# FAIR HOUSING BOARD MEETING Minutes of the Meeting

## October 19, 2021

## Call to Order

The Fair Housing Board meeting was called to order at 10:01 AM on October 19, 2021 in the Conference Room at City Hall.

## Roll Call

Present for the meeting were board members Bob Esper, Bruce Konya, and executive secretary Brian Keller.

Vince Loparo was absent.

## Approval of Minutes

The board approved the minutes of the December 18, 2019 meeting. (The 05/20/20, 12/16/20, & 03/18/21 meetings were cancelled due to COVID) Motion made by B. Konya.

Seconded by R. Esper.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### Old Business

None

#### **New Business**

- B. Keller reiterated that the city no longer directly administered the Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) grants nor Community Development Block Grants. They are now being administered by Lorain County since North Ridgeville is under the 25% LMI (Low to Moderate Income) threshold.
- B. Keller stated that he received a few phone calls that were disputes between landlords & tenants & didn't fall under the jurisdiction of the Fair Housing Board but refers those individuals to the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland, Tenants Rights Information Line. No verbal or written notifications were received between the December 18, 2019 meeting and the October 19, 2021 meeting pertaining to fair housing issues. The upcoming meetings of the Fair Housing Board in 2022 was tentatively scheduled for March & October.
- R. Esper asked what else the board could do to serve the community since there aren't any cases for the board to hear at the moment.
- B. Keller said to become more familiar with the CHIP grant and encourage individuals to contact Lorain County to get assistance with the application process.
- B. Konya asked if the CHIP grant covered electrical issues. B. Keller said he believed they did in certain cases but would obtain the correct information and report back.

## Adjourn

Motion made by R. Esper.
Seconded by B. Konya.
Motion passed unanimously.
The meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM.