

City of Hamtramck
Receivership Transition Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
November 29th, 2016
Hamtramck City Hall
Council Chambers - 2nd Floor
3401 Evaline
Hamtramck, Michigan 48212

RTAB MEMBERS PRESENT:

DEB ROBERTS, CHAIR
AL BOGDAN
PETER McINERNEY
MARK STEMA
KAREN YOUNG

ALSO PRESENT:

DREW VAN de GRIFT
Michigan Department of Treasury
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1 **Called to order at 1:00**

2 **Tuesday, November 29, 2016**

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4 MS. ROBERTS: I will call this advisory board to
5 order.

6 Mr. Van de Grift, could you do roll call,
7 please?

8 MR. VAN de GRIFT: Yes. Albert Bogdan?

9 MR. BOGDAN: Here.

10 MR. VAN de GRIFT: Peter McInerney?

11 MR. McINERNEY: Here.

12 MR. VAN de GRIFT: Deborah Roberts?

13 MS. ROBERTS: Here.

14 MR. VAN de GRIFT: Mark Stema?

15 MR. STEMA: Here.

16 MR. VAN de GRIFT: Karen Young?

17 MS. YOUNG: Here.

18 MR. VAN de GRIFT: All present.

19 MS. ROBERTS: Thank you.

20 Just as a reminder, if anyone from the public
21 would like to speak, they need to sign up at the podium.

22 First item on the agenda is approval of the
23 agenda. I would entertain a motion to approve the agenda
24 as presented.

25 MR. BOGDAN: So moved.

1 MR. McINERNEY: Support.

2 MS. ROBERTS: Any discussion?

3 (No response)

4 MS. ROBERTS: Seeing none, all those in favor
5 say aye. Aye.

6 MS. YOUNG: Aye.

7 MR. STEMA: Aye.

8 MR. McINERNEY: Aye.

9 MR. BOGDAN: Aye.

10 MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.

11 (No response)

12 MS. ROBERTS: Motion carries.

13 Next on the agenda is approval of the October
14 25th, 2016, regular meeting minutes. I would entertain a
15 motion to approve the October 25th minutes.

16 MR. STEMA: Move to approve.

17 MR. McINERNEY: Support.

18 MS. ROBERTS: Any discussion?

19 (No response)

20 MS. ROBERTS: Seeing none, all those in favor
21 say aye. Aye.

22 MS. YOUNG: Aye.

23 MR. STEMA: Aye.

24 MR. McINERNEY: Aye.

25 MR. BOGDAN: Aye.

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MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.

(No response)

MS. ROBERTS: Motion carries.

Next on the agenda is public comment. Mr. Van de Grift, do we have anybody signed up for public comment?

MR. VAN de GRIFT: Yes, just one. Mr. Bob Zwolek.

MR. ZWOLEK: Good afternoon.

THE BOARD: Good afternoon.

MR. ZWOLEK: I just want to revisit some of my other concerns that I had in the past, and that is again, our legal activities in Hamtramck and our lawsuits and complaints that we have against the city.

One in particular, that concerns me, is that on our urban renewal settlement, and our final development, when we had three more properties that had to be developed, to conclude the final 200. I know that four years ago, we had the money for it; that was pretty well drawn down in development funds by the attorneys.

And now, it's been three years since Judge Keith had ordered a court ordered tax millage, to cover the completion of the next three. And we're still at three years, and we're still not going anywhere.

So, again, I would encourage this board here, to look into the matter. I know, Mr. Bogdan, you were

1 involved in some of the past developments.

2 MR. BOGDAN: Oh yeah.

3 MR. ZWOLEK: Well why, what's the stall, what's
4 the problem? When we can -- we're at that final point
5 where we can conclude our settlement on the 200 homes, for
6 the plaintiffs. So I think it needs review, maybe
7 somebody come up with a report, because it is a settled
8 situation. So it's not something that could be done in
9 closed session, so to speak. Other than that, that's my
10 only concern, and if I don't see you before the holidays,
11 I'll wish you a Merry Christmas.

