



LOWER SOUTH VALLEY LAND BANK
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2023
8:30 AM
VIA ZOOM

MINUTES

I. ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER

Members present: Sam Guesto, Donna Wall, Joe Hillan, Dave Wilson, Ronald Jones, Rick Oravic

Members excused: Carl Byra, Paul Keating

Staff present: Sara Hailstone, Shannon Calluori, Chris Slusser, Jeff Rockman

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. Joe Hillan stated that Newport Township would like to bid on 84 Coal Street at the September Luzerne County Upset Sale. The property is unfit for human habitation and needs to be demolished. Mr. Hillan was previously in touch with the owner who was not interested in working with Newport Township to have the property demolished. The neighbors are interested in maintaining the property after the house is demolished. Mr. Hillan completed a title search in May 2022 which did not reveal any concerns. He estimates that demolition will be \$20,000. Mr. Hillan suggested a maximum bid of \$3,500 at the tax sale. Ronald Jones will represent the Land Bank at the tax sale.

A motion was made by Sam Guesto and seconded by Donna Wall to approve Resolution 2023-2 to bid up to \$3,500 on 84 Coal Street, Newport Township at the September Luzerne County Upset Sale.

Approved 6-0

IV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Donna Wall and seconded by Rick Oravic to adjourn the meeting.
Approved 6-0

Following the meeting adjournment, the Board went into Executive Session to discuss real estate matters.