

## Board Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2026 @ 11:00am

Board of Commissioner's Committee Room A  
1200 N Telegraph  
Pontiac, MI 48341

- Call to Order  
Wittenberg (P) Manna (P) Mitchell (A) Stephens (P) Hansen (A)
- Approval of Agenda  
Motion to approve agenda by Stephens. Second by Manna. **APPROVED**
- Approval of 11-13-25 Minutes  
Motion to approve minutes by Manna. Second by Stephens. **APPROVED**
- Public Comment regarding items on agenda only – 3 minutes per person  
  
None
- Executive Director report
  - Potential housing grant coming with Community Housing Network
  - Annual Report provided and presented to Finance Committee of OC Board of Commissioners – No action needed.
- New Business
  - Budget  
  
Motion to approve budget by Stephens. Second by Manna.  
  
Wittenberg (YES) Manna (YES) Stephens (YES) **APPROVED**
  - Resolutions
  - Conveyance of unsold land sale properties  
Motion to approve resolution to accept land sale properties from 2024-2025 by Manna. Second by Stephens.  
Wittenberg (YES) Manna (YES) Stephens (YES) **APPROVED**

- Receive 3 properties from Tollbrook Brokerage  
Motion to approve resolution to receive 3 properties by Stephens. Seconded by Manna. Wittenberg (YES) Manna (YES) Stephens (YES) **APPROVED**
- Communications Briefing provided by Renee Walker, Oakland County Treasurer's Office. Key Messages provided to assist board members with talking points on OCLBA successes.
- Motion to amend agenda to add Election of Officers by Hansen. Seconded by Stephens. **APPROVED**
- Motion to retain the same slate of officers – Dannis Mitchell as Secretary and Martin Manna as Treasurer by Stephens. Seconded by Manna. **APPROVED**
- Old Business
  - Legislation update
    - SB 484 & SB 485 to Allow Land Banks to collect 50% capture on tax foreclosures for 8 years. Michigan Land Bank Association is working with MML, Realtors and other organizations for support. Habitat Oakland, Community Housing, OLSHA/Venture, Housing Trust Fund are willing to speak publicly to support this legislation. Lots of MSHDA projects that are unfunded that could be supported.
    - Senator Slotkin is working on federal legislation to support land banks.
  - Round 3 Blight Elimination Project grant approved for demolition of Wever School in Pontiac. Architectural Salvage Warehouse is deconstructing reuseable materials like doors, windows etc. Environmental firm on contract to do environmental oversight. Goal to complete demolition by September 2026. \$415K grant from State Land Bank Authority and Treasurer's Office will cover additional costs like environmental remediation.
  - GIS Map update – Pontiac map is nearly complete. Oakland County owing so much data has been very helpful to expedite this map development. Suggestions to offer mapping services to other communities including Economic Development/Main Street Staff who may not have GIS staff.
- Board Comments  
Hansen expressed appreciation to Jill and Dannis for subject matter experts to facilitate at a Main Street event in October 2025. It worked out really well and their support was appreciated.
- Public Comment - 3 minutes per person  
None
- Other Business  
None

- Next meeting date – March 12, 2026 @ 1:00pm
- Motion to adjourn at 12:31pm by Hansen. Seconded by Stephens. **APPROVED**