12 THE BOARD: Thank you.

13 MS. ROBERTS: That was it?

14 MR. VAN de GRIFT: Yep, that's it.

15 MS. ROBERTS: Next on the agenda under old
16 business, is the RTAB evaluation review. Mr. Van de
17 Grift, could you please update the board on this matter?

18 MR. VAN de GRIFT: Certainly.

19 The RTAB's annual evaluation has gotten delayed,
20 as the board members know. About 11 months ago, the
21 notion was to wait, until the audit was submitted. And
22 that was delayed for several months.

23 Then the thinking was, well, you know, we have
24 an annual budget coming up, and so we wanted to have a
25 full fiscal picture to be included in the annual

1 evaluation, and so you know, it took us to mid-year.

2 The trouble there was, that there was a large
3 SAFER grant, that was anticipated but had not been granted
4 at that time, and so there was like a million dollar hole
5 in that budget that was adopted. And so, we didn't think
6 that that was an accurate fiscal picture to base the
7 annual evaluation on either. And so recently, that grant
8 has been awarded and most recently, the city has amended
9 and balanced their budget.

10 So now it makes perfect sense to commence that
11 evaluation, but we have another year's to do, too. So I
12 guess I would ask for the authorization of the board to
13 update, like to meet with the city officials again, and to
14 you know, get new facts and figures, and to submit to you,
15 really, a you know, kind of, one evaluation that covers a
16 two-year period, if that's all right with you.

17 MR. STEMA: I think that makes sense.

18 MS. ROBERTS: Yeah.

19 MR. STEMA: Especially with being the date that
20 it is now.

21 MS. ROBERTS: Yeah. Okay, well then I would
22 entertain a motion to approve, deny or postpone a
23 recommendation for the board to review and update the RTAB
24 evaluation.

25 MS. YOUNG: Move to approve.

1 MR. McINERNEY: Second.

2 MS. ROBERTS: Okay. Any further discussion?

3 MR. McINERNEY: It sounds like we're approving a
4 postponement; are we post --

5 MS. ROBERTS: No, we're approving a two-year
6 evaluation.

7 MR. STEMA: A two-year review.

8 MS. ROBERTS: So that'll be a two year, so we're
9 going to update the one year that we did.

10 MR. McINERNEY: Okay.

11 MS. ROBERTS: And include this next year.

12 MR. McINERNEY: Can we have some timing on that?
13 When -- I'm just asking.

14 MS. ROBERTS: Well, what the timing will entail
15 is when we can meet with the city officials that need to
16 be met with.

17 MR. McINERNEY: I didn't know if there was some
18 deadline we had to have this by. Or you can move that no
19 problem.

20 MS. ROBERTS: Obviously. So the motion before
21 us is to approve --

22 MR. McINERNEY: We're get -- so it's going to be
23 our evaluation of --

24 MS. ROBERTS: Of the city. It's the RTAB
25 evaluation. But it's, a lot of it is handled by the

1 treasury staff, to take that on and then bring it to us.

2 MR. McINERNEY: Okay.

3 MS. ROBERTS: The motion before us is to approve

4 a recommendation for the board to review and update the

5 RTAB evaluation. And I have a second. Any further

6 discussion?

7 (No response)

8 MS. ROBERTS: Seeing none, all those in favor

9 say aye. Aye.

10 MS. YOUNG: Aye.

11 MR. STEMA: Aye.

12 MR. McINERNEY: Aye.

13 MR. BOGDAN: Aye.

14 MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.

15 (No response)

16 MS. ROBERTS: Motion carries. Moving on to new

17 business. The first item before us is resolutions from

18 the regular city council meeting of October 11th, 2016. I

19 would entertain a motion to approve all ordinances and

20 resolutions from the October 11th, 2016, regular city

21 council meeting.

