

## **LAND BANK COMMISSION MEETING**

**January 23, 2024**

Paragould Land Bank Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 3:58 p.m. in the Council Room of City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman White at 3:58 p.m.

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

Director of Economic Development and CEO at the Paragould Regional Chamber of Commerce CEO Allison Hestand, Director of Planning and Development Kevin Lang, and Secretary/Treasurer Tara Sexton were present.

### **Old Business**

Motion made by Commissioner Dale to approve the November 30, 2023 minutes; seconded by Councilmember Kasserman. All in favor.

Commissioners discussed the updated Midtown Overlay District map and updated district boundaries.

Commissioners were presented with a copy of the most up to date ordinance for the city of Paragould regarding property condemnation and discussed any potential effects it may have on the land bank and future properties acquired by the land bank. Director of Planning and Development was available for follow-up questions. Any future discussion of potential proposed changes to the condemnation ordinance will be tabled until the next meeting so that Commissioners have more time to review.

Secretary Sexton distributed pictures of all existing properties in the Northend Overlay District with city liens. Commissioners discussed properties and focusing on one particular area in the Northend district to maximize impact. Secretary Sexton will prepare a map for the February meeting showing all city lien and condemnation properties in the Northend District. Commissioners discussed visiting the Northend District to get a better idea of the district's needs, as well as having signage made for the districts.

Commissioners discussed the 2024 land bank budget and possible ideas on how to use the budget. Topics included infrastructure improvements, the hiring of a design group to create Residential Design Standards for future land bank properties, and the purchase of stock floor plans for citizens who are interested in land bank property to utilize.

### **New Business**

Commissioners discussed partnering with Clean Sweep Paragould to encourage homeowners and property owners in the Northend District to participate in the event in March.

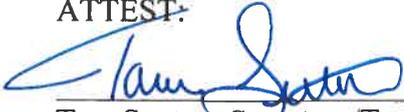
**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the commission, Commissioner Dale moved the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Commissioner Tullos. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.



Keith White, Chairman

ATTEST:



Tara Sexton, Secretary/Treasurer