



Wayne County Land  
Reutilization Corporation  
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**Minutes**  
**Wayne County Land Reutilization Corporation Regular Meeting**  
**Friday, October 21, 2022, 9:30 a.m.**

PRESENT: Sue Smail, John Hofstetter, Bobbie Beshera, Vince Marion, Dan Starcher, Melissa Koch

**Opening**

Smail: Opened meeting at 9:36 a.m.

Koch: Motion to accept August's regular meeting minutes.

Beshara: Second

Vote Passed, Hofstetter abstained

Beshara: Motion to accept August annual meeting minutes.

Koch: Second

Vote passed, Hofstetter abstained

Treasury report

Koch: September 30 balance, \$116, 813.24; Audit fee, \$336.20; Starcher's salary, legal fees. An additional audit fee of \$155 is due in November.

Hofstetter: Motion to approve treasury report

Marion: Second

Vote passed

## **Old Business**

Smail: Update on Doylestown land. Prosecutor asked to handle the transfer. Atty. Smith alerted Smail that there was a problem with the deed being filed against the wrong property in 2008. Issue corrected, proceeding with property transfer.

Smail: Reported that the request for a unique ID has been received and notified involved parties to proceed with work. Will need photos of projects. Informed Apple Creek land owner (Mast) that the project is beyond the scope of the WCLRC. West Salem and Orrville projects should be OK to proceed.

Smail: 609 E. Henry Street property owner Susan Brown, now deceased, transferred to Linda Hovest. Atty. Smith prepared an auditor's deed. A fiduciary deed was also needed. Estate attorney involved. All necessary documents have been prepared.

## **New Business**

Smail: Discussion about the method of property acquisition and marketing to townships and villages to use WCLRC. . It was decided that Dan Starcher would prepare a press release stating the benefits of the land bank, how people can transfer property to it and what properties we have available currently.

We will also need to come up with a marketing plan so that the public knows that we have these properties available. Maybe as simple as putting "For Sale" signs on the properties.

Beshara: Motion to let the prosecutor's office know that the WCLRC is interested in taking property located at 161 S. Main St. in West Salem if not sold at Sheriff's sale.

Marion: Second.

Vote passed.

Hofstetter: Motion to accept the property at 825 N. Main Street, Shreve, if not sold at Sheriff's sale and Koch will let prosecutor's office know.

Beshara: Second.

Vote passed.

Smail: Discuss beginning public relations campaign regularly.

Smail: Discussion was held regarding vacant properties located at 204 and 303 W. Vine St. It was decided to have Becky contact Habitat and ask if they would have interest in partnering with WCLRC in possible building projects on these lots. If Habitat is not interested, we will then contact the adjoining neighbors to see if they have any interest in obtaining the lots.

In regard to the property at 426 N. Grant Street, it was decided that if we decide to sell to the adjoining neighbor for his offer of \$5,000, he would need to pay to survey and have the two lots combined.

Smail: Discuss credit card. Our attorney, Melissa Craemer Smith reviewed our Code of Regulations and determined that they provide clear enough language so as to allow us to proceed with a credit card as long as we have a policy for credit card use in place.

Hofstetter: Motion to adopt credit card policy, Resolution 2022-1

Marion: Second.

Vote passed.

Smail: Insurance policy renewed at \$3,367.

Other:

Koch reported that she had been contacted by Tony Wile and he expressed an interest in acquiring parcels 65-01030.000 , 65-01243.000 and 65-10031.000 which are 3 vacated lots with delinquent tax. She asked us to look at these properties to see if th land bank has an interest in acquiring them. We wil discuss at November meeting.

Next meeting: November 18 at 9:30AM. Hofstetter and Koch will not be able to make it, so we need to be sure we have a quorum.

Beshasra will be attending the Ohio Land Bank Conference on Thursday, October 27th in Mansfield, OH.

## Adjournment

Beshara: Motion to adjourn

Second: Hofstetter

Vote passed, and the meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.