

Finger Lakes Regional Land Bank Corporation

June 28, 2021 at 3:00 pm

**Heroes 9-11-01 Conference Room or
Conference Call via GoToMeeting.com**

Directors Present: Jill Henry, Frank Sinicropi

Directors Remotely Present: Kyle Barnhart

Directors Absent: Bob Hayssen, Cindy Lorenzetti, Don Northrup

Staff: Joe McGrath, Amanda Forney

Other Attendees: Lisa Keshel

1. Called to order at 3:07 pm by Chairperson Frank Sinicropi. A quorum was not present.

2. CEO/Presidents Update & Discussion Items:

• **101 Virginia Street RFP Update**

Mr. McGrath stated that no bids were received and would like to move forward with a rolling application and possibly some other changes. Mr. McGrath believes that current cost of materials may have resulted in the lack of submissions and that income requirements probably did not play a role. Going forward, there is also potential for bidders to work with the IDA under a PILOT program. Mr. McGrath is hopeful of a potential sale but noted more work will be required.

• **CFA Housing Needs Assessment Grant**

The County Planning Department intends to apply for this grant for a second year in a row. Mr. McGrath believes this year's application will be more competitive. He also noted that the grant award is for \$50,000. The Housing Needs Assessment is not a full assessment but will determine the number of homes, types of homes, and additional needs within the County. This assessment would allow further grant applications to be submitted.

• **156 Fall Street, Seneca Falls Update**

Asbestos removal was completed two weeks ago and Habitat for Humanity and the demolition crew began work last week. The title transfer should be complete soon.

- **1537 County Road 132, Willard Update**

This project is a new build and the excavation company arrived on site last week. Materials are on site. This home is a prefabricated home (not modular) and will require assembly at the site. CDBG funds from the town of Romulus will be funding this project. The deed transfer has not yet been completed.

- **2320 County Road 139, Willard**

The last payment request was received from Habitat for Humanity. This project is expected to be completed by the end of summer resulting in the spending down of the LISC grant.

- **2021 Tax Foreclosure Acquisitions Discussion**

All 6 vacant and/or abandoned properties that the Land Bank anticipated acquiring this year are on the list for foreclosure. A meeting will occur with the County attorney before getting approval from the judge. Mr. Sinicropi stated that the County Board of Supervisors can act as soon as possible to place a "hold" on these 6 properties. Lisa Keshel, County Director of Real Property Tax, requested a list of all 6 properties.

- **DEC Brownfield Agreement Discussion**

Mr. Sinicropi stated that he would like to meet with the County manager to discuss this topic. The County attorney is aware of and has seen the Wayne County agreement. These particular agreements help municipalities limit liabilities and deal with properties that have environmental issues.

3. CFO Report:

Mr. McGrath gave a brief report. There were no big issues to discuss.

4. New Business: None

5. Consideration of Executive Session: None

6. Adjourn: 3:27 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

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