



Oakland County Land Bank Authority

Approved Minutes

September 13, 2023

- Call to Order at 11:04am.
 - Wittenberg (P) Campbell (P) Manna (Absent - Excused) Mitchell (P) Stephens (P)
- Approval of Agenda
 - Motion to approve amended agenda by Mitchell. Second by Campbell. **APPROVED**
- Approval of 7-13-23 Minutes
 - Motion to approve minutes by Mitchell. Second by Stephens. **APPROVED**
- Public Comment regarding items on agenda only
 - None
- Executive Director report
 - Will be covered in Old and New Business.
- Old Business
 - Blight Elimination Program update
 - Round 1 – GMMH stabilization
 - 2 houses work is active. Roof replacement. Adjacent demolition.
 - Round 2 - stabilization of WWJ Building in Oak Park
 - Meeting Friday to follow up on plans and work through scope of work. Then will select General Contractor from FMO procured vendors.
 - 31505 Grand River, Farmington – Old Winery building
 - Unexpected easement on property. Extended purchase agreement.
- New Business
 - First Annual Report shared. Will be submitted to Board of Commissioners and State Land Bank Authority.
 - Blight Elimination Round 3 - \$500,000 funding
 - Potential project: 859 Emerson – demolition of privately owned school. Planned unit development of small houses.
 - Perdue School demolition possibility – owned by City of Pontiac. Pike Street linear trail is adjacent to this school. Other possibility could be flat park – basketball/tennis/pickleball then used as overflow parking at few times a year.
 - Environmental – 361 S Paddock, BEA and Phase I. Owned by County Treasurer. Centro La Familia would like to use it as a Community Center.
 - Authorization and Resolution to apply for Round 4 Blight Elimination Program funding

- Potential project: 6 Green, Pontiac. Owned by County Treasurer at Green and Huron. 3 story apartment building. OLSHA interested in weatherization training – submitted a community center grant from LEO. Our grant would cover the stabilization and rehabilitation. County Treasurer owns vacant lots nearby for parking.
- Hazel Park inquiry to review what they may have in qualified census tracks and publicly owned property.
- Find a couple more projects. Discuss with City of Pontiac. Possibly swap property with Pontiac if needs to be in qualified census track for property that isn't but project will still get done.
- Motion to authorize Executive Director to apply for Blight Elimination Round 4 competitive funding by Stephens. Second by Mitchell. **APPROVED by roll call vote.**

** Blight Elimination Program Allowable Activities in HUD Qualified Census Tracts: Demo, stabilization, environmental, acquisition, rehabilitation only on publicly owned property*

- Public Comment
 - None
- Other Business
 - First Housing Trust Fund Board Meeting on Wednesday, September 20th at 4pm in Committee Room A. Will release first application after authorized by board. October 6th deadline to get approval by December 1st deadline. Expect one application to be partner with Land Bank – 111 Oneida. Developer has been actively pursuing many angles including local government, community, state and CDFIs.
 - Economic Development helped on Emerson project with US EPA grant. Next round of US EPA grant will start in November. Considering next area to be downtown Pontiac with loop project to seek low to middle income housing. Consortium grant was \$600,000 over three years.
 - Oakland County Community Showcase – October 27th at Executive Office Building.
- Next meeting date – Thursday, November 16, 2023. Current room is booked. If cancel, we will notify two weeks in advance.
- Adjournment at 11:43am.