

Ark City Land Bank Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting Minutes

The Arkansas City Land Bank Board of Trustees met in regular session at **5:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 16, 2019**, in the Commission Room at City Hall, located at 118 W. Central Ave. in Arkansas City.

Vice Chair **Karen Welch** called the meeting to order. Other board members present at roll call were Trustee **Kanyon Gingher** and Trustee **Duane Oestmann**. Chairman **Jay Warren**, Trustee **Dan Jurkovich** and City Clerk/Secretary **Lesley Shook** all were absent.

City employees present at the meeting were City Manager **Nick Hernandez**, City Attorney **Tamara Niles**, Public Information Officer **Andrew Lawson**, Finance Director/Treasurer **Kathy Cornwell** and Building Official **Mike Bellis**.

Agenda Approval

Trustee Oestmann made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Trustee Gingher seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Vice Chair Welch declared the agenda approved.

Minutes

Trustee Oestmann made a motion to approve the **January 15, 2019**, regular meeting minutes as presented. Trustee Gingher seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Vice Chair Welch declared the minutes approved.

Business

Receive and Discuss Mid-Year Report

City Manager Hernandez said there is not much of a mid-year report to present because not much has been done yet with the Land Bank. The proposed 2020 budget has been set at **\$3,500.00**.

In a written report, Principal Planner Josh White said he has nothing new to report, other than that he did mail an application to a potential applicant for **715 E. Jackson Ave.** (a.k.a. **838 South F St.**).

But White has heard nothing further from the individual, and that was at least a month ago.

The inventory of Land Bank property is on the City website under the Land Bank program page (which can be found under **Public Works > Neighborhood Services**). It also can be accessed at:

http://www.arkansascityks.gov/document_center/Government/Public%20Works/Land%20Bank%20Property%20Inventory.pdf

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White said he is open to any ideas to market these properties more to generate additional interest.

City Attorney Niles said the City can resume going to tax sales for property with unclaimed taxes.

Approve 2020 Budget

Trustee Gingher made a motion to approve the **2020 budget** as presented. Trustee Oestmann seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Vice Chair Welch declared the motion approved. The budget now will be forwarded to the City Commission for approval as part of the City's overall 2020 budget process.

Adjournment

Trustee Oestmann made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Gingher seconded the motion.

A voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Vice Chair Welch declared the meeting adjourned at **5:06 p.m.**

**THE ARKANSAS CITY
LAND BANK BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Karen Welch, Vice Chair

ATTEST:

Lesley Shook, Secretary

Prepared by:

Andrew Lawson, Public Information Officer