The regular meeting of the Kalamazoo County Land Bank Authority Board of Directors was called to order by Balkema at 8:33 a.m. at 1523 Riverview Drive, Kalamazoo, MI 49004.

Approval of Minutes - October 2017
Balkema requested a motion to approve the October 2017 meeting minutes. Dorgan made the motion, Isch seconded, all were in favor and the motion was carried.

Citizens’ Time
Chuck Vliek expressed his thanks to Sarah Frame for her years of work with the Land Bank and shared updates on the role of LISC in regards to housing in the city of Kalamazoo.

Board Chair Remarks
Mary Balkema welcomed and introduced Chelsie Hubbarth, the new Operations/Communications/Grants manager of the Kalamazoo County Land Bank. She shared and went over a taxable value trends document. She noted the city of Kalamazoo remains $261,667,191 short of the taxable value achieved in 2008 prior to the recession. This emphasized the importance of the Land Bank’s work in this regard. Balkema discussed the 2018 board goals.

Executive Director Report
Clarke summarized the 2017 annual report on goals. Clarke also gave a presentation updating the board on the current status of the Eastside Neighborhood Small Homes Project.

Consent Agenda
Lahman gave an overview of the monthly financials and funds to be accepted. Dorgan made the motion, Kisscorni seconded, all were in favor and the consent agenda was passed.

Regular Agenda
2017 Budget Amendment
Lahman went over the final 2017 budget amendment in the General Fund. Kisscorni made the motion to approve the 2017 Budget Amendment, Isch seconded, all were in favor and the motion was carried.

At 9:25 a.m., Balkema called for a motion to go into closed session. Dorgan made the motion, Griffin seconded, all were in favor and the motion was carried.

At 9:55 a.m., Dorgan moved to go out of closed session, Isch seconded, all were in favor and the motion was carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Next Meeting- Thursday, February 8th at 8:30 a.m.