

**Land Bank Board Meeting Minutes
Courthouse Annex Conference room
04/11/2019**

Meeting was called to order by: Bonnie Summers at 1:00 PM

In attendance:

- Vince Witherup-Commissioner
- Albert Abramovic-Commissioner
- Bonnie Summers-Chair
- Diona Brick-Fiscal
- Julie Thompson-Tax Claim
- Robert Walter-Assessment
- Barb Cisek McGarvey-Residential Representative
- Paul Calderone-Residential Representative
- Jason Ruggiero-Planning
- Joshua Sterling-Planning
- Nancy Marano-Emlenton Borough
- Mary Swisher-Assessment
- William Moon Jr-City of Oil City
- Sheila Boughner-City of Franklin
- Barrie Brancato-Cranberry Township
- Patrick Owoc-Housing
- Warren Thomas-Residential Representative
- Curtis Greene-City of Oil City
- Andy Weckerly
- Chuck Gibbons

Motion was made by Warren Thomas to accept last month's 03/14/2019 meeting minutes, 2nd by William Moon, Jr, all in favor.

Introduction of any guests: Kevin Ross, Cranberry Township Resident

Treasurer's report: Given by Diona Brick

Fund 2770 (which is the register and recording fees monies) currently has a \$25,289.52 balance.

Public Comment:

Kevin Ross voiced his concern regarding the properties on the Repository list. He believes the Land Bank should review this list and demo any houses on the list and then in turn sell the property to the neighbors, in order to get the property back on the tax rolls. He also expressed concern regarding blight properties and the abandoned mobile homes throughout the county.

Old Business:

Planning-update on the use of CDGB monies for demo of 23 Hiland Avenue in Rouseville

Josh stated that he toured the property and he agrees it does need to be demo'd. The Borough is in the process of condemning the property at which time after it is condemned it is ok to be demo'd.

2019 Judicial Sale Update

Julie Thompson stated the date is May 9th at 1:30 in Courtroom 1.

Julie stated she did receive a letter from the City of Franklin requesting the Land Bank obtain 319 Erie Street on their behalf from the Judicial Sale.

A motion was made by William Moon, Jr to accept this request 2nd by Warren Thomas

William Moon, Jr made a motion for Nancy Marano to represent the Land Bank in purchasing properties on their behalf at the Judicial Sale, 2nd by Paul Calderone.

Albert Abramovic made a motion that Bonnie Summers be an alternate if Nancy Marano is unavailable to represent the Land Bank at the Judicial Sale, 2nd by Sheila Boughner.

Update on 207 Liberty Street and other Erie street Repository properties

Sheila stated that they are waiting on funds to demo 207 Liberty but will hopefully be within the next couple of weeks. Sheila also stated the City of Franklin is interested in obtaining the Erie Street properties from Repository.

Was Joyce able to do a map of demo'd properties within the county?

Jason did provide the member's with a map to look at.

Review and vote on the dumpster policy

Diona did share with the members a copy of the policy, it was suggested that the following changes be made.

- **The number of dumpsters will not exceed \$5,000 per year. The Land Bank will review that figure at the end of each year.**
- **The organization will bring in a receipt stating the dumpster has been paid in full at which time the Land Bank will reimburse them up to \$500.00 per dumpster.**

A motion was made by Warren Thomas to accept this policy once the changes have been made 2nd by William Moon, Jr.

A motion was also made by Sheila Boughner to pay for the dumpster for Community Services for a demo they did in January, 2nd by Warren Thomas.

Julie is going to send letters out to each municipality informing them of the dumpster availability. She is also going to have this information added to the web site.

Can the Land Bank apply for their own homes grant?

Jason Ruggiero stated that they possibly could, however he believes that the Land Bank is under staffed to handle this process.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday May 9, 2019 at 1:00 PM in Courtroom 1 (Diona is going to ensure that signs are put on the doors to notify people of the meeting being held in the Courthouse.)

Meeting adjourned at 2:10 PM. Motion was made by Diona Brick, 2nd by, Sheila Boughner all in favor

Submitted by: Mary Swisher