

Mahoning County Land Reutilization Corporation
Board Meeting Minutes (Meeting #96)
February 23, 2021 (Zoom Meeting)

Board Members in Attendance:

Daniel R. Yemma, Chair
Richard Chase
Gwen Bush
Larry Moliterno
David Ditzler
James Harp
Mike Pinkerton – *outgoing Board Member*

Board Members Absent:

Carol Rimedio-Righetti
Rose Carter
Artie Spellman

Alternate Board Members in Attendance:

none

MCLRC Staff in Attendance:

Debora Flora, Executive Director
Cathie Hicks, Fiscal Officer
Roger Smith, Director of Planning, Acquisition and Disposition
Attorney Chris Sammarone

Prosecutor's Staff in Attendance:

Attorney Thomas Michaels

- Meeting was called to order by Daniel R. Yemma, Chairman at 11:35 am.
- Meeting was a virtual meeting via Zoom Video Conference

Daniel R. Yemma called for the approval of the December 15, 2020 meeting minutes.

- Richard Chase made a motion to approve the minutes from December 15, 2020 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:

Announcement of Nonprofit Leadership Summer Internship Program – intern hired
"Operation Pollination" partnership with local nonprofits, county government, residents & local business
Business Journal – "Thought Leaders" interview
Federal & State discussions regarding proposed legislation for land bank demolitions for commercial & residential properties
Ohio Land Bank quarterly meeting invite – March 18

10 Year Anniversary highlights – video campaign & Impact Report
Greening Guide release

Larry Moliterno entered the meeting @ 11:47 am

- Gwen Bush made a motion to accept the Executive Director’s report.
- ✓ Richard Chase seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Daniel R. Yemma announced that Board Member Mike Pinkerton was resigning and that James Harp, Sebring Village Mayor, had been appointed to the vacant seat. Daniel R. Yemma thanked Mike Pinkerton for his service.

Roger Smith presented the Renovation and Demolition report. Items highlighted included:

Housing renovations update
Housing acquisition

Mahoning County Prosecutor’s report was presented by attorney Thomas Michaels. January 2021 statistics were provided.

- Richard Chase made a motion to accept the Mahoning County Prosecutor’s report.
- ✓ David Ditzler seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

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

COVID impact on land bank financials appears to be minimal
Investment policy revision and update

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

Executive Committee none

Personnel Committee none

Board Action

Daniel R. Yemma called for a motion to approve the Revised Investment Policy as presented.

- Larry Moliterno made a motion to approve the Revised Investment Policy as presented.
- ✓ Richard Chase seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Discussion followed regarding the Finance Committee meeting on March 16, 2021 and presentations by potential investment advisors.

New Business none

Unfinished Business none

Public Comments none

Members Comments

David Ditzler thanked Mike Pinkerton for his time, input and professionalism as a Board Member.

Daniel R. Yemma stated that the next meeting would be in April; date notification will be sent to board members. He reminded everyone that all board members were invited to attend the March 16, 2021 Finance Committee meeting to discuss investment options.

- Richard Chase made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:03 pm.
- ✓ Gwen Bush seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Meeting adjourned.**

Minutes submitted by Cathie Hicks, Fiscal Officer, MCLRC.