

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE MEETING – JUNE 24, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Lonnie Mosley at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken, showing a quorum present as follows.

Members Present:

Lonnie Mosley, Chairman
Roy Mosley, Jr.
Scott Greenwald
Marty Crawford (telephonically)

Others Present:

Whitney Strohmeyer, Tax Agent Office
Mike Mitchell, Demolition Coordinator

Members Absent:

Joan McIntosh
Dean Pruett
James Haywood

1. MINUTES:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2020 Trustee Committee Meeting. Motion carried.

2. TAX AGENT'S REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS:

- a. **Revolving Account Activity:** The Revolving Account Activity Report for May 2020 shows a Beginning Balance of \$37,161.76 Total Disbursements of –(0)–, Receipts of \$2,428.95, Allocated Pool Interest in the amount of \$11.37 with a Balance at Month End of \$39,602.08.
- b. **Payment Account Activity:** The Payment Account Activity Report for February 2020 shows a Beginning Balance of \$1,152,034.04 and a Balance at Month End of \$1,070,426.46; March 2020 shows a Beginning Balance of \$1,070,426.46 and a Balance at Month End of \$988,077.81; April 2020 shows a Beginning Balance of \$988,077.81 and a Balance at Month End of \$1,020,212.06; and May 2020 shows a Beginning Balance of \$1,020,212.06 and a Balance at Month End of \$1,073,687.40.
- c. **Monthly Redemption Reports:**
The Real Estate Monthly Redemption Report for February 2020 shows the Amount of Penalty as \$21,684.79; the Amount of Tax as \$70,282.52; Year to Date Totals of the Amount of Penalty as \$46,391.18 and the Year to Date Amount of Tax as \$147,314.91. The Total Collected Year to Date is \$193,706.09.
March 2020 shows the Amount of Penalty as \$21,890.79; the Amount of Tax as \$70,560.92; Year to Date Totals of the Amount of Penalty as \$68,281.97 and the Year to Date Amount of Tax as \$217,875.83. The Total Collected Year to Date is \$286,157.80.
April 2020 shows the Amount of Penalty as \$27,533.04; the Amount of Tax as \$73,357.35; Year to Date Totals of the Amount of Penalty as \$98,815.01 and the Year to Date Amount of Tax as \$291,233.18. The Total Collected Year to Date is \$387,048.19.

May 2020 shows the Amount of Penalty as \$81,911.15; the Amount of Tax as \$178,786.65; Year to Date Totals of the Amount of Penalty as \$177,726.16 and the Year to Date Amount of Tax as \$470,019.83. The Total Collected Year to Date is \$647,745.99.

The Mobile Home Monthly Redemption Report for February 2020 shows the Amount of Penalty as \$891.68; the Amount of Tax as \$2,291.31; Year to Date Totals of the Amount of Penalty as \$1,481.36 and the Year to Date Amount of Tax as \$5,000.16. The Total Collected Year to Date is \$6,481.52.

March 2020 shows the Amount of Penalty as \$666.16; the Amount of Tax as \$1,892.15; Year to Date Totals of the Amount of Penalty as \$2,147.52 and the Year to Date Amount of Tax as \$6,892.31. The Total Collected Year to Date is \$9,039.83.

April 2020 shows the Amount of Penalty as \$2,305.85; the Amount of Tax as \$3,452.75; Year to Date Totals of the Amount of Penalty as \$4,453.37 and the Year to Date Amount of Tax as \$10,345.06. The Total Collected Year to Date is \$14,798.43.

May 2020 shows the Amount of Penalty as \$671.71; the Amount of Tax as \$1,046.75; Year to Date Totals of the Amount of Penalty as \$5,125.08 and the Year to Date Amount of Tax as \$11,391.81. The Total Collected Year to Date is \$16,516.89.