22 MR. McINERNEY: So moved.

23 MS. YOUNG: Second.

24 MS. ROBERTS: Any discussion?

25 MR. McINERNEY: Just, I'd like to see the, I

1 noted that the chiefs had first names, in the notes.

2 MS. ROBERTS: Yes.

3 MR. McINERNEY: Spell them out for the first
4 time.

5 MS. ROBERTS: Oh, for the first time, okay.

6 MR. McINERNEY: Yeah, so.

7 MS. ROBERTS: Okay. Seeing no further
8 discussion--

9 MR. McINERNEY: Minor point, that I had
10 commented at a prior meeting, so I just wanted to --

11 MS. ROBERTS: And so that got fixed. All those
12 in favor say aye. Aye.

13 MS. YOUNG: Aye.

14 MR. STEMA: Aye.

15 MR. McINERNEY: Aye.

16 MR. BOGDAN: Aye.

17 MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.

18 (No response)

19 MS. ROBERTS: Motion carries.

20 Next on the agenda is resolutions from the
21 regular city council meeting of October 25th, 2016. I
22 would entertain a motion to approve all ordinances and
23 resolutions from the October 25th, 2016, regular city
24 council meeting.

25 MR. BOGDAN: So moved.

1 MR. STEMA: Support.

2 MS. ROBERTS: Any discussion?

3 MR. STEMA: I just have a quick question.

4 What's the charitable gaming license?

5 MR. GABOR: What's the, I'm sorry, the --?

6 MR. STEMA: The approval of a charitable gaming

7 license for Community Robotics, metro Detroit, what that

8 was?

9 MR. GABOR: I think that was, a party wanted to

10 provide charitable gaming, and it was like a raffle

11 almost, if I remember the conversation correctly, from the

12 meeting.

13 MR. STEMA: Oh, okay.

14 MR. GABOR: And we have to approve that license.

15 MR. STEMA: Okay, that's all.

16 MS. ROBERTS: Okay.

17 MR. GABOR: And it's one of the two that come to

18 us. Most of them don't.

19 MS. ROBERTS: The motion before us is to approve

20 all ordinances and resolutions from October 25th, all

21 those in favor say aye. Aye.

22 MS. YOUNG: Aye.

23 MR. STEMA: Aye.

24 MR. McINERNEY: Aye.

25 MR. BOGDAN: Aye.

1 MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.
2 (No response)
3 MS. ROBERTS: Motion carries.
4 Next on the agenda is the claims and accounts
5 from the regular city council meeting draft minutes of
6 November 15th, 2016. I would entertain a motion to
7 approve, deny, or postpone claims and accounts from the
8 regular city council meeting draft minutes of November
9 15th, 2016.
10 MR. STEMA: Motion to approve.
11 MS. YOUNG: Second.
12 MS. ROBERTS: Any discussion?
13 (No response)
14 MS. ROBERTS: Seeing none, all those in favor
15 say aye. Aye.
16 MS. YOUNG: Aye.
17 MR. STEMA: Aye.
18 MR. McINERNEY: Aye.
19 MR. BOGDAN: Aye.
20 MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.
21 (No response)
22 MS. ROBERTS: Motion carries.
23 Next on the agenda is the city administrator
24 items. We have already taken care of the city council
25 minutes, so next would be the approval of budget to actual

1 and cash flow reports. Bama, do you want to give us an
2 update?

3 MS. CAIRNS: We're looking at the last, I'm
4 sorry, the general fund balance, we are at 31 percent of
5 the expenditures, which is all right, because at four
6 months we'll be 33 percent. And the only one which is an
7 exception is the building and grounds 35, which okay, but
8 general administration, and that's because the whole
9 insurance was paid for a years' insurance, and also a debt
10 was paid. Of the two, one has been settled. Sorry, I
11 should say settled. A debt settled payment has been met.

