



BUFFALO ERIE NIAGARA LAND IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
June 15, 2017 – 11:00 AM
Brisbane Building Conference Room 521
403 Main St. Suite 602
Buffalo, New York 14203

Call to Order by Brendan Mehaffy

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members Present: Brendan Mehaffy, Frank E. Krakowski, Joseph L. Maciejewski, Timothy Ball, Donna J. Estrich, Joseph Hogenkamp, James Comerford, Jr., Joseph Hogenkamp, Thomas Hersey

Board Members Excused: OJ McFoy, Michael Siragusa, Christopher J. Schoepflin

Fiscal Agent Present: Robert Keating

BENLIC Counsel Present: Martin Polowy

Executive Director: Jocelyn Gordon

Assistant Program Coordinator: Alex Carducci

Guests:

HAND OUTS:

Agenda; Minutes of May 2017 Board Meeting; Treasurer's Report; **Resolution #2017-31:** Property Tax & Maintenance & Foreclosure Proceeds Distribution Policies; Property Disposition Approvals; **Resolution #2017-22: 26 Meadow Lea.** Amherst, Corporation's 2016 Tax Return, Real Estate Subcommittee's Report

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the May 18, 2017 Board of Directors Meeting were presented and reviewed. A motion was made by James Comerford Jr., to approve, seconded by Joseph L. Maciejewski and unanimously carried as approved.
3. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Joseph Maciejewski presented a Treasurer's Report as of May 30, 2017 with a balance of \$ 2,004,666.59 (M&T Bank). A motion was made by Joseph L. Maciejewski to approve, seconded by Robert Keating and unanimously carried as approved.

4. Bid Approvals:

- **Resolution #2017-31: Property Tax & Maintenance & Foreclosure Proceeds Distribution Policies**

Resolution #2017-31 - Alex Carducci presented to the Board an example of a change in policy for the Property Distribution Policy for the 2018 Fiscal Year. A motion was made by Timothy Ball to approve the current policy, seconded by James Comerford Jr. and unanimously carried as approved.

Resolution #2017-31 ATTACHED.

5. Dispositions:

- **Resolution #2017-26 Disposition of 26 Meadow Lea, Amherst**

Resolution #2017-26 - BENLIC acquired the property of 26 Meadow Lea, Amherst via Erie County In-Rem Auction #163. BENLIC proposed to dispose the property to New Opportunities Community Housing Development Corporation (NOCHDC) for \$29,700. BENLIC Board of Directors authorizes the disposition of the property in the amount of \$29,700 to NOCHDC in accordance with property distribution guidelines of the Corporation. A motion was made by Joseph L. Maciejewski to approve, seconded by Timothy Ball and unanimously carried as approved.

Resolution #2017-26 ATTACHED.

6. Corporation's 2016 Tax Return

Drescher & Malecki made a presentation regarding the Corporation's 2016 tax return to the. An error by a former employee led to a missed deadline in the filing. Any charges incurred will be covered by Drescher & Malecki.

7. Accounting Services Request for Proposals

As BENLIC is growing and the Property transactions are becoming more complex and accounting service for BENLIC may be necessary.

8. Real Estate sub-committee Report

59 North Main Street, Village of Angola - Due to the continuing uncertainty surrounding the zoning of the property and ability to facilitate a sale the subcommittee's recommendation is that BENLIC Director attend the Angola Board of Trustees meeting with BENLIC council and appraise them of the current situation regarding this property to seek a resolution from the Angola Village for distribution of 59 North Main Street.

12880 Schutt, Town of Sardinia. The subcommittee made a recommendation the Board to abandon the side lot program for 12880 Schutt. Recommendation of the Property Subcommittee to list the property for sale at \$3,900 with a \$2,400 minimum sale price.

9. 511 Terrace, Depew Demolition

Joseph L. Maciejewski and James Comerford Jr. will arrange meeting with Village of Depew to better understand requirements and processes involved in demolitions within the Village.

Executive director Report:

- New and improved BENLIC website for easier customer and government accessibility.
- 2017 RFF County-wide RFF Process is progressing earlier and more efficient.
- Project Update – 72 Schauf Ave, Buffalo on schedule.
- BENLIC Visit from LISC Grant Manager July 10th.
- Center for Community Progress to Present at Buffalo Conference – BENLIC to Provide tour of completed work and work in progress – November 2017.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Timothy Ball and seconded by Joseph Hogenkamp and unanimously carried as adjourned.

NEXT MEETING: Board of Directors – 11 a.m. July 20, 2017
Location: Brisbane Building Conference Room 521 (403 Main St)

Recorded by: Frank E Krakowski
Submitted for Approval: Frank E Krakowski
Adopted by BENLIC Board Members on _____