is
6 there any today?

7 (NO RESPONSE.)

8 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: May we have a motion
9 to adjourn?

10 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Motion to adjourn.

11 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Randy Artis, second.

12 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Motion was made by
13 Rodger Gates, second by Randy Artis.

14 Roll call, please.

15 SECRETARY FRENCH: Randall Artis?

16 COMMISSIONER ARTIS: Yes.

17 SECRETARY FRENCH: Delainah Valdez-Medina?

18 COMMISSIONER VALDEZ-MEDINA: Yes.

19 SECRETARY FRENCH: Christopher French?

20 Yes.

21 Rodger Gates?

22 VICE PRESIDENT GATES: Yes.

23 PRESIDENT RUSSELL: Yes. Motion carried.

24 Thank you, everybody.

25 (MEETING WAS CONCLUDED AT 5:13 PM.)

1 STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
2 COUNTY OF LAKE)

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4 BEFORE THE EAST CHICAGO
REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
5 EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA

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7 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

8 I, KRISTEN K. STOKES, CSR, Notary Public in
9 and for the County of Lake, State of Indiana, do
10 hereby certify that I reported in machine shorthand
11 the foregoing proceedings had in the above-entitled
12 matter, at the time and place herein set forth; and
13 I do further certify that the foregoing transcript,
14 consisting of 26 (twenty-six) typewritten pages, is
15 a true and correct transcript of my said
16 stenographic notes.

17 Signed this 17th day of February, 2022.


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21 KRISTEN K. STOKES
CSR# 084-003723
22 My Commission Expires: 8/27/23
Notary Public: Lake County, Indiana
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1 APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
2 OF TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2022
3 APPROVED & SIGNED TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2022
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6 Christine Russell
7 President

Rodger Gates
8 Vice President

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10 Christopher French
11 Secretary

Delainah Valdez-Medina
12 Commissioner

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14 Randall Artis
15 Commissioner


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17 Executive Director
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