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# Board Members: Gary Cole, Jennifer Kuns, Doug Weisenauer, Jeff Reser, Jenny Vermillion Barb McCullough, Manager

## January 11, 2017 Meeting Minutes

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

Jenny Vermillion Gary Cole Doug Weisenauer Jennifer Kuns Mayor Jeff Reser, Bucyrus City John Rostash, Bucyrus City Barb McCullough, CCLRC Manager Thomas Palmer, Galion City Law Director Bob Johnston, Galion City Gary Frankhouse, Crawford County Education and Economic Development Partnership

(CCEEDP)

Minutes were distributed before the meeting. Motion was made to accept the minutes by Doug, with a second by Jennifer. Motion carried.

Treasurer report was presented. Doug made the motion to accept with a second by Jeff. Motion carried.

Motion was made to add Doug, appointed by the Commissioners as member of the CCLRC replacing Mr. Steve Reinhard, and remove Steve Reinhard as cosigners on CCLRC checks by Jeff with a second by Jennifer, motion passed.

Gary informed the group that late February or early March CCLRC would receive the next installment of DTAC monies.

Bills were presented for consideration of payment. Doug made the motion to pay the bills as presented. Jennifer seconded, motion passed.

### **Old Business**

Gary briefed the group that the status of the contract between the Commissioners and the City of Bucyrus was still in progress. Gary Frankhouse told the group that the EPA had a few questions which have now been answered and was told that we should have the paperwork in the next 2 weeks. The 501C3 application has been approved and on file. The

contract/agreements with OHFA (NIP grant) have been accepted and we have access to funds if needed. There was no news on the progress of properties acquired by CCLRC. The contracts/agreements with the cities and villages need to be completed as soon as possible, without the contract/agreements in place, action cannot be taken on demolitions. Mr. Palmer queried about all the different versions of the contract he had received. Some discussion proceeded with explanations of the versions. Mr. Palmer will have discussions with Mr. Rob Ratliff, Law Director for the City of Bucyrus, and Mr. Russ Long, attorney for CCLRC. A brief mention was made regarding the CCEEDP mortgage contract the CCLRC.

### New Business

Gary indicated that a report of the NIP grant is required by OHFA with a due date of January 15, 2017 however, the report paperwork has not arrived to date (1/11/17). Gary and Barb would keep watch for it to arrive and expedite its return to OHFA.

Gary made special note Thanking former Commissioner Steve Reinhard for all his efforts in getting CCLRC to reality and his dedicated service to Crawford County.

## **Other Business**

Jeff questioned the progress of foreclosures from the last meeting. Gary stated that there were 37 turned over to the office of Prosecutor and that the properties were still in the process of getting complaints filed. The group wrangled with the process and progress with consideration of the looming deadline.

Gary emphasized to the group that the agreements between CCLRC and the municipalities/villages to receive property from said municipality/village and then return the property to said municipality/village needs to be in place. He indicated that Attorney Russ Long was working on the agreement. Some discussion followed.

The topic returned to the requirements of NIP grant for having ½ (or 35) of the properties in the grant under ownership by the CCLRC before May18th. Gary has gotten reassurances from the contributing offices that the properties and deadline will be met. Currently, CCLRC has or is close to having 12 of the 35.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jenny, with a second by Jennifer. Meeting was adjourned at 3:38pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jenny Vermillion, Secretary

### Next Meeting

Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at 3:00pm in the Lower Level conference room