

MINUTES

For the July 16th, 2018 Regular Meeting of the Erie Land Bank, held at City Hall, 626 State Street, Room 500, Erie, Pennsylvania, at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Board of Directors:	Jay Alberstadt Darlene Feeney	Trevor Thompson TJ Sandell
ERA Staff:	Scott Henry	Kelly Neville
Visitors:	Kathy Wyrosdick	

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Sandell, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm and noted that the meeting will be audio taped to facilitate preparation of the written Minutes which will serve as the official public record.

CONSENT AGENDA & PUBLIC COMMENT:

The following items were included on the Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of the Agenda
- b. Approval of the Minutes of the May 21, 2018 Regular Meeting

Upon a motion by Ms. Feeney and a second by Mr. Alberstadt the Consent Agenda items were approved unanimously.

There were no citizens to be heard.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Mr. Henry stated that he attended the first meeting of the Erie County Land Bank on June 27. The County Land Bank adopted bylaws, elected officers, and discussed future appointment of a Solicitor. It was noted that the County has transferred \$835,000 in gaming revenue funds to the County Land Bank. Mr. Henry and Ms. Wyrosdick plan to meet with the County Land Bank's Governance Committee in August to discuss an allocation of funds to the Erie Land Bank.

Mr. Henry stated that the IRS has issued an Employer Identification Number to the Erie Land Bank.

Mr. Henry noted that the PA Department of Community & Economic Development contacted the Erie Land Bank concerning submission of an audit report for 2017. As the Erie Land Bank had no funding or financial transactions during 2017, it was advised that a letter to that effect be submitted in lieu of an audit. This submission was made and a copy provided to the City as required by the statute.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS & NEW BUSINESS:

Intergovernmental Agreements: Mr. Henry reported that he was advised that the County Administration has signed off on the proposed agreement and forwarded it to County Council for review. Mr. Henry will monitor County Council's upcoming agendas and plan to attend the appropriate Finance Committee to speak in support of the agreement.

Ms. Feeney stated that she feels confident that the School Board will sign off on the agreement and it will likely be considered at their August meeting.

Other Business:

Mr. Henry noted that a total of 144 properties are currently on the Judicial Sale list, 10 of which have been declared blighted by the City of Erie. Overall, a total of 122 properties are declared blighted by the City of Erie and the Redevelopment Authority plans to do initiate eminent domain actions against 9-10 of those later this year.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:29 pm, upon a motion by Mr. Alberstadt.

Respectfully submitted,

Erie Land Bank

Darlene Feeney, Secretary