Redevelopment Authority County of Greene Meeting Minutes January 11, 2021

CALL TO ORDER Thelma Szarell called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

SIGN IN

<u>Present</u>: Marcia Sonneborn, Thelma Szarell, Barry Nelson, George Scull, Ralph Burchianti (On Phone)

Absent:

Guests Present: Mike Belding (On Phone), Betsy McClure, Blair Zimmerman (On Phone), Cara

Cox

Staff Present: Dave Calvario

REORGANIZATION OF BOARD (Election of New Officers)

George Scull made a motion nominating Barry Nelson as Chair, Marcia Sonneborn as Vice Chair, Ralph Burchianti as Treasurer, George Scull as Secretary, and Thelma Szarell as Assistant Treasurer/Secretary, and moved that nominations be closed. Ralph Burchianti 2nd. All were in favor and the motion passed.

NEW OFFICERS TAKE OFFICE

Thelma Szarell turned the meeting over to Barry Nelson, newly elected Chair, to continue the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Calvario informed the Board that Steve Salisbury had surgery on December 28 and is still on Workmen's Compensation.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Barry Nelson made a motion to accept the minutes from the December 14, 2020 meeting as distributed via email. George Scull 2nd. All were in favor and the motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Went into Executive Session at 1:05 p.m. to discuss personnel items. Came out of Executive Session at 1:17 p.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Calvario presented the December 2020 Balance Sheet, Current Month P & L, YTD P & L, and County Statement of Revenues and Expenditures (through 11-30-20). Calvario stated that expenditures and income were normal for the month. George Scull made a motion to accept the

Treasurer's Report as distributed for file and final audit. Thelma Szarell 2nd. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Calvario presented and reviewed list of current Land Contracts. Ten Land Contracts are in place as of January 1, 2021. Two to three should be paid in full this spring/summer.

OLD BUSINESS

Properties for Sale

Floral Shop asking \$89,000. Meeting on 1-13-21 with Center for Community Resources and County representatives regarding CCR's interest in the building. Message left and text sent to John Bokat regarding interest in building. No response.

23 Wood Avenue, Nemacolin is For Sale. Asking \$45,000. No calls. For Sale fliers placed in Nemacolin, Carmichaels, and Crucible.

215 2nd St, Clarksville (Pitt Gas). Almost finished. Asking \$72,500. Couple interested and should sign Land Contract soon.

323 5th Ave, Crucible. Asking \$84,900. Some interest.

Land Bank Law

SB 667 Land Bank law. Commissioners are in favor of forming Land Bank. Gene Grimm, County Solicitor, will work on in early 2021.

Delinquent Taxes on Properties Purchased at 2019 Judicial Sale

Delinquent school tax notices received from Carmichaels and Jefferson Morgan School Districts on properties purchased at June 2019 Judicial Sale. Letter sent from Colin Fitch and Calvario explaining matter. Letter was received from JM School District stating that 2019 school taxes have been waived on properties in question. No response from Carmichaels School District. Calvario did send an email to the Superintendent asking for update.

Update on Land Contracts Due/Past Due

-1880 Jefferson Rd, Rices Landing. Person is still unemployed and current on payment.

Clarksville Blighted Homes (Pitt Gas)

Demolishing two homes in Pitt Gas in partnership with Jefferson Township.

17 Wood Street, Nemacolin

Home that Robert Morofsky is donating to RDA. Closed on home 12-16-20. Colin Fitch believed documentation from Barclay's Bank and copy of cancelled check was adequate to close.

Nineveh Heights

PHARE 2018 grant of \$800,000 to build homes in Nineveh with Threshold Housing. Drawings from Harshman Engineering of smaller development presented. CNX owns this property. Largest expense

would be running sewer line almost one mile. Calvario will contact CNX regarding donating the land to RDA contingent upon RDA having a plan to develop the land. Calvario will also explore on-lot septic system with Chief Sewage Officer for Township.

29 Wood Street, Nemacolin (Homework House w Carmichaels School District)

Home is finished. Retaining wall will be rebuilt by Township. Calvario meeting with School District at home 1-14-21.

64 Diaz St, Nemacolin

Purchased from John Krency estate. We need to have Steve rehabilitate this home in order to save money due to selling price of homes in Nemacolin. Plan is for County Prisoners to gut inside of home to save Steve time when he rehabs.

Blight Survey of Nemacolin and Crucible

Survey finished last week. Results will be placed into GIS and layers developed to show larger picture to help decide next steps.

Tax Assessment Appeals

Paperwork appealing 46 School Street reassessment submitted. Appeals on 40 Wood and 46 School should be heard in early April 2021.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Two modular homes for Rogersville were ordered. Do not expect delivery until April or May.
- 2. Next Judicial Sale should be held in March. Per Tax Claim, sale will consist mostly of vacant land.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 1. Finances. Need to sell houses/LIPCs. Ten LIPCs are in place (1880 Jefferson Rd, 133 Bowlby, 333 Steele Hill Rd, 54 1st Ave, 63-64 C St, 323 3rd St, 190 March Ave, 126 A St, 40 Wood, 46 School); and rentals of 295 5th Ave, 126 Fairview Ave, 363 Nazer St, 81 C St, and 33 A St. Nemacolin home-owner repair payments are also being made monthly.
- 2. Howard Moats is currently rehabbing 401 N. Market St, Carmichaels. Home Remodeling by Riggs is also assisting with this job.
- 3. Payments in arrears (over one month): 295 5th Ave, Crucible, six months (unemployed due to Covid, health issues, has sweat equity in home). 185 & 186 March Ave, Nemacolin, four months on mortgage, ten months on home repair. Letters from each family distributed.

After discussion, George Scull made a motion to revisit payment(s) progress that individual in 295 5th Ave, Crucible makes in three months. Thelma Szarell 2nd. All were in favor and the motion passed.

After discussion, Thelma Szarell made a motion for family in 185 and 186 March Ave, Nemacolin to pay as much as they can in the next three months, and Board of Directors will review effort and progress made and evaluate in April. Marcia Sonneborn 2nd. All were in favor and the motion passed.

4. Article on, "Want to Move to the Countryside?" distributed.

ADJOURNMENT

Marcia Sonneborn made a motion to adjourn at 2:16 p.m.