- d. **Monthly Resolution List:** During the month of June 2020 there were 255 resolutions presented to the Committee for consideration showing a Total Collected of \$655,852.01 total to County Clerk of \$19,724.65; total to Auctioneer of \$3,573.84, total to Recorder of Deeds \$11,673.00, total to Agent of \$188,240.17 total to County Treasurer of \$432,279.11 and a total to County of \$463,676.76. Total to the Treasurer was reduced by refund due of \$2,691.81.

e. **Update Report:**

Robert and Deborah Merriwether – Account # 201500889: Payment of \$491.00 to be paid by March 25, 2020. No payment received.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Tax Agent's reports. Motion carried.

3. **VISITORS' REQUESTS:**

- a. **Down Payment Accounts:** Mr. Strohmeyer presented a list of accounts on which down payments have been paid and a six (6) month time payment extension granted. He also highlighted some accounts that are old and need to be paid.
A motion was made by Mr. Mosley, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Greenwald to grant the 6 month extensions. Motion carried.
- b. **Payment in Full Accounts:** Mr. Strohmeyer presented a list of accounts which were paid in full.
- c. **William Webb by Mr. Strohmeyer:** Mr. Strohmeyer stated that William Webb lives across the street from the property is located at 740 and 750 North 37th Street in East St. Louis. He has been maintaining the property and he would like to purchase it. He would like to pay the minimum and it has been offered in the auction with no bids. Mr. L. Mosley will check out the property and if maintained will ask the Committee to approve accepting the offer at the next meeting. Request is tabled until the July 22, 2020 meeting. No Action.

- d. **East St. Louis Housing Authority by Mr. Strohmeyer:** Mr. Strohmeyer requested on behalf of the East St. Louis Housing Authority, Angela Roberts, Staff Attorney submitted a list of parcels and a map. They would like to obtain them for a "Choice Neighborhood Planning" Grant. There are six (6) different sets of properties, 1st set (5 parcels) is in 200 block of North 6th Street, 2nd set (11 parcels) across the street was sold in the auction and is paid for in full and is in tonight's resolution list to be approved. Mr. R. Mosley, Jr. suggested that Mr. Strohmeyer hold on the sale and remove it from the Resolution List. The 3rd set Requested is on the 200 block of 7th Street and they are available. The 4th set is in the 100 block of Collinsville Avenue and they are available. 5th set is an old Shell Station owned by Mr. McCoy and is defaulted at this time but he does have money to save them. He does own some of the properties in the block. The Committee recommended holding all parcels associated with this request. No Action.

4. **DEMOLITION PROGRAM:**

Mr. Mitchell presented an invoice from Shafer Excavating for \$15,000.00 for seeding and straw. A motion was made by Mr. Mosley, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Greenwald to pay the invoice.

Per the Committee's request SCI submitted bids for asbestos surveys at 8740 State Street in the amount of \$2,200.00 and for 1236 East Broadway for \$3,000.00. No action at this time.

5. **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Mr. Strohmeyer reported that the signs for the auction will be placed in the properties after July 4 and there will be a sealed bid auction with properties from the cancelled April auction and any that have defaulted since that time. Catalogs will be available and given free of charge to those that purchased one for the April auction. The catalogs will now be sold in the Treasurer's Office as opposed to the County Clerk's office. The Treasurer's Office will also accept the sealed bids. The bids will be processed at Mr. Strohmeyer's Office.

Mr. Strohmeyer explained the procedure for the sealed bid auction. He stated that most counties do a sealed bid auction. He said both types of auctions produce similar results. He said that the major difference in a live auction 2/3 of the properties will go for the minimum because only one bidder was present with no competing bids so they purchased it for the opening bid. In the sealed bid auction because you don't know how many bidders there will be so you get a more value-rated bid. In a sealed bid auction they see 1/3 of the properties going for the minimum bid.

Any one bidding in the auction signs a contract and includes the funds in full on the property they would like to bid on. If they lose the bid the funds are returned.

The Committee will evaluate the process at the July meeting.

6. **ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lonnie Mosley, Chairman
St. Clair County Trustee Committee