

Land Bank Commission Minutes

June 15th, 2011

MEETING DATE: June 15th, 2011 (Regular Meeting)

The meeting was called to order by Andrew Francis at 11:30 a.m. in the Willie Hinton Neighborhood Resource center.

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:

Commissioner Michael Robinson

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Brad Walker

Commissioner Andrew Francis

Commissioner Susan Chan

Commissioner Arlen Jones

Commissioner Grace Blagdon

Commissioner Willis Smith

Commissioner Corey Thomas

Commissioner Odessa Darrough

Commissioner Hillis Schild

BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF

Andre Bernard, Director of HNP

Brittany Jefferson, Redevelopment Administrator

Tasha Smith, Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

Commissioner Jones moved to approve the minutes; seconded by **Commissioner Wingfield**. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS –

City lien foreclosure report- 1021 S. Woodrow has commissioners deed 4/19/11. 2318 Wright avenue lien has been contested.

Property Inventory- Forty-nine properties have been attained. 2209 W. 10th and 2520 W. 13th transferred to Habitat for Humanity for development. An application for 1805 Wolfe St. was submitted as a donation.

NSP2- City of Little Rock has demolished and is in the process of demolishing twenty-eight properties under the NSP2 program. The City of Little Rock has closed on 1916 Booker St. last Friday. The City of Little Rock will be closing on 1900 Johnson, 1825 Dennison, 2414 W. 13th, 3411 W. 10th, 3103 W. 13th, 3105 W. 13th, 3107 W. 13th, 3419 W. 10th, 811 Martin, and 901 Booker.

Financial Report- General Fund (1) is \$3,807.60; General fund (2) \$52,784.32 and CDBG (3) \$58,948.89

Purchase Property- No purchase properties.

Donation Property- Three donations have been approved from the Board of Directors.

Discussion held on NSP2

JOINT COMMITTEE REPORT-

There will be a direct link to www.littlerocklandbank.org for Land Bank. Brittany Jefferson drafted a memorandum for changes for program for LRSD teachers.

Letters of Interest will be sent out at the end of summer.

OLD BUSINESS-

Commissioner Wingfield stated he has not made contact with Arkansas State Land Commissioner. **Commissioner Chan** stated that Myra has not contacted her with new information.

NEW BUSINESS-

Priorities and Policies Revision- Commissioner Francis discussed the revisions for priorities and policies. Land Bank transfer for NSP2 development estimated cost \$200,000 for 1419 S. Park St. Andre Bernard stated we are currently looking for an architect. A vote was taken to approve the Land transfer from Land Bank Commission to NSP2 of property 1419 S. Park and it was moved by Commissioner Chan and second by Commissioner Schild. Motion carried.

Andre Bernard asked everyone that they should be aware of the priority needs hearing meeting and he would like them to encourage their fellow citizens to pass the tax increase. Commissioner Wingfield stated to be mindful of OSHA violations when building new construction.

Commissioner Francis stated that Commissioner Smith was going to look at Rolling Pines. Corey Thomas will not be available July 3rd thru Nov. 15th but he would like to still serve as a Commissioner.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Adjourn