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Board Members: Gary Cole, Jennifer Kuns, Doug Weisenauer, Jeff Reser, Jenny Vermillion Barb McCullough, Manager; Cory Estes, Project Director

August 9, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Gary Cole called the meeting to order at 3:07pm with the following members and guests present:

Gary Cole Jennifer Kuns - excused Jeff Reser, Bucyrus City Mary Smith, Crawford County Commissioners Jenny Vermillion Barb McCullough, CCLRC Manager Cory Estes, Landbank Project Director Bob Johnston, Galion City John Rostash, Bucyrus City Gary Frankhouse, Crawford County Partnership

Minutes were distributed. Gary noted that he was absent at the last meeting and Jennifer Kuns called the meeting to order. Motion was made to accept the amended minutes by Mary, with a second by Jeff. Motion carried.

Financial report was presented. Motion to accept was made by Mary with a second by Jeff, motion carried. DTAC monies should be a little over \$16,000

Bills to be paid were presented amounting to about \$100. Mary made the motion to pay the bills with a second by Jeff, motion passed.

Project Director Report

Cory gave an update to those present on the 1st round of demolitions. Tiro is finished and wanted to comment that GMC Excavation is very thorough and does good work. There are two houses cleared in Bucyrus and with the festival the sequence of demo's would be shifted as not to interfere. GMC then planned to go to Galion and finish with Crestline.

Cory also suggested that we have an annual contract for the asbestos analysis portion of the demolitions for efficiency purposes. The group was receptive to the idea but no vote was taken.

Old Business

Gary gave an update on the upcoming Sheriff Sales from which the CCLRC could potentially get 11 properties and that the donations of properties are still in the works.

Of the three Strauch properties for donation, Gary has received signed documents for two thus far.

Gary is still making calls and following up on leads. 112 Wiley St. is still a work in progress. He also told the group that he received a bill for underground tanks which are now gone.

New Business

Gary posed the question of expanding the group from 5 to 7 to have a "deeper reservoir" from which to draw future officers, and asked our kind consideration.

Other Business

Bob asked for clarification if the neighbor who wanted a demoed lot needed to be in good standing with the county because he had been asked at a Galion City Council meeting. The answer: yes.

Cory and Barb tag teamed on informing the group of a complication in the Application for Side Lot. The current language states if more than one neighbor desires the recently vacated/cleared/demoed lot then it would be put up for bid. Some discussion followed and a proposal for changing the language entertained. The change would be necessary because the NIP grant does not allow for reimbursement if the sales amount is over \$200. Any language changes would need to be on the form as well as the website.

Gary told the group that Jared Miller, owner of the Warren St. structure that burned, requested from the group a "stipend" to cover the costs charged by the city since the structure was uninsured. After much discussion a motion was made to create a blanket offer of future property purchases of \$1000 per property contingent upon the value of the property, end user value, and all judgement decisions; based on reasonable logic and within the reimbursable limits of the NIP by Mary with a second by Jeff. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be August 23, 2017, 3pm, lower level conference room.

Bob queried how many more properties will be needed by the November deadline to which Gary surmised that CCLRC would need about 10 to 15.

We need 69, have 36 to that leaves 33 less the 18-23 in the pipeline.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mary, with a second by Jeff. Meeting was adjourned at 3:51pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jenny Vermillion, Secretary