

Mahoning County Land Reutilization Corporation
Board Meeting Minutes (Meeting #111)
June 27, 2023

Board Members in Attendance:

Daniel R. Yemma, Chair
Artie Spellman
Richard Chase
Gwen Bush
Larry Moliterno
James Harp
David Ditzler

Board Members Absent:

Carol Rimedio-Righetti

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 11:31 am.
- Meeting was held at Mahoning County Land Bank office, 100 E. Federal St., Suite 300, Youngstown, OH.

Daniel R. Yemma called for the approval of the April 18, 2023 meeting minutes.

- Richard Chase made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 18, 2023 meeting.
- ✓ Gwen Bush 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:

Introduction of YSU Intern – John Beshara – 2023 Wean Foundation Nonprofit Leadership Sumer Fellowship Intern
Notification of three new part time demo inspectors hired recently
Approval from State Historic Preservation Office for demo of Campbell Sheet & Tube homes
Campbell fire on Monday was at the site of some of the Sheet & Tube homes that are slated for demo in July
ODOD has approved an extension through Dec 2025 for the BDSR program
ODOD has granted the ability to “swap” addresses &/or add addresses for the BDSR program

Ohio biennial budget in process of being approved – OLBA has met with legislators to advocate for funding for blight remediation and affordable housing
Notified Mahoning County Township Trustees at the June 2023 meeting of potential state funding for brownfield & demolition work
2023 National Land Bank Network Meeting October 2023
Quarterly OLBA meeting July 27, 2023
Presented potential revisions to the current Land Policies & Procedures

Discussion followed regarding potential revisions to the current Land Policies & Procedures, affordable housing and future conference sponsorships.

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

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

Demolition update – commercial & residential
Royal Sebring China remediation update
Housing renovations update

Attorney Thomas Michaels presented the Mahoning County Prosecutor’s report. Statistics were shared. No discussion.

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

Larry Moliterno presented the Finance Committee’s report. Items highlighted included:

Monthly financial reports for board approval
Review of Subaward Agreement with Mahoning County Commissioners for Local Match for Demo & Site Revitalizations Projects

- Artie Spellman 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 approve the Sub-award agreement with Mahoning County Commissioners regarding Local Match for Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Project as presented. This agreement for Board approval includes an updated effective date of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024.

- Richard Chase made a motion to approve the Sub-award agreement with Mahoning County Commissioners regarding Local Match for Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Project as presented.
- ✓ James Harp seconded the motion.

Roll was called:

Artie Spellman	yes
James Harp	yes
Richard Chase	yes
Larry Moliterno	yes
Gwen Bush	yes
David Ditzler	abstained
Daniel R. Yemma	yes

✓

Motion passed.

New Business	none
Unfinished Business	none

Members Comments

James Harp stated that he was not seeking re-election as Sebring's mayor in November. Discussion followed regarding board appointments and board members.

David Ditzler shared information on Mahoning County's ARPA funds distribution, including the recent allocation of funds for the "Connect Mahoning" project. This project will provide high-speed fiber to all local government offices and connectivity to communities that lack internet. Discussion followed.

- Larry Moliterno made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:39 pm.
- ✓ Richard Chase seconded the motion.
- ✓ **Meeting adjourned.**

Minutes submitted by Cathie Hicks, Fiscal Officer, MCLRC.