

**FAIR HOUSING BOARD MEETING**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**

**March 18, 2015**

The Fair Housing Board meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM on March 18, 2015, in the Conference Room at City Hall.

Present for the meeting were Board Members Vince Loparo, Bruce Konya, and Secretary Tim Pope. Also in attendance was Tissy Simon, Mayor Gillock's Secretary. Board members excused the absence of Denny Johnson.

Mr. Pope distributed agendas for the meeting, and minutes of the December 2014 meeting, which were approved by the board.

The board discussed development of a web page as part of the City of North Ridgeville web site. Tissy Simon showed the board examples of web pages from other city committees. Content of the page was discussed including links to other sites and how the board can utilize the web page to provide better transparency including board minutes, agendas and copies of the required pamphlets. It was decided that at this time, unless required by law that only the board members' names be included on the web site and not addresses and phone numbers. It was decided not to develop a complaint form since it is easy for potential complaints to be filed complaints by telephone. Ms. Simon will develop the web page.

Mr. Pope commented that there have been no new complaints filed.

The Board reviewed the status of open items from the December 2014 meeting and wanted to know the results of the potential violations from the federal audit on a local apartment house.

Mr. Pope explained the status of the 2015 Grant program. He explained that City Council had just passed an ordinance this week to apply for the 2015 grant and that the grant program would only be for one year in the amount of \$175,000. This was necessary so the city could get on a different grant cycle to enable the City to partner with another governmental entity so that it can get back to the \$400,000 grant level. It was explained that the fed has reduced funding to \$350,000 for municipalities who apply for grants on their own. Mr. Pope explained that the City of North Ridgeville had three options this year.

- 1) Apply on its own for a one year program grant in the amount of \$175,000. Half of a two year grant.
- 2) Skip a year to get on the new grant cycle.
- 3) Continue as the city has in the past, on its own for a \$350,000 two year program

The City opted for the first option.

The 2015 meeting schedule was reviewed and all present were in agreement.

There were no new items to be discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:05AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Timothy Pope  
Executive Secretary