LAND BANK COMMISSION MEETING

March 26, 2024

Paragould Land Bank Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Room of City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman White at 3:59 p.m.

Commissioners present were Bobby Kasserman, Noah Tullos, and Pat Austin. Kimberly Dale was present via telephone.

Mayor Josh Agee, Director of Economic Development and CEO at the Paragould Regional Chamber of Commerce CEO Allison Hestand, Chief Inspector Kevin Lang, Captain Brendan Baldridge, and Secretary/Treasurer Tara Sexton were present.

Old Business

Motion made by Commissioner Kasserman to approve the February 27, 2024 minutes; seconded by Councilmember Austin. All in favor.

Commissioners discussed the upcoming Clean Sweep event on March 30, 2024, from 9 a.m.-noon, in which Clean Sweep volunteers would target 3rd, 4th, and 5th Streets for clean-up in the Northend District.

Commissioners discussed meeting with Adam Followell, Director of Public Works for Paragould, to do an audit of certain streets in the Northend District to assess infrastructure needs, signage and lights.

Commissioners discussed vacant lots in the Northend District and the possibility of offering a waiver of permit fees for builders opting to build in our overlay districts. Commissioners also discussed easements and right of way on certain streets in the Northend District.

Commissioners reviewed the attendance policy for the Land Bank Commission.

New Business

Commissioners, along with Kevin Lang and Cpt. Brendan Baldridge, discussed code enforcement in the Northend District and working together to achieve the goals of the land bank. Mr. Lang discussed condemnation versus property management and the code enforcement department's role.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the commission, Commissioner Kasserman moved the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Commissioner Tullos. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

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Keith White, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Tara Sexton, Secretary/Treasurer