

Meeting Minutes – September 28, 2010

Brownfield and Land Bank Meeting

Present: Sue Delahanty, Kathy Adair, Dwight McIntyre, Lee Ann Fischer, April Schills, Liz Steinhurst

Sue called the meeting to order at 10:02am.

Motion by Dwight, support by Liz to approve the July 27 meeting minutes. There was an August meeting but no minutes were available.

Dwight explained what has happened with the property at 2481 E. Third Street in Prescott. The property had recently been acquired by the Land Bank, but the current occupant (Lance Millard) visited Dwight with paperwork showing he had originated a mortgage on the property in November 2009 with a company called NetNet. The company never filed title at the Register of Deed's office and the taxes have never been paid. Land Bank will work with Lance on resolution. Lee Ann will talk with him for homebuyer/credit assistance. Liz suggested a 90 day timeline for resolution, and Dwight will discuss it with Lance.

At the Michigan Land Bank Authority's request, Dwight is sending in additional local forms for the group grant process.

October 30 is the final sale (no minimum bid) on properties in the tax auction. If a property is not sold, the municipality can take it back; however they would owe the county any taxes or assessments on that parcel.

Sue had contacted Flo McCormack at MAC for direction on the EPA grant for the Rose City Metcalf/Mill Pond property. The application process went extremely smooth and quickly, and two representatives from the DNRE have already been in Rose City on September 23 to meet with Sue, Kathy, Rick Benjamin, and Mayor Dave Reasner to walk the property. They will be returning today (September 28) for two days of sampling. Discussion of writing in administrative funds when applying for grants to cover expenses such as mileage, postage, etc. Sue may ask the City of Rose City for reimbursement for the current project.

Dwight will contact Gary about the BRA/LB being added into the county directory.

The list for email distribution for the BRA/LB meeting should be revised, excluding those not directly on the committee (i.e. consultants) or those members that have resigned.

The Brownfield/Land Bank meetings will return to the third Tuesday at 10am. Our next meeting will be October 19. Meeting adjourned at 10:58am.

Kathy Adair