

July 18, 2022 REGULAR MEETING

Ingham County Land Bank

3024 Turner St, Lansing, MI

July 18, 2022 – 4:45 p.m.

In-person and virtually via Zoom

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Fox called the July 18, 2022 Meeting of the Ingham County Land Bank to order at 4:54 p.m., held in-person at the Ingham County Land Bank Office and virtually via Zoom.

Members Present: Fox, Grebner

Members Absent: Slaughter, Crenshaw, Frischman

No quorum present.

Others Present: Tim Perrone, David Burns, Roxanne Case, Mary Konieczny & Daniel Dunning neighbors of Saginaw St row house property, Lorie Preidis neighbor of old Leslie High School, and Eric Schertzing

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

No quorum present – no approval of June 13, 2022 minutes.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT

Mary Konieczny introduced herself as a resident of Lansing near the Saginaw property where the Land Bank is planning a row house development. She hoped that the property would have remained as garden space but understands the development. Ms. Konieczny stated that she cares about the ecosystem and preservation of the land and hopes that we can work together in keeping the back maintained and presentable.

Lorie Preidis, stated that she is a resident of City of Leslie, that has property that backs up to Land Bank property of the old Leslie High School. She stated that she has spent time and money keeping her property critter proof due to the animals that are making themselves home in the school. She is concerned about the safety of the building, and was wondering when we were planning to tear it down. She was willing to write a letter to a State Representative to help us obtain funding.

Chairperson Fox stated that we have just met with the Leslie City Manager to discuss properties, and the City will be helping the Land Bank by welding the doors shut to keep kids out. He stated that we are working on sources of funding to demolish as soon as we can, including Congresswoman Slotkin's office. Chairperson Fox appreciated her attendance and expressing her concern about the property. Mr. Eric Schertzing stated that there has been monies for Blight Elimination that was just approved by the State. Chairperson Fox noted that it will most likely not cover the whole demolition cost.

Mr. Michael Markey spoke briefly about the property that he wishes to purchase on (918) N Larch St to construct an apartment building (per the Resolution in the Board Packet). He had no large presentation to provide but was attending to answer any questions that anyone had. Unfortunately, because there was no quorum, the resolution could not be voted on.

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1. Commercial – Multi-Family

A. Sale Status report

Brief discussion. David Burns highlighted some properties. He responded to Ms. Konifeczny's concern about the new construction of row houses on Saginaw St. He stated that the Land Bank has held the property for quite a while; even though it was being leased for gardening, that is not the plan into perpetuity. It is currently zoned properly for the 5 units that we are intending to build. There will be site plan approval processes and all are welcome to attend those meetings. There will be a fair amount of property as a buffer to the neighbors. The Land Bank is not planning to take out trees on or near the property lines and for the most part, the property edges will remain the same, but cleaned up. Chairperson Fox stated that the Land Bank has been pushed to add solar and take trees down, but in this case, the trees come first and solar is not a good option.

2. Residential

A. List of Properties – June 2022

Brief discussion.

3. Administration

A. Accounts Payable – June 2022

B. Budget updated – 1st half of 2022 and Projections

Director Case stated that this is the first half of the year update, with a Projected column included. Projections look decent, but things will change before the end of the year. 2023 budget draft will be submitted in the September board meeting with the final budget reviewed in the October meeting.

C. Communications Narrative / Executive Director's Report

Director Case reiterated that \$21M was approved through the State Budget to go to the State Land Bank to be dispersed to Land Banks for Blight Elimination.

D. Legal

Mr. Perrone stated that there was not much to report but our conversation from our last meeting got into Lansing Township discussions in regards to the County and Controller's Office, and there is now some agreement and resolution to review.

4. Limited public comment

None

5. Announcements, Comments, or other Questions

None

6. Adjournment -

Chairperson Fox adjourned the meeting at 5:29pm.

Next meeting on August 15, 2022, at 4:45pm at the Land Bank office.