

Redevelopment Authority of Lawrence County  
Meeting Minutes  
May 23, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Redevelopment Authority of Lawrence County was held at the McKelvey Campus Center at Westminster College, located at 319 S. Market Street, New Wilmington, PA, at 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.

**Attendance:**

**Redevelopment Authority:** Robert Donadio, Chairman  
Dennis Alduk, Vice Chairman  
Jim Gagliano  
Jon Natale (arrived late)

**Staff:** Amy McKinney, Executive Director  
Rebecca Shaffer, Dept. Director of Community Development  
Mary Glass, Office Manager/CDBG Administrator

**Public:** Janine Malloy, R.A.R. Engineering Group Inc.  
Nicholas Vercilla, New Castle News

**Call to Order**

The May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, meeting of the Redevelopment Authority of Lawrence County was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by Robert Donadio.

**Additions/Deletions to Agenda**

None

**Public Comments**

None

**Regular Agenda**

- a. **Approval of minutes** – Jim Gagliano moved, seconded by Dennis Alduk, to approve the minutes from the April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meeting. Motion carried, 3-0
  - **Secretary/Treasurer Report** – Balance of RALC accounts as of 04/30/2024 was \$1,319,068.31.
- b. **New Business** –
  1. **Realtor Association Meeting:**
    - Amy McKinney, Rebecca Shaffer and Mary Glass attended the Realtor’s Association meeting held on May 16<sup>th</sup> at The Confluence in the City of New Castle. They updated the association on blight removal, the Side Yard purchase program and Parks & Recreation throughout the county.
  2. **Countywide Blight Removal Program Update:**
    - We have received an application from the City of New Castle for demolition reimbursement of Parcel ID 06-041500 located at 802 W. Washington Street. All documentation is in order and the resolution is listed on the Action Agenda for possible approval.
- c. **Old Business** –
  1. **Countywide Blight Removal Program Update -**
    - **First Merit** – Janine Malloy of R.A.R. Engineering Group, Inc. updated the board on the status of demolition stating that all asbestos has been removed, the building is being demolished and road closures are being kept at a minimum. She also stated that the plan is for the building to be completely down by the end of June and for the debris to be removed and the lot to be backfilled by the mid to end of July.

- **Round 1 - 2024** – We received bids for three Repository demolitions from Fryer Excavating LLC, Siegel Excavating LLC and ProQuality Demolition. Low bidder is Siegel Excavating LLC.
- 2. **Agreement with Tax Claim** – The draft agreement is not complete at this time; however, we are hoping to have it ready for review at our next meeting on June 20, 2024.
- 3. **Deeds** – Two deeds have been prepared for the transfer of Side Yard lots previously approved.

#### **Action Agenda**

- a. Approval of Bills – Checks were presented for payment and signature. Jim Gagliano moved; Dennis Alduk seconded approval of Payment of Bills.  
Motion carried 4-0.
- b. Jon Natale moved; Jim Gagliano seconded the approval of Resolution R-2024-13 entering into agreement with Siegel Excavating for Round 1 – 2024 – Contract #1 demolitions.  
Motion carried 4-0
- c. Jim Gagliano moved; Jon Natale seconded the approval of Resolution R-2024-14 entering into agreement with the City of New Castle for demolition reimbursement of a structure locate 802 W. Washington Street, New Castle, PA.  
Motion carried 4-0

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 12:00 pm in the Commissioner’s Conference Room, located on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of the Lawrence County Government Center located at 430 Court Street, New Castle, PA.

**Adjournment** – Dennis Alduk moved; Jon Natale seconded the meeting adjourn at 12:27 p.m.