

BUFFALO ERIE NIAGARA LAND IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors, Buffalo Erie Niagara Land Improvement Corporation
FROM: Maria R. Whyte, Chairperson
SUBJECT: **Resolution #: 2013-8**
2013 Pilot Project, Erie County In Rem 161, 39 Fowler Street
DATE: October 1, 2013

DISCUSSION

Erie County is conducting its 2013 In Rem Auction on October 2, 2013. BENLIC has partnered with the Town of Tonawanda to participate in the BENLIC 2013 Pilot Project. BENLIC has identified a vacant property at 39 Fowler Street in need of rehabilitation. This property was the subject of a joint press conference between the County and the Town discussing the impact of vacant/blighted properties in June 2013.

The Town has completed the required SIR/MDR forms for this property and has passed a resolution requesting BENLIC acquire it. Both the SIR/MDR form and the resolution are attached. Rehabilitation on this property is likely to be extensive and will be paid for from the funds provided to BENLIC by Erie County in the County's 2013 operating budget.

ACTION

The Board of Directors is hereby requested to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that BENLIC authorizes Maria Whyte, as Chairperson of the BENLIC Board of Directors to attend the 2013 County Auction and bid the back taxes of \$55,841.89 on 39 Fowler Street, Tonawanda (SBL #: 66.61-5-29); and be it further

RESOLVED, that Chairperson Maria Whyte is authorized to take whatever actions are necessary subsequent to the County Auction to execute an agreement with the County, close on the property, and ensure that BENLIC holds clear title to the property.