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

## October 25, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Gary Cole called the meeting to order at 3:03pm with the following members and guests present:

Jenny Vermillion Mary Smith – Commissioner designee Bob Johnston, Galion City Cindy Edwards Gary Cole Jennifer Kuns John Rostash, City of Bucyrus Barb McCullough Cory Estes, Project Manager

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

A cumulative financial report was presented. Barb explained that there was a change in the format. Motion to accept was made by John with a second by Jennifer, motion carried.

Bills were presented for payment, approximately \$6200.00. Mary made the motion to pay the bills as presented with a second by Jennifer. Motion carried.

## Project Manager's Report

Discussed as presented on the agenda. The motion to accept Cory's recommendation to accept the sole bidder for the remediation 2017-AR08 was made by John with a second by Jennifer, motion passed. NIP grant administrators visited Crawford County on October 20, 2017. The offered a lot of help with the reimbursement process and visited demo sites. During their visit there was discussion on how to handle parcel demo and sales for an owner/occupant who also owns the building next door to be demoed. The conclusion was that adjacent parcels will still be sold to an owner/occupied for \$199, however, if someone else wished to purchase the property for future development, the parcel would be sold at fair market value and the proceeds would be sent to NIP. It was also discovered that lots cannot be sold to someone who wishes to use it for profit. NIP also provided their definition of "greening" to be seed and straw is ok but NIP wants to see landscaping. Cory stated that NIP wished us to put up fencing to keep cars off the property at the Water St. location near the soccer fields. Cory also informed the group that by the end of 2017 CCLRC should have roughly 32 properties down.

**Old Business** 

Gary informed the members that the title search was done on the 514 Prospect St. and that being bank owned, the bank was willing to sell to CCLRC and that he was going to call Brad Murtiff at United Bank.

420 S. Poplar St. is off the table for CCLRC involvement, St. Paul's Lutheran Church has made other arrangements. Gary said he is still working on the Berger property in Crestline. Update on the Strauch properties, Bucyrus City Law Director, Rob Ratliff has a signed copy of the agreement however, it was discovered that the mortgage has two people listed resulting in the necessity for further investigation.

Gary handed out the changes for the policy/procedure manual, discussion followed. Revised copies to be sent for review to each member to be signed and adopted at the next meeting.

## New Business

Bob asked about the property located at 763 S. Boston St., Galion which will have to be check to see if it falls into the target area. Bob stated that the owner wanted \$5000 and we could get it in time for the NIP. A title search would need to be done and would need to establish if any liens exist. The group considered if it would be less expensive to wait because it is eligible for foreclosure and acquire the property at that time.

It was decided that CCLRC would still meet the week of Thanksgiving as we all have to work regardless.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jennifer, with a second by John. Meeting was adjourned at 3:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jenny Vermillion, Secretary

Next Meeting

Wednesday, November 22, 2017 at 3:00pm in the lower level conference room