

OSKALOOSA HOUSING TRUST FUND COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, November 9, 2015 - 12:00 Noon
City Hall Conference Room

The committee meeting was called to order by Chair Dalbey at 12:03 p.m. with the following members present: Dan Adams, Joe Caligiuri, Kandes Dalbey, Randell Davis, Valinn McReynolds, Noel Stahle and Carri Vande Ree. Members absent: Kathie Dykstra, Bernice Hahn, Dave Polkowske and Leon McCullough. Also present: Ken Allsup, Osky News; Amy Miller, City Clerk; and Marilyn Johannes.

Request for demolition grant from Travis Gay for a house located at 112 South I Street.

It was moved by Adams, seconded by Caligiuri to approve demolition grant funds up to \$4,000 for demolition of the structure located at 112 South I Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and possible action on a request from Terry Anderson for additional demolition funds for the demolition of the property located at 517 B Avenue West.

Miller noted that at the November 5, 2015 OHTF meeting, the OHTF committee awarded a demolition grant for up to \$4,000 to Terry Anderson for demolition of the structure located at 517 B Avenue West, but Mr. Anderson asked whether there was a possibility the committee could provide more funding for demolition of the structure, and since the matter was not on the November 5, 2015 OHTF agenda, staff asked that the matter be dealt with at a special meeting. Miller provided the committee with an email from City Manager Michael Schrock regarding the matter.

Caligiuri and Dalbey said they would like to help out but they were concerned about setting a precedent regarding demolition of large, multifamily structures. When asked, Miller pointed out that only two exceptions had been made by OHTF and they were on projects where matching grant or federal and state funds were involved – Trolley Place and Ironwood Reserves. The committee discussed whether or not to develop a new plan to deal with these structures, perhaps limiting the number of grant funds to a certain number of projects a year.

Davis said he was concerned about the removal of asbestos from the structure. Caligiuri said could have demo plan dealing with asbestos removal. Adams asked how soon the committee could develop a multifamily dwelling plan - three months. Miller said probably depends on how soon the committee could get together to develop a plan and then she would like legal to look at it; and then the plan would need city council approval. Vande Ree said she had given the matter a lot of thought since the last meeting and she believes the committee should stick with the current demolition plan guidelines.

It was moved by Vande Ree, seconded by McReynolds to deny the request from Terry Anderson for additional funding beyond the \$4,000 allowed for demolition of the structure located at 517 B Avenue West. Motion carried unanimously.

Dalbey said after the first of the year the committee could review the demolition plans and decide if there was a need to develop a third plan dealing with multifamily structures and form a committee to come up with a plan. Dalbey asked that the matter be placed on the January meeting agenda. McReynolds said she would like to know how many multifamily structures there are in Oskaloosa.

Dalbey adjourned the meeting at 12:21 p.m.

Minutes by Marilyn Johannes