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## **Land Bank Commission Minutes**

**MEETING DATE:** October 16, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM by Commissioner Leta Anthony at Willie Hinton Neighborhood Resource Center.

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:**

Mark Leggett  
Laura McKinney  
Monique Sanders

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

Juanita Dodd  
Angela Neal  
Frances Frazier  
Leta Anthony  
Jennifer Herron  
Leta Anthony  
Ken Wade  
Al B. Moore  
Karyn Coleman

**BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF**

Ruby E. Dean  
Kevin Howard  
Director Joan Adcock

Commissioner Karyn Coleman introduced herself to the Board indicating that she is currently working with The Democratic Party of Arkansas and looks forward to working with Land Bank Commission.

**DECLARATION OF QUORUM-QUORUM**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**



## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Stephanie Gardner, Provost & Chief Strategy from UAMS was on the agenda for a presentation, however, called to reschedule. A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Commissioner Al B. Moore, and seconded by Commissioner Karyn Coleman to approve the agenda with a correction to add Dr. Gardner to November's Agenda 9 ayes, zero nays, motion carried.

A motion to approve September's minutes was made by Commissioner Frances Frazier, and seconded by Commissioner Al B. Moore. 9 ayes, zero nays, motion carried.

**Staff Reports was given by Ruby E. Dean**

**Financial Report was given by Ruby E. Dean**

A motion was made by Commissioner Ken Waded to approve the financial report, seconded by Commissioner Frances Neal. Ruby Dean stated that the financial report will show a decrease in the amount reported for First Security Bank stating that the amount had already been included in previous totals. 9 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.

Ruby Dean discussed the list of properties and structures. (91 properties, 6 with Structures and 2 Commercial properties)

Ruby Dean advised the Board of the pending closing with Lender's Title. Director Adcock inquired as to which account the proceeds from the sales are deposited. It was stated that the funds are remitted to the Treasury Office with instructions on where to deposit the funds. Staff will carefully monitor the funds to ensure they are deposited in the correct account.

## Old Business

- A. Land Transfer Application- Brittany Hobbs-1021 S. Woodrow Street, 1011 S. Woodrow & 2818 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street- Counter Offer \$6,000.00 - After last meeting Ruby Dean contacted Ms. Hobbs stating that the firm offer was \$7,500.00- Ms. Hobbs agreed to the offer amount of \$7,500.00 – **Board approved 10-15-2019**
- B. Land Transfer Application-Toya Smith 2101 S. Valentine-Counter Offer \$3,500.00- **Board Approved 10-15-2019**
- C. Land Transfer Applications-Spring & Springer- Offer \$250 per lot – 1705, 1709, 1719 1919, 1921 & 1923 S. Cedar Streets, 3316 Maryland Ave, & 2311 W 10<sup>th</sup> Offering \$250.00 per lot  
**Board Approved 10-15-2019**



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## **New Business**

- A. Land Bank Transfer Application-Friendship Education Foundation a nonprofit organization is requesting to transfer 9200 Adkins-Parcel # 450110000400- Offering **Amount \$9,600.00 to build a Charter School.**

The Commissioner's reviewed the application submitted by Friendship Education Foundation and had the following questions:

What is their capacity building?

Relationship to the Housing Authority?

Background and references on Mr. Harris?

Ruby Dean stated that Mr. Harris was scheduled to present his proposal, however, he was in Pine Bluff attending a ribbon cutting ceremony. Director Adcock inquired as to whether Mr. Harris had approached the Neighborhood Associations in the area regarding the potential charter school, she also asked Chairman Anthony, who abstained from discussion, how well she now Mr. Harris. Chairman Anthony indicated that Mr. Harris and the entity had received numerous awards for the work in the community and for their other Charter Schools. After much discussion a motion made by Commissioner Wade to table the application until next meeting, seconded by Commissioner Frazier. **9 ayes 0 nays.**

Ruby Dean inquired about the original committee members for the UAMS project and suggested that they meet to bring her and the other Commissioner's up to date on what has been previously discussed. The following Commissioner's agreed to serve on the Committee: Leta Anthony, Director Adcock, Karyn Coleman, Frances Frazier, Jennifer Herron & Ken Wade. It was suggested that the Committee meet prior to the Dr. Gardner's Presentation. The Committee is scheduled to meet November 15, 2019. Ruby Dean will send an invitation for the scheduled meeting.

**Citizens Communication- None**

**Adjourn:** Commissioner Herron made a motion to adjourn, a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Juanita Dodd. **9 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned**

