

**MINUTES OF AN ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
MICHIGAN CITY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MARCH 16, 2022**

The Michigan City Redevelopment Authority convened for their annual organizational meeting, on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. local time, in the Planning Department Conference Room (East) of City Hall, 100 East Michigan Boulevard, Michigan City, Indiana; the date, hour, and place duly established for the holding of said meeting.

State Statute IC 36-7-14.5-9 requires an organizational meeting for the purpose of electing a president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer to perform the duties of those offices. The board may also elect an assistant secretary-treasurer.

CALL TO ORDER

Incumbent Vice-President Nicholas Walz called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:

William Gertner, Nicholas Walz

Members absent:

1 vacancy

Staff present:

Executive Director Skyler York, Administrative Assistant Debbie Wilson

A quorum was noted, and the meeting proceeded.

REORGANIZATION – ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Note for the record that 2021 officers were Nicholas Walz, Vice-President; William Gertner, Secretary-Treasurer; Skyler York, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. There is still one vacancy with appointment to be made by the Mayor.

Mr. Walz opened the floor for nominations.

Mr. Gertner made a motion to keep the same slate of officers for 2022 as was in 2021, with Nicholas Walz as Vice-President, himself as Secretary-Treasurer, and Skyler York as Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, with the still vacant President role.

Mr. Gertner and Mr. Walz indicated their willingness to serve in those positions again this year.

There were no other nominations, therefore nominations were closed.

Mr. Walz seconded the motion. With a motion and second on the floor, the nominations were unanimously approved by voice vote.

2022 officers are: Nicholas Walz, Vice-President; William Gertner, Secretary-Treasurer; and Skyler York serving as Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. There is one vacancy.

Mr. York announced for the general public that there is one vacancy on the board in case there is a banker, or someone interested in this position. There is a requirement that they must be a resident of Michigan City. They would apply at the Mayor's Office.

Mr. Walz stated that it would be helpful to have someone with investment and/or municipal bond knowledge, although it is not required.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Mr. Walz commented that people are excited about the double tracking.

Mr. York added that development is happening in Michigan City. The double tracking is driving some of it but not all of it. People in general are excited about Michigan City as well. He said there are two opposing development opportunities – the beach and double track transit development.

Mr. Walz said he does not think there necessarily is an either or. He thinks Michigan City will have an improving vision of itself, which he is pleased to see. He said since he has lived in the area, he has seen the Downtown from its very bottom at nothing, and to see it grow back to the way it is now is an exciting place to be. Mr. Walz stated that any new development will be positive, and he thinks it will be a strong plus for Michigan City, although it will be a challenge for everyone involved in municipal development.

Mr. Gertner stated that Michigan City is on the cusp of some exciting opportunities that are once in a lifetime for all of us. He said he looks forward to hopefully being a part of that in seizing some of these opportunities and he would love for more people to recognize what is here.

Mr. Walz stated that he thinks that is happening.

PUBLIC COMMENT

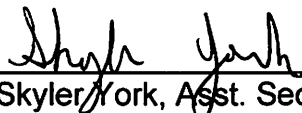
(None)

ADJOURNMENT

The chair entertained a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Gertner moved to adjourn – seconded by Mr. Walz and unanimously approved.

Vice-President Walz declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:11 p.m.



Skyler York, Asst. Secretary-Treasurer