

**Land Bank Commission Minutes
September 16, 2009**

Meeting Date: September 16, 2009 (Regular Meeting)
Meeting held at 4:30 p.m. at the Neighborhood Resource Center, 3805 w. 12th, Little Rock, AR 72204.

Commissioner Present:

Commissioner Blagdon, Chair
Commissioner Walker, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Jones
Commissioner Chan
Commissioner Schild
Commissioner Robinson

Commissioner Absent:

Commissioner Wingfield
Commissioner Smith

Staff:

Andre Bernard, Director of Housing and Neighborhood Programs
Ward Hanna, Assistant Director of Housing and Neighborhood Programs
Travis Martin, Redevelopment Administrator
Tasha Smith, Administrative Assistant

Approval of Minutes-

Commissioner Chan stated their was motion made in the August meeting by **Commissioner Robinson** suggesting making the LBC be aware of purchasing property. It was discussed and then withdrawn that the resolution was not necessary. It was moved by

Staff Reports –

Redevelopment Administrator, Travis Martin gave an update on the inventory on what properties the LBC own. He stated that currently we have six properties. LBC bought ten properties but four were redeemed last month by the owners. He also stated there is a twelve month waiting period because the owners have a right to bring a lawsuit for whatever reason during that twelve month period.

Travis Martin is working with Pulaski County Assessors office to get their properties lists that have not been redeemed. The recommendation for the focus area and the recommendation over a thousand dollars will go to the Board of Directors agenda meeting on September 29th and October 6th for Board of Directors regular meeting.

City Attorney Brittany Jefferson asked when you pick the property for the aggregate amount was it per property. Travis Martin responded it was per property.

Commissioner Schild did we ever find out how much the foreclosure cost? **City Attorney Brittaney Jefferson** said it cost 20.00 to file. Both agreed it probably cost about \$460.00.

A discussion was held on protocol for processing liens.

Andre Bernard, Director of Housing and Neighborhood Programs stated that staff received a letter about the NSP2 dollars and the city is still in the running for the grant.

Committee Reports-

Legal Affairs

There was no report.

Administration and Operations

The committee met with **Travis Martin** and concluded they needed a map. **Commissioner Chan** decided that houses needing to be rehab should be added onto the map.

A discussion was held about the negotiated sale of foreclosure properties.

Talk briefly about where Mr. Martin stands with the software for the maps. Commissioner Chan also mentioned that will templates and forms for properties when LBC have properties to sale.

Funding and Development

The committee submitted minutes from their committee meeting. **Commissioner Schild** stated that the committee wanted to ask that the properties that weren't redeemed can LBC go ahead and start working on properties that are ready to be move out.

Andre Bernard, asked would be able to recoup Maintenance cost? **Commissioner Walker** stated that it wouldn't create any problems.

Commissioner Smith made motion to require city staff to begin title work on the properties that have not been redeemed. **Commissioner Schild** seconded. It was brought to LBC as recommendation to start working on the properties.

Commissioner Blagdon made motion to the LBC for city staff to start the process to begin title work, motion carried.

Old Business-

The recommendation for the focus area and the recommendation over a thousand dollars will go to the Board of Directors agenda meeting on September 29th at 4:00 p.m. and October 6th at 6:00 p.m. for Board of Directors regular meeting.

New Business-

A discussion was held about requiring properties.

Associates closing and title will be conducting our title search

A discussion was held on title search process

Citizen Communication

Robert Jones, President of Capitol Hill NA asks what procedures need to be put in place to have Arkansas Historic Preservation Alliance to make presentation to LBC.

Adjourn

Commissioner Grace Blagdon adjourned the meeting.