

Date of Meeting: Thursday, January 15, 2009

Land Banks Minutes

Members

Jerry Wolf, Jim Clark, Dwight McIntyre, Denny Weiss, Jane Tennant, Liz Steinhurst, Alan Bruder, and Sue Delahanty.

Land Bank Attendees

Denny Weiss, Jane Tennant, Liz Steinhurst, Kathy Adair, Denny Weiss, Dwight McIntyre, Sue Delahanty, Lee Ann Fischer and Al West from NEMAH.

Dwight opens the Land Bank meeting at 10:20am. Liz makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes, Dwight seconds, and all in favor.

Dwight reviews the agreement with the County and Land Bank. Lance is no longer the supervisor for the Land Bank and a new supervisor must be elected. Sue suggests someone from Mills Township, such as Lloyd, the new supervisor for Mills Township. Dwight will approach Lloyd and discuss the position with him, if he is unable, Dwight will look further.

Ogemaw County Housing Authority is a non-profit organization and is interested in assisting the Land Bank with seeking out properties and re-develop them for the community. This does not really apply to HUD homes and is not as common as in the metro areas. Lee Ann has searched HUD homes in Ogemaw County and has not found HUD homes in Ogemaw County that would be available for the Land Bank.

Kathy discusses the strategy to enhance Mills Township and areas in the County, to renovate the area, with a new supervisor, and enlist community pride in the areas. Jane states that the City of West Branch purchased two vacant homes in the City and is in the process of renovating them and will resell this summer. The City of West Branch has done some rental rehabs with **MSHDA**.

Dwight motions to adjourn, Liz seconds, and all in favor.

Next meeting will be February 10th, 2009 at the Ogemaw County Building.