

MINUTES OF THE STARK COUNTY LAND REUTILIZATION CORPORATION
October 18, 2021

The Stark County Land Reutilization Corporation met for their regular meeting on Monday, October 18, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Stark County Regional Planning Commission Conference Room.

Board Members

Alex Zumbar

Bill Smith

Janet Creighton

John Arnold

1. CALL TO ORDER – Alex Zumbar, SCLRC Chairman

2. ROLL CALL – Board Members Present

Roll call found the following Board members in attendance: Alex Zumbar, Bill Smith, Janet Creighton and John Arnold. Lem Green - absent

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2021 MEETING

Zumbar moved and Arnold seconded to approve the minutes of September 20, 2021 meeting. Roll call vote: Zumbar - yes, Smith - yes, Creighton – yes, Arnold - yes. Motion carried.

4. PUBLIC SPEAKS – No public speaks

5. TREASURER/FISCAL REPORT

Heather Cunningham reviewed the Treasurer’s Report for the month of September. Creighton moved and Smith seconded to approve the Treasurer’s Report as submitted. Roll call vote: Zumbar - yes, Smith - yes, Creighton – yes, Arnold - yes. Motion carried.

Budget Transfer Approval

Arnold moved and Smith seconded to approve the budget transfer of \$5,000 from the Side Lot account to the TAAP account. Roll call vote: Zumbar - yes, Smith - yes, Creighton – yes, Arnold - yes. Motion carried.

6. SIDE LOT/VACANT LOT PROGRAM REPORT

Sarah Peters presented the Side Lot/Vacant Lot Program Update:

Total Applications Submitted: 2,236

(8 applications were received since Sept. '21 update)

Cities – 1,854

Canton: 1,468, Massillon: 146, Alliance: 240

Other Communities – 382

Bethlehem Twp – 43, Brewster – 9, Canal Fulton – 1, Canton Twp – 74, East Canton – 7, East Sparta – 2, Hartville – 3, Jackson Twp – 6, Lake Twp – 6, Lawrence Twp – 11, Lexington Twp – 48, Limaville – 2, Louisville – 2, Marlboro – 1, Meyer’s Lake – 1, Minerva – 4, Nimishillen – 6, North Canton – 2; Osnaburg Twp – 15, Paris Twp – 3, Perry Twp – 16, Pike Twp – 21, Plain Twp – 37, Sandy Twp – 41, Sugarcreek Twp – 6, Tuscarawas Twp – 2, Washington Twp – 5, Waynesburg – 6, Wilmot-1

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- Total Number of Applications under Preliminary Review: 0
 - Total Number of Applications Denied: 841
 - Number of Canceled Applications/Fee Refunded: 172
 - Total Number Pending Approval by Community: 24
 - **Total Number of Approved Applications: 1,193**

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- Total Number of Approved Applications Pending Deposit Receipt / NIP Early Lien Release Approval / Request for Foreclosure / Completed Foreclosure Proceeding: 145
 - Total Number Being Prepared for Transfer: 33
 - **Total Number Transferred to Date: 1,015**

Vacant Lot Program Update:

Total Applications Submitted: 304

(16 Applications received since Sept. '21 update)

Cities – 225; Canton: 192, Alliance: 23, Massillon: 10

Other Communities – 79

Bethlehem Twp – 47, Canton Twp – 7, Hartville – 1, Jackson Twp – 2, Lake – 1, Lexington Twp – 6, Nimishillen – 1, Paris – 1, Perry – 1, Sandy Twp – 7; Sugarcreek Twp – 1, Washington Twp – 4,

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- Total Number of Applications under Preliminary Review: 13
 - Total Number of Applications Denied: 189
 - Number of Canceled Applications/Fee Refunded: 7
 - Total Number Pending Approval by Community: 39
 - **Total Number of Approved Applications: 56**

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- Total Number of Approved Applications Pending Executed MOU/ Completion of Foreclosure Proceeding: 19
 - Total Number Being Prepared for Transfer: 0
 - Total Number Transferred to Date: 37

Zumbar moved and Arnold seconded to approve the Side Lot/Vacant Lot report as presented. Roll call vote: Zumbar - yes, Smith - yes, Creighton – yes, Arnold - yes. Motion carried.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Targeted Acquisition Program Requests

- Iron Workers Local 550 (Parcel 208032)

Peters stated the Iron Workers Local 550 is a nonprofit organization named 618 High Avenue Corporation who is asking the Land Bank's assistance in acquiring this tax delinquent, vacant lot where the back of this requested parcel does touch their property. Creighton moved and Smith seconded to approve the targeted acquisition request as submitted by Iron Workers Local 550. Roll call vote: Zumbar - yes, Smith - yes, Creighton – yes, Green – Yes, Arnold - Yes. Motion carried.

8. OLD BUSINESS

a. BishopsGate Update

Nau gave an update on the BishopsGate property. The property is currently being cleaned up by the USEPA with a \$500,000 grant. He requested the Board grant him permission to accept the property from the forfeited lands list when it becomes available. They envisioned the Land Bank taking title to the property and then partnering with Lake Township with a 50/50 demo, and after this property is given a clean bill of health from the EPA, then the property would be disposed of in some way. If there are some revenues coming from it, then they could split it with the township. But all he was asking permission from today was to be authorized to accept it from the Auditor's forfeited lands list. Creighton moved and Smith seconded to authorize Nau to accept the BishopsGate property when it becomes available on the Auditor's forfeited lands list. Roll call vote: Zumbar - yes, Smith - yes, Creighton – yes, Arnold - yes. Motion carried.

9. NEXT MEETING – Monday, November 15, 2021, 9:00 a.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT - As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:12 a.m.