

Erie County Land Reutilization Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
May 4, 2022
10:30 AM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pat Shenigo, Matt Old, Caleb Stidham, Jonathon Holoday, Angela Byington, Matt Lasko, Rob Quinn

STAFF: Tim King, Alex Jones

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Mr. Shenigo.

CONSIDERATION OF MARCH 30, 2022 MINUTES- Mr. Shenigo called for a motion to approve the March 30, 2022 ECLRC meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Stidham moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Old seconded the motion. Upon discussion Mr. Quinn asked that his attendance be added to the March 30th meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS- Ms. Byington reported on the Homeville Neighborhood Project. She reviewed the 6 properties currently owned by the Township, noted that 9 units have been demolished and one sold.

She then reviewed the 4 properties that are proposed to be acquired, including 818 Force Ave., 3614 Beatty Ave., 403 Dewitt Ave. and a Grant Ave. property.

Mr. Stidham inquired regarding Perkins Township's timeline to acquire properties. Ms. Byington stated that the Township has budgeted \$100,000 for 2022 and would like to acquire them by the end of 2022. She noted that the Township views the role of the Land Bank to look out for the neighborhood. Mr. Old noted that the role of the Land Bank is to get properties back on the tax rolls. He added that he'd prefer to transfer the property to an adjacent property owner that will start paying taxes versus to the Township where it would continue tax free until a future use can be determined. Mr. Stidham noted that he was skeptic if the Township could find a developer for these small lots. Mr. Shenigo applauded the Township's efforts but agreed with Mr. Stidham and Mr. Old regarding the delay in returning these to the tax rolls if transferred to the Township. Mr. Quinn noted that the goal for the Land Bank should be returning the lots to the highest and best use; a house on the lot.

Mr. Stidham motioned to authorize the Land Bank Director to work with the Township regarding 3614 Beatty Ave. contingent on a conversation with the adjacent property owner. Seconded by Mr. Quinn. All ayes. Motion carried.

Regarding 3508 Grant Ave. Mr. Stidham motioned to give Perkins Township 60 days to transfer the property to the adjacent property owner. If not the property would revert to the Land Bank. Seconded by Mr. Shenigo. All ayes. Motion carried.

GENERAL DISCUSSIONS – Mr. Jones noted there are 13 properties currently owned by the ECLRC in the City of Sandusky that are set to transfer.

Mr. Jones noted that to date the DTAC has collected \$195,000 and is seeking projects. There was a general discussion regarding establishing rules for distributing DTAC funding. Mr. Jones said he's trying to keep things as simple as possible with the political jurisdiction doing the work and the Land Bank reimbursing the political jurisdiction.

Without anything further to discuss Mr. Stidham motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Old. All ayes. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:49 AM.

Respectively Submitted,

Tim King
Secretary *pro tem* ECLRC