

MINUTES FROM A SPECIAL MEETING HELD BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE WARREN COUNTY ARMORY CIVIC CENTER MEETING ROOM ON FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2013 AT 1:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bertadean W. Baker. Other Commissioners present: Ruby Downey, Jennifer Jordan, Barry Richardson and Ulysses S. Ross. Others in attendance: County Manager Linda T. Worth, County Finance Officer Barry Mayo and County Attorney Karlene Turrentine.

Clerk to the Board Kearney-Dunlap read aloud the Notice of Special meeting.

A moment of silence was followed by the Clerk to the Board reading the "Conflict of Interest Disclaimer."

"Members of the County Board of Commissioners are advised, hereby, of their duty under the State Government Ethics Act to avoid conflicts of interest and the appearance of such conflict; and, further, are instructed to refrain from participating in any matter coming before this Board of County Commissioners with respect to which there is a conflict of interest or appearance of such conflict".

In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every Board member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict.

Does any Board member have any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matter coming before this Board today?

If so, please identify the conflict and refrain from any undue participation in the particular matter involved.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson, which was seconded by Commissioner Downey and duly carried by unanimous vote, the March 1, 2013 Special Meeting Agenda was adopted as presented.

Citizen Comments:

Bill Davis - Spoke in opposition of allocating funds for housing project out of tax payer dollars, should be handled by the school system.

Ron Skow – Shared that Habitat for Humanity which helps low-income citizens with housing has been finding it hard to quality people for home ownership. County should not be in business of putting people in housing.

Carolyn Spain – yielded her 3 minutes to Cathy Alston-Kearney to speak.

Cathy Alston-Kearney – Wanted to clear up that the housing is for working families, work would be contracted out to Warren County contractors and local citizens would be employed to do the work.

Andrew Riggelman – Stated he was confused. He thought the County was going through bad times, why are we taking taxpayer dollars and giving to folk that cannot afford to pay for a house. He's opposed to it.

On motion of Commissioner Jordan, which was seconded by Commissioner Downey and duly carried by unanimous vote, it was order to appropriate \$20,000 from Fund Balance to the Ephraim Place CDBG Project to fund grants up to \$5,000 to 4 qualified families/individuals to provide closing costs/down payment assistance, with the stipulation that there must be no fewer than 4 qualified families/individuals chosen to receive grant funds and they must be in a position to commence construction in Ephraim Place Subdivision on or before April 1, 2013 in order to receive the grant funding from Warren County.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson, which was seconded by Commissioner Ross and duly carried it was ordered to adopt Amendment # 7 to the Warren County FY 2012-13 Budget

Ordinance to appropriate \$20,000 from Fund Balance to the Ephraim Place CDBG Project as stated.

County Attorney Turrentine stated that the funds would need to be administered through the Department of Social Services budget in order to comply with general statute if tax dollars are used for the project.

Commissioner Richardson withdrew his motion and Commissioner Ross withdrew his second to the motion.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson, which was seconded by Commissioner Jordan and duly carried by unanimous vote, it was ordered to approve Amendment # 7 to the Warren County FY 2012-13 Budget Ordinance with funding source Fund Balance – Fees and Services.

**AMENDMENT TO THE WARREN COUNTY BUDGET ORDINANCE
2012/2013
Amendment No. 7**

Section 1 of the Warren County Budget Ordinance, pertaining to the General Fund operations of the County, shall be amended as follows:

Increase/(Decrease) Appropriations:

Transfer to Other Funds - Ephraim Place	20,000
Total	\$ 20,000

Section 2 of the Warren County Budget Ordinance, pertaining to the General Fund operations of the County, shall be amended as follows:

Fund Balance Appropriated - Fees and Services	20,000
Total	20,000

This amendment:

- appropriates funds from Fees and Services of Fund Balance to the Ephraim Place Housing Development to provide grants of up to \$5,000 to provide closing costs and down payment assistance for four low-to- moderate income (LMI) families or individuals to build homes in the Ephraim Place Subdivision.

Respectfully Submitted 03/01/2013

Barry J. Mayo
Barry J. Mayo, Finance Director

On motion of Commissioner Richardson, which was seconded by Commissioner Jordan and duly carried by unanimous vote, it was ordered to approve Amendment # 5 to the 03-C-1187 CDBG Ephraim Place Housing Project, funding source Fund Balance-Fees and Services.

**CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE
WARREN COUNTY
AMENDMENT TO THE GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE FOR THE
EPHRAIM PLACE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
(Amendment No. 5)**

Section 3 The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete the project:

Transfer from General Fund	20,000
Total	\$ 20,000

Section 4 The following amounts are appropriated for the project:

Closing Cost/Down Payment Assistance	20,000
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Total	\$ 20,000

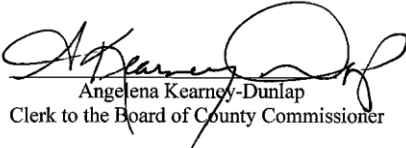
Explanation:

appropriates funds to the Ephraim Place Housing Development to provide grants of up to \$5,000 to provide closing costs and down payment assistance for four low-to-moderate income (LMI) families or individuals to build homes in the Ephraim Place Subdivision.

Respectfully Submitted 03-01-2013

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With no further business to discuss and on motion of Commissioner Richardson which was seconded by Commissioner Ross and duly carried, the March 1, 2013 Board of Commissioners special meeting was adjourned.


Angelena Kearney-Dunlap
Clerk to the Board of County Commissioner