

Mahoning County Land Reutilization Corporation
Board Meeting Minutes (Meeting #110)
April 18, 2023

Board Members in Attendance:

Daniel R. Yemma, Chair
Artie Spellman
Richard Chase
Gwen Bush

Board Members Absent:

Carol Rimedio-Righetti
Larry Moliterno
James Harp
David Ditzler

Alternate Board Members in Attendance:

Anna DeAscentis (for C. Rimedio-Righetti)

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:

none

- Meeting was called to order by Daniel R. Yemma, Chairman at 11:46 am.
- Meeting was held at Mahoning County Land Bank office; 100 East Federal Street, Suite 300, Youngstown, OH.

Daniel R. Yemma stated that this was the annual reorganizational meeting and he would deviate from the agenda to elect officers. The current slate of officers is:

Daniel R. Yemma	Chair
Vacant	Vice Chair
Richard Chase	Secretary
Larry Moliterno	Treasurer

- Richard Chase made a motion to nominate the current slate of officers.
- ✓ Gwen Bush seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Daniel R. Yemma called for the approval of the February 28, 2023 meeting minutes.

- Artie Spellman made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 28, 2023 meeting.
- ✓ Richard Chase 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:

- Update on the Royal Sebring China project kickoff March 20, 2023
- Reimbursement for ODOD grants is underway
- ODOD grants quarterly reports have been submitted
- Extension request for BDSR grant
- Ongoing negotiations with State Historic Preservation Office
- Current state draft budget contains funding for residential and brownfield projects
- April/May conferences – County Treasurers, Ohio Land Bank Assoc & Brownfield Conf
- MCLRC sponsor of Mahoning Valley Eviction Prevention Summit
- Current Policies & Procedures need to be refined – ongoing discussion with BOD & staff

Discussion followed regarding how to identify properties for future demolition & remediation funds from the State and the Royal Sebring China project kickoff.

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

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

- Hiring of part time staff members
- Demolition update – commercial & residential
- Housing renovations update

Discussion followed regarding source of funds for housing renovation projects/deed in escrow projects.

The Mahoning County Prosecutor was not in attendance, but sent a report. Statistics were presented. No discussion.

- Richard Chase made a motion to accept the Mahoning County Prosecutor's report.
- ✓ Artie Spellman seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

The Finance Committee's report was presented by Richard Chase. The Fiancé Committee met prior to the BOD meeting: quorum was not achieved. Items highlighted included:

- Monthly financial reports for board approval
- Review of Basic Financial Statements prepared by Rea & Assoc

- Daniel R. Yemma made a motion to accept the Finance Committee's report.
- ✓ Richard Chase seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Executive Committee	none
Personnel Committee	none
Planning Committee	none

Board Action

Daniel R. Yemma called for a motion to accept the 2022 Basic Financial Statements as prepared by Rea & Assoc.

- Anna DeAscentis made a motion to accept the 2022 Basic Financial Statements as prepared by Rea & Assoc.
- ✓ Richard Chase seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Daniel R. Yemma called for a motion to approve Lawn Service Maintenance Agreements for Municipal Action Corp LTD and Eartha Shade Enterprises as presented.

- Artie Spellman made a motion to approve Lawn Service Maintenance Agreements for Municipal Action Corp LTD and Eartha Shade Enterprises as presented.
- ✓ Richard Chase seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Daniel R. Yemma called for a motion to adopt a Resolution for a Line of Credit with First National Bank.

- Richard Chase made a motion to adopt a Resolution for a Line of Credit with First National Bank.
- ✓ Gwen Bush seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Daniel R. Yemma called for a motion to approve the Sub-award agreement with Mahoning County Commissioners regarding Local Match for Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program.

- Artie Spellman made a motion to approve the Sub-award agreement with Mahoning County Commissioners regarding Local Match for Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program.
- ✓ Richard Chase seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Motion passed unanimously.**

Discussion followed regarding eligibility to vote on this subject.

New Business	none
Unfinished Business	none

Members Comments

Artie Spellman requested information on the total amount of the Royal Sebring China project and matching funds. Debora Flora provided this information. A thank you to former board member, Mayor Mike Pinkerton, was issued also.

- Richard Chase made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:27 pm.
- ✓ Gwen Bush seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Meeting adjourned.**

Minutes submitted by Cathie Hicks, Fiscal Officer, MCLRC.