

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Emergency Meeting
Held at 1219 St. Rt. 183 in Atwater, Ohio; on February 4, 2014

The Atwater Township Trustees held an Emergency Meeting for the purpose to discuss how to proceed with new timelines/deadlines for the Portage County Land Reutilization Program and Moving Ohio Forward Grant at the Atwater Town Hall located at 1219 St. Rt. 183 in Atwater, Ohio on February 4, 2014.

ATTENDANCE

Trustees Danny Derberberry, Peggy Baine, Lynn Whittlesey, Fiscal Officer Shawn Renee Miller, Martha Brevard, Walt Baine, Zoning Inspector Jim Donovan

Dan Derberberry called the Emergency Meeting for discussion of to additional properties up for renewal to order at 9:22am. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey - yes; Peggy Baine - yes, Danny Derberberry - yes.

Lynn Whittlesey asked if everyone read the letter from Portage County Land Reutilization Corp.? All agreed they had. Danny stated that the letter states that the deadline for ALL property submissions need to now be in by the 15th of February. Lynn stated that at the end of the letter there is some leeway with an exception request clause.

Danny stated that he spoke with Todd Peetz previously and that time the funds were running very low, the list of property submissions already accounted for all the available funds. If there is no money from the Grant, there is only \$200K, then the Township will have to pay for the removals. In some instances in other townships, the landowners of properties on the list, elected to take the structure down themselves, thus freeing up some funds. It is not yet known how many will come off the list, Danny stated that we are really going into all of this blind not knowing what will be reimbursed.

Shawn Renee Miller stated that the three properties that came out of the hearing to demo as of March 6th, are NOT submitted to the Grant list; Lynn stated that can make the situation worst, Shawn Renee stated correct and just making sure that we all understand where we are at. Shawn Renee Miller stated that the property gets on the list ONCE the final resolution with a order to remove is submitted. Confirmation that the properties on Waterloo & Fairview from the fall were on the list and OK; however these three PLUS the two being discussed are not yet and it is unclear if they will make it.

Shawn Renee Miller went on to state that the timeline was February 28th, but is now is February 15th for ALL final documentation, which includes the Board's Order to remove must be into the office of Portage County Land Reutilization. The two properties that remain are 1472 ST RT 183 and 5682 Moff Road, both properties have the Search Warrants and Jim Donovan stated that he has verbal confirmation that the department inspections are completed; we are waiting on the letters from the departments. Shawn Renee stated that the title & lien search reports are back, the Moff Road search came back late yesterday (2/3). Shawn Renee stated once the department reports are in hand, per the email from Chris Meduri we need 7-10 days to notify the properties landowners/lienholders via certified mail, publish in the Record Courier and the website. Lynn Whittlesey expressed concern about the deadlines and timelines for the process seem to no longer apply. Shawn Renee stated that the conversations between her and Chris Meduri have all been in writing, Lynn stated he understood and that if the change in procedures comes back to bite us it will be up to Chris to handle.

Jim Donovan spoke about the delays in the search warrants due to getting in with the Judge and it was during the holidays, Lynn stated he understood and was not criticizing anyone, the situation is just the way it is. Jim spoke about other townships and that have not taken any down the entire time then come in at the end with numerous. Jim stated that several around the county have had property owners come in and take care of the property themselves, example is with the property out on Alliance Road that now has three banks involved but all are bound and determined to handle themselves.

Peggy Baine stated that the family has stated that there is asbestos in it and Peggy is unsure if "we" want to deal with that. Lynn stated that is not our issue if we get it in the Moving Ohio Forward. Danny reiterated that there is a less than a 50 chance of getting them in the list. Resident Martha Brevard stated that why not get it in and see what happens, maybe there is other money that may come up and then these properties are already on the list.

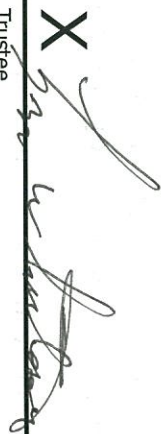
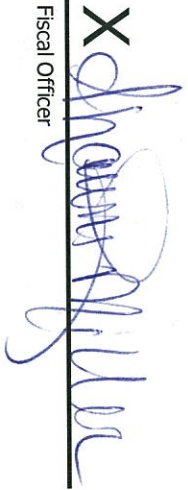
Danny stated that he is open to suggestions; Shawn Renee stated that NOTHING can be done until the reports are in the office, in her hands. Jim Donovan stated he believes the letters will be in tomorrow. Shawn Renee stated that the letters and posting can be out within minutes. Lynn asked if we could set another Emergency Meeting for tomorrow, if the letters are here we can act on it, they are not then we adjourn and leave. Lynn recommended the 14th, and Shawn Renee reminded the Board that Danny would not be in town and just wanted to confirm that Lynn and Peggy were ok with that. All agreed it would be fine. Decision made to hold an Emergency Meeting on Wednesday 2/5 at 1:00pm to try and

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finalize the two properties. Lynn asked if a post would occur for this Emergency Meeting, Shawn Renee stated yes a publication to the Record Pub and to our website.

Danny motioned to adjourn the Emergency Meeting at 9:44am, Lynn Whittlesey second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey - yes; Peggy Bainey – yes, Danny Derreberry - yes.

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Trustee Trustee

 
Trustee Fiscal Officer