## Kalamazoo County Land Bank Fast Track Authority Board of Directors Meeting Minutes—December 12, 2013

### Members Present: Mary Balkema, Terry Dorgan, Christopher Haenicke, Chuck Vliek, Addis Moore Staff Present: Kelly Clarke, Amanda Woodin, Catie Boring

# Others Present: Lee Adams, Brandt Iden, Phil Stinchcomb

The regular meeting of the Kalamazoo County Land Bank Authority Board of Directors was called to order by Chair Balkema at 8:30 AM in room 105 of the Kalamazoo County Administration Building, 201 W. Kalamazoo Ave., Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007.

There were no additions to the agenda.

### Regular Agenda

1. Approval to receive \$100,000 grant from the Vicksburg Foundation and acquisition of parcel #14-13-470-038

Executive Director Clarke briefed the board members about the acquisition details of the property. Board members discussed the risks and reasons for acquisition. Board member Vliek motioned to approve the acceptance of \$100,000 from the Vicksburg Foundation in order to fund the purchase price of the acquisition of the parcel #14-13-470-038 and to approve this acquisition. The motion was seconded by Moore, and it passed with a 3-1 vote.

- Acceptance of Mike Seelye's resignation. Board members noted Seelye's new responsibilities and thanked him for his service. Board member Dorgan moved to support Mike Seelye's resignation. The motion was seconded by Haenicke, and it passed unanimously.
- 3. Recommendation to County Board

The board members reviewed the 3 applications and discussed the tradition of the Land Bank board to attempt to include a broad representation of sectors and leaders that can assist the Land Bank's work. Board members noted the education sector is no longer represented after WMU's representative moved out of State. Michael Collins was commended as a community leader and staff and board commented on the transformative nature of KVCC's previous downtown work and the new health and wellness campus for the Edison neighborhood. Board member Vliek moved to recommend Michael Collins. The motion was seconded by Haenicke, and was carried unanimously.

#### Executive Director Report

Executive Director Clarke updated the Board on the recent acquisition of Portage Street properties and the successful Art Hop and Pop-Up Retail event hosted on Portage Street on December 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th.</sup>

Board member Vliek moved to adjourn the meeting, and the motion was seconded by Board Member Dorgan. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Dorgan, Treasurer and Secretary