

Redevelopment Authority of Lawrence County Meeting Minutes

January 23, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Redevelopment Authority of Lawrence County was held at the Commissioner's Meeting Room located at 430 Court Street, New Castle, PA at 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 23, 2025.

Attendance:

Redevelopment Authority: Robert Donadio, Chairman
Dennis Alduk, Vice Chairman
Frank Telesz, Secretary
Jim Gagliano

Staff: Amy McKinney, Executive Director
Rebecca Shaffer, Deputy Director of Community Development
Mary Glass, Office Manager/CDBG Administrator
Ryan Long, Solicitor

Public: None

Call to Order

The January 23, 2025 meeting of the Redevelopment Authority of Lawrence County was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Dennis Alduk.

Public Comments

None

Regular Agenda

- a. **Approval of minutes** – Jim Gagliano moved, seconded by Frank Telesz, to approve the minutes from the December 19th, 2024, meeting. Motion carried, 4-0
- b. **Secretary/Treasurer Report** – Balance of RALC accounts as of 12/31/2024 was \$1,301,544.97. Staff submitted a review of available funds and funding sources.
- c. **New Business** – None
- d. **Old Business** –
 - **Countywide Blight Removal Program Update -**
 - **Demolitions update-**
 - First Merit – All required documentation has been received for payment minus the retainage fee which will be held until the Spring when final inspection of the lot will be completed.
 - Round 2 2024 – One of the three demolitions has been completed. We recently received the demolition permits for the other two so they should be completed soon.
 - **Façade Program** – The updated guidelines and application was sent out to all Lawrence County municipalities and Forward Lawrence on January 15th, 2025. All applications for the 2025 year are due by March 31, 2025. A recommendation will be made to the board at our April 24, 2025, meeting. The maximum amount per award will be \$25,000.

Action Agenda

- a. Approval of Bills – Checks were presented for payment and signature. Frank Telesz moved;

Robert Donadio seconded the approval of Payment of Bills.

Motion carried 4-0.

- b. Jim Gagliano moved; Robert Donadio seconded the approval of Resolution R-2025-01 approving the transfer of one (1) side lot from Tax Claim (repository) to RALC. RALC simultaneously transfers side lots to applicants:

- KELLER, MAEDEL

Motion carried 4-0

- c. Jim Gagliano moved; Frank Telesz seconded the approval of Resolution R-2025-02 approving the transfer of seven (7) vacant lots from Tax Claim (repository) to RALC. RALC simultaneously transfers vacant lots to applicants:

- DON ENTERPRISES INC

Motion carried 4-0

- d. Jim Gagliano moved; Robert Donadio seconded the approval of Resolution R-2025-03 entering into agreement with Shenango Township for demolition reimbursement of a structure located at 127 Kerr Road, New Castle, PA.

Motion carried 4-0

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 27, 2025, at 12:00 pm in the Commissioner's Meeting room located on the 1ST floor of the Lawrence County Government Center located at 430 Court Street, New Castle, PA.

Adjournment – Frank Telesz moved; Robert Donadio seconded the meeting adjourn at 12:28 PM.

Motion carried 4-0