12 The rest of the funds, you know, for example,
13 911 emergency, that's \$120,000 revenue, which we do not
14 get until next -- come in, towards the end of the fiscal
15 year. So that's going to show on that report. Same with
16 the major streets fund. We have \$508,000 which we have
17 spent so far; some of it is going to be pulled out of the
18 fund balance, which we already budgeted for. If you look
19 at the budget, it shows a minus \$609,000. Unless you have
20 any other specific questions --

21 MS. ROBERTS: I have one, and it's on the CDBG
22 grant. Grant income from program year 2015? And it shows
23 zero collected, so I'm kind of, I'm wondering why we're
24 expecting revenue from 2015 to still come in?

25 MS. CAIRNS: Okay, program year is the Wayne

1 County CDBG program year. So if we haven't spent it, we
2 can draw on it.

3 MS. ROBERTS: Okay.

4 MS. CAIRNS: So, for every year that our
5 economic development director, which is Kathy Angerer, she
6 will know what pool to pull it off of. So for 2015,
7 there's still some monies left over, which she can use it
8 for this fiscal year. City's this fiscal year.

9 MR. McINERNEY: That makes sense to me. Plus,
10 the county, if it's a '15 - '16 year, they call it '15.

11 MS. ROBERTS: Okay.

12 MR. McINERNEY: So, that's part of the problem,
13 right there.

14 MS. ROBERTS: Okay.

15 MR. McINERNEY: As opposed to the year endings.

16 MS. ROBERTS: So, and we haven't, we haven't
17 pulled any of it, as of yet?

18 MS. CAIRNS: Because we haven't spent it yet.
19 Haven't been --

20 MS. ROBERTS: Okay.

21 MR. McINERNEY: Well, you have, and I think
22 you've got -- the county struggled with that, to kind of
23 tighten that up for people that are not spending it.

24 MS. CAIRNS: Yeah.

25 MR. McINERNEY: But there's an automatic, like,

1 18 months built into it.

2 MS. ROBERTS: To spend?

3 MR. McINERNEY: Yeah.

4 MS. ROBERTS: Okay.

5 MR. BOGDAN: You have to spend it within a
6 certain period of time, though.

7 MS. CAIRNS: Two to three years, yes.

8 MR. McINERNEY: Or they have extensions, also.

9 MS. CAIRNS: Yes.

10 MR. McINERNEY: If the clock starts ticking,
11 they have a process that you can, particularly if a
12 project is in the works.

13 MS. CAIRNS: Right. But we always make sure we
14 spent all of the year's what is allocated.

15 MS. ROBERTS: Okay. Anyone else have any other
16 questions?

17 MR. GABOR: Hoping I'll have four years of
18 winter taxes will go out tomorrow. And the other half,
19 and we have, remember, this city, you're allowed to pay
20 your summer taxes in halves. So when you look at property
21 tax revenue, and it looks on the low side, that's because
22 a lot of people take advantage of that. But the other
23 half of the summer tax is due by the end of December, so,
24 you'll see that jump dramatically within this month, so.

25 MS. ROBERTS: Okay. I would entertain a motion

1 to approve, deny, or postpone the budget to actual and
2 cash flow reports.

3 MR. McINERNEY: So moved.

4 MS. ROBERTS: To approve?

5 MR. McINERNEY: To approve.

6 MR. BOGDAN: Second.

7 MS. ROBERTS: Any further discussion?

8 (No response)

9 MS. ROBERTS: Seeing none, all those in favor
10 say aye. Aye.

11 MS. YOUNG: Aye.

12 MR. STEMA: Aye.

13 MR. McINERNEY: Aye.

14 MR. BOGDAN: Aye.

15 MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.

16 (No response)

17 MS. ROBERTS: Next on the agenda is approval of
18 the invoice register and preapproved expenditures. I do
19 have some questions on that. You want to come back up,
20 Bama? Mostly it revolves around a conference; I'm
21 guessing a conference, it's the check date from October
22 11th, 2016. And it's page one of eight that I have.
23 There's like, conference hotel, for nearly \$3,400?

24 MS. CAIRNS: Yeah, that's for council, I think
25 they are required by the emergency manager order, that

1 they take classes.

