

**Mahoning County Land Reutilization Corporation**  
**Board Meeting Minutes (Meeting #87)**  
**June 25, 2019**

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Daniel R. Yemma, Chair  
David Ditzler  
Larry Moliterno  
Richard Chase  
Artie Spellman  
Gwen Bush  
Mike Pinkerton  
Rose Carter

**Board Members Absent:**

Carol Rimedio-Righetti

**Alternate Board Members in Attendance:**

none

**MCLRC Staff in Attendance:**

Debora Flora, Executive Director  
Cathie Hicks, Fiscal Officer  
Attorney Chris Sammarone

**Prosecutor's Staff in Attendance:**

Attorney Thomas Michaels

- Meeting was called to order by Daniel R. Yemma, Chair at 11:35 a.m.
- Meeting was held at Mahoning County Land Bank Office, 20 W. Federal Street, Suite 202, Youngstown, OH.

Daniel R. Yemma called for the approval of the April 23, 2019 meeting minutes.

- Richard Chase made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 23, 2019 meeting.
- ✓ Mike Pinkerton seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Daniel R. Yemma called for the approval of the March 26, 2019 special meeting minutes.

- Richard Chase made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 26, 2019 special meeting.
- ✓ David Ditzler seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Communication Items            None

Daniel R. Yemma called for the presentation of reports.

Debora Flora presented the Executive Director's report. Items highlighted included:

Commercial demo funding update

Groundbreaking on Helena Ave with YNDC  
 City Club of the Mahoning Valley greening presentation  
 Update on Canfield Township parcel for sale via auction  
 Signature Circle update  
 Land transfer to Rescue Mission  
 Work day with Home Savings & Loan  
 Ohio Land Bank Assoc quarterly meeting update  
 Website design update  
 Ohio Land Bank Conference announcement: Sept 18–20, 2019  
 Reclaiming Vacant Properties Conference Oct 2-4, 2019

Discussion followed regarding the additional NIP funding which will be available once current funds have been exhausted.

- Richard Chase made a motion to accept the Executive Director’s report as presented.
- ✓ Rose Carter seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously**

The Mahoning County Prosecutor’s Office presented a report. Atty. Michaels distributed hard copies of the report for review.

- David Ditzler made a motion to accept the Prosecutor’s report as presented.
- ✓ Mike Pinkerton seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

The Finance Committee’s report was presented by Larry Moliterno. He presented financial reports and highlighted the following:

Monthly financial statements – April & May 2019  
 Signature Circle update  
 Finance policy revision update

- Richard Chase made a motion to accept the Finance Committee’s report as presented.
- ✓ David Ditzler seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Executive Committee            none  
 Personnel Committee        none

Board Action

Daniel R. Yemma called for a motion to approve the Resolution In Support of HB252 to Create the Land Reutilization Demolition Program and to Make an Appropriation as presented.

- Larry Moliterno made a motion to approve the Resolution In Support of HB252 to Create the Land Reutilization Demolition Program and to Make an Appropriation as presented.
- ✓ Richard Chase seconded the motion.

**Roll was called.**

Richard Chase	Aye	Mike Pinkerton	Aye
David Ditzler	Aye	Larry Moliterno	Aye
Rose Carter	Aye	Artie Spellman	Aye
Gwen Bush	Aye	Daniel R Yemma	Aye

**Motion carried.**

Daniel R. Yemma stated that is worth noting that Debora Flora was one of few people called to testify at the state level for this bill. It was a noteworthy accomplishment for her and the organization.

#### New Business

Debora Flora introduced the 2019 YSU summer intern Jasmine Bailey. Jasmine spoke briefly regarding her experience and excitement to be part of the land bank organization.

Mike Pinkerton stated that Debora Flora and the land bank staff should be commended for their collaborative efforts with the Rescue Mission project.

#### Unfinished Business

Roger Smith joined the meeting and presented a demolition update.

Hard copies of the Demolition /Renovation report were distributed for review  
1,088 houses to be demolished  
Demos expected to be complete July 2019  
Greening delay due to the weather

Public Comments      none

#### Members Comments

Rose Carter requested information on a property near the Kitchen Incubator. Debora Flora will look into this for her.

Mike Pinkerton questioned if election of officers should take place.

Artie Spellman stated that perhaps research and testing should be done to the Canfield parcel in order to make it more marketable.

Daniel R. Yemma called for a motion to return to Board Action to vote on officers.

- David Ditzler made a motion to return to Board Action to vote on officers.
  - ✓ Richard Chase seconded the motion.
  - ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**
  
- David Ditzler made a motion to reappoint all current holding officers by affirmation.
  - ✓ Mike Pinkerton seconded the motion.
  - ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Chairman	Daniel R Yemma
Vice Chair	open
Treasurer	Larry Moliterno
Secretary	Mike Pinkerton
  
- David Ditzler made a motion to nominate Rose Carter as Vice Chair.
  - ✓ Larry Moliterno seconded the motion.
  - ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Rose Carter accepted the nomination.

- Mike Pinkerton made a motion to close the nominations.
  - ✓ Larry Moliterno seconded the motion.

- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**
  
- Larry Moliterno made a motion to appoint Rose Carter as Vice Chair.
- ✓ Artie Spellman seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**
  
- Richard Chase made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 p.m.
- ✓ Mike Pinkerton seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously; meeting adjourned.**

Minutes submitted by Cathie Hicks, Fiscal Officer, MCLRC.