



Wayne County Land  
Reutilization Corporation  
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**MINUTES**  
**WAYNE COUNTY LAND REUTILIZATION CORP.**  
**10/16/20**

Present: Bobbie Beshara, Kristin Endsley, Andrew Dutton, Jonathan Hofstetter, Melissa Koch, Becky Foster, Sue Smail, Gus Frangos, Jim Rokakis, Jeff Schilling, Andrea Uhler, Barbara Biro, Deb Cline

Treasurers Report was read and approved for audit. Jonathan Hofstetter mad a motion to approve, Bobbie Beshara seconded. Motion passed.

The meeting started with a lengthy and informative discussion regarding the Board of Revision Process, what it looks like, how it is the same and how it differs from a regular foreclosure action. Guests were Jim Rokakis from the Western Reserve Land Conservancy, Gus Frangos, Cuyahoga Land Bank and Jeff Schilling who handled the BOR process for Cuyahoga County for a few years. They were able to answer questions from the Prosecutor's Office and provide explanation as to process and procedure.

They also explained DTAC Funding and how increasing the funding from 5% to 10% helps support the Land Bank without negatively impacting the local taxing authorities. They felt that some sort of dedicated funding was necessary in order for the Land Bank to operate efficiently.

There was a question from Deb Cline regarding the Land Bank paying for the back taxes once the property is received. It was explained by Gus Frangos that the County Land Bank is the only entity that is not responsible for re-paying any lien, tax or otherwise, on properties that come into its possession.

Andrea Uhler asked if there was a way for the Prosecutor and Clerk of Courts to recover any of their costs regarding fees and court costs in the Land Bank forfeiture process. Again, there is no requirement by the Land Bank to pay any of the fees incurred in the foreclosure process.

After the discussion, the guests left the meeting and we proceeded with the regular meeting of the Wayne County Land Reutilization Corp.

Motion to approve the Minutes from the 9/28/20 meeting was made by Melissa and seconded by Jon. Motion passed.

Melissa gave the Treasurer's Report. The balance is \$7,500 and we are waiting for Orrville's contribution yet.

Andrew Dutton presented us with 4 properties located in the City of Wooster that are potential Land Bank properties – possibly through the BOR (Board of Revision) process. Andrew also stated that he had sent Sue a spreadsheet with other properties listed that could be potential candidates for the Land Bank process. Melissa will

talk with Deb Cline from the Prosecutor's office and see what their comfort level is moving forward with these properties.

There was discussion on how we market the properties that will come into our possession. Melissa suggested that we get a website set up as that is where other counties have their available properties listed for sale. Sue will get some cost estimates on setting up a website. Along these same lines, there was discussion of a logo for the land bank. Sue will send some options but if anyone has any suggestions they should forward them to everyone for review and discussion at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Bobbie and seconded by Becky to approve Attorney John Barrington to represent the Wayne County Land Reutilization Corp. in legal matters.

A motion was made by Melissa Koch and seconded by Jon Hofstetter to sell the property located at 407 E. South Street, Wooster Ohio to Mike McClintock/McClintock Electric for the price of \$7,000 once this property is in our possession.

Sue asked that each member review and sign the Conflict of Interest Policy and get it back to her.

Sue brought up the subject of Director's and Officer's Insurance. She is waiting for a quote. Bobbie made a motion and Jon seconded to give Sue the authority to obtain D&O Insurance, once quotes are received based on price and what is being offered.

There being no other business, Jonathan Hofstetter made a motion to adjourn and Andrew Dutton seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue A. Smail