

Land bank Board Meeting Minutes
Courthouse Annex Conference room
7/09/2015

Meeting was called to order by: Bonnie Summers

In attendance:

- Vince Witherup-Commissioner
- Bonnie Summers-Commissioner
- Diona Brick-Fiscal
- Julie Thompson-Tax Claim
- Robert Walter-Assessment
- Barb Cisek McGarvey-Residential Representative
- Paul Calderone-Residential Representative
- Matt Gilara-Assessment
- Jayne Romero-Housing
- Bill Buchna-Housing
- Jason Ruggiero-Planning
- Emily Donaldson-Planning
- Karen Wenner-Housing
- Judy Barrett-planning
- Mary Swisher-Assessment

1. Motion was done by Barb Cisek-McGarvey to accept last month's meeting minutes second by Paul Calderone; all in favor.
2. Land bank is looking into possibly buying the vacant lot on the corner of State & 3rd in Oil City and either selling or giving it to the adjoining property owner.
 - A. Barb made a motion to move forward with asking the county to look into seeing what needs done to get the lot cleaned up and then the decision will be made rather the land bank will give the lot or sell the lot to the adjoining property owner. Depends on the cost of fixing it up.
 - B. Talk to Rich to see what steps need taken to see if the taxing bodies will be willing to donate the land to the county and then the county give it to the land bank.
 - C. It was also suggested to try getting the city involved, rather it is donate the use of equipment and haul away the trash.
3. Judy Barrett from the Oil City redevelopment authority expressed interest in obtaining property from the repository, to help the market by getting the properties off the repository list. They are more interested in the properties that do not have houses on them, to use for storm water management, grow greener ect.
 - A. Bonnie suggests that the redevelopment authority mark which ones they are really interested in obtaining and get back to the land bank.
4. Karen Wenner from housing was present and spoke about the first time home buyers program and the affordable housing program. Karen went over the guidelines and some rules and regulations regarding both programs. Julie questioned about possible the land bank using affordable house to purchase a property in Seneca and then fix it up and sell it. They are going to look into this more.

Bonnie made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:55 Pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 1:30.

Submitted by:

Mary Swisher