

February 12, 2008

Land Bank Fast Track

Dwight begins Land Bank meeting announcing the changes that will be made, such as terms of office, what to do when the terms expire, and once it is approved, Dwight will have to take back to the Ogemaw County Commissioners to get approved.

Dwight discusses that we are a “public corporation”. The bylaws are reviewed and Dwight asks for any questions. Lance mentions that anytime we have to we can go back into the bylaws and change them. Conflict of interest is discussed and that a form would be created to be signed to make aware of the conflict of interest, such as the conflict of interest as West Branch Township.

Lance makes a motion to approve it and Jerry Wolf seconds it. All in favor and no one opposes.

Liz mentions priority use of properties. Dwight states that you can pick and choose which priority you use; they don't have to be in that specific order. Jim Lenton says we can number the priorities towards numbers he believes.

Denny states that it should not be a priority but a policy.

Flora proposed a drafted mission statements towards the goals and objectives of the Michigan Land Bank. Models could be such as those of Grand Traverse County.

Flora suggested what is the purpose of the Michigan Land Bank in Ogemaw County, one sentence, that is very simple to what we want to do. Lance states that he does not want to involve too many because he wants the Land Bank to stay as an authority. Denny states that we should never consider losing the authority but we still need to hear how others feel.

Mission Statement needs to be created.

The Ogemaw County Land Bank Fast Track Authority seeks to support the quality of life and economic development throughout Ogemaw County.

Goals: Promote economic development.

Objective: Seek the input of the affected community(ies).

Goals: Address the problems created by the blighted, obsolete and contaminated sites throughout the county.

Objective: 1: Create/obtain resources necessary to address problems associated with these sites.

2: Undertake a County-wide education/information program.

3: Establish clear point-of-contact for assistance.

Dwight states that our homework is to look over the policies and priorities..

Dwight adjourns the meeting at 4:00pm. Jerry seconds it.

Next meeting is March 4th at 10:00am.