Kalamazoo County Land Bank Fast Track Authority

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes—October 13, 2016

Members Present: Mary Balkema, Heather Isch, Carl Roberts, Alberta Griffin, Terry Dorgan (arrived at 8:36 a.m.), Jerome Kisscorni (arrived at 8:38 a.m.)
Members Absent: Becky Fulgoni
County Liaison Present: Commissioner Stephanie Moore
Staff Present: Kelly Clarke, Tammy Lahman, Amanda Wilholt
Community Members Present: Rachel Grover, Jeff Hawkins, Jackie Coney, Chuck Vliek

The regular meeting of the Kalamazoo County Land Bank Authority Board of Directors was called to order by Balkema at 8:35 a.m. at 1523 Riverview Dr, Kalamazoo, MI 49004.

Clarke introduced new Board Member Isch. Isch provided her background information and the remaining board members and staff introduced themselves.

Balkema called for a motion to approve the August 2016 meeting minutes. Roberts made the motion to approve. Dorgan seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Additions to the Agenda
None

Citizens’ Time
Chuck Vliek spoke of the importance of community collaboration.

Board Chair Remarks
Balkema reported that the county tax auctions have been completed and that the County Treasurer’s Office is in the process of transferring deeds to the KCLBA. Several blighted properties have been identified for removal via a 1.2 million grant from MSHDA.

Executive Director Report
Clarke provided updates on Washington Square, the Fare Games Competition, Merchants Crossing, Riverview Launch, Prairie Gardens, 1301 Cameron, and Professional Development of KCLB Staff. The Hardest Hit Grant and 1407 Clinton were also discussed.

Consent Agenda
Lahman gave an overview of the August 2016 financial reports, as well as the acceptance of funds. Balkema called for a motion to approve the August 2016 financials and the acceptance of funds. Dorgan made the motion to approve. Kisscorni seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Regular Agenda
1. 2017 Budget - Balkema called for a motion to approve the 2017 Budget. Kisscorni made the motion to approve. Griffin seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Presentation from Paper City LLC – Jackie Koney, Project Manager with Paper City, LLC gave a presentation highlighting the Vicksburg Mill, Old Stove Brewing Co., and Chris Moore.

Resolution regarding roof needs at building 21 (Land Bank owned parcel)
2. Vicksburg Mill – There are several sections of the roof that are in need of repair. Balkema made a motion to amend the 2016 budget to include a $75,000 contribution toward the roof repair provided the purchase price is increased by the same amount. Dorgan made the motion to approve. Kisscorni seconded. All were in favor, with the exception of Alberta Griffin who abstained from the vote. The resolution was passed consistent with the terms set forth by Chris Moore and referenced in his request letter included in the board packet.
Adjournment
Balkema called for a motion to adjourn at 10:18 a.m. Griffin made the motion to adjourn. Kisscorni seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Terry Dorgan, Treasurer and Secretary