2 MS. ROBERTS: So are there multiple people?

3 MS. CAIRNS: Multiple people, yes.

4 MS. ROBERTS: Okay. That might explain it.
5 Because then there's also --

6 MR. GABOR: We, all -- all but one of the
7 council members went.

8 MS. ROBERTS: Okay.

9 MR. GABOR: And the unfortunate part was, is
10 this training and whatever, was up at Mackinac.

11 MS. ROBERTS: Right, it was just exp --

12 MR. GABOR: We couldn't find any cheaper hotels,
13 or.

14 MS. ROBERTS: Yeah. Okay.

15 MS. CAIRNS: We did find a cheaper hotel than --

16 MS. ROBERTS: Okay, so then, but it was multiple
17 people at --

18 MS. CAIRNS: Multiple people.

19 MS. ROBERTS: That's what I wanted to make sure.
20 I'm like, \$4,000 for one person would be a little
21 extravagant. Okay. Oh -- under that same line.
22 Insulated chest waders and the binoculars.

23 MS. CAIRNS: What -- what the -- is it one of
24 these?

25 MS. ROBERTS: It, 10/11/2016, yeah, page one of

1 eight. It's under that same card member services?
2 There's insulated chest waders for \$382, and binoculars,
3 that looks like, there?

4 MS. CAIRNS: These were purchased by the fire
5 department.

6 MS. ROBERTS: That makes more sense, because I
7 was trying to figure out what we needed chest waders and
8 binoculars for. Okay.

9 Anyone else have any questions?

10 (No response)

11 MS. ROBERTS: I would entertain a motion to
12 approve, deny, or postpone the invoice register and
13 preapproved expenditures?

14 MR. STEMA: Motion to approve.

15 MS. YOUNG: Second.

16 MS. ROBERTS: Any discussion?

17 (No response)

18 MS. ROBERTS: Seeing none, all those in favor
19 say aye. Aye.

20 MS. YOUNG: Aye.

21 MR. STEMA: Aye.

22 MR. McINERNEY: Aye.

23 MR. BOGDAN: Aye.

24 MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.

25 (No response)

1 MS. ROBERTS: Motion carries. Next on the
2 agenda is approval of an HR director hire. I believe, I'm
3 sorry, I can't remember your name.

4 MS. SAMUELS: Samantha Samuels.

5 MS. ROBERTS: Okay. Ms. Samuels, would you like
6 to provide a summary of this item to the board?

7 MS. SAMUELS: Umm --

8 MR. GABOR: We currently have a part time HR
9 director, that we've been using, as a part time
10 individual, while evaluating the individual as well. When
11 you look through the budget for the current year, we did
12 take and fund a full time half -- fully burden in that.
13 Okay, in that, we kind of underspent that a little bit
14 because of the part-time status and the hours that were
15 there.

16 So as we move them to full time, and Bama and I
17 just looked at the budget, there appears that it is going
18 to have a zero impact on the approved budget for this
19 year.

20 MS. ROBERTS: Okay.

21 MR. GABOR: Just because we've underspent where
22 we normally would be, and even though we're going to put
23 her on full time, it should be fine. But it was budgeted
24 as a full time half, in the original budget, for 2016.

25 MS. ROBERTS: Thank you.

1 MR. McINERNEY: Has the council approved this?
2 MR. GABOR: I don't believe it went in front of
3 council.
4 MS. YOUNG: Council doesn't have to, but we do.
5 MR. McINERNEY: Okay.
6 MS. YOUNG: They may, but, they don't have to;
7 we do.
8 MR. GABOR: This particular position is the city
9 manager's pick. Every hire or termination has to come to
10 the TAB board, but not every one has to go through city
11 council.
12 MS. ROBERTS: Okay. I would entertain a motion
13 to approve, deny, or postpone the hiring of an HR
14 director.
15 MR. STEMA: Motion to approve.
16 MR. BOGDAN: Second.
17 MS. ROBERTS: Any discussion?
18 (No response)
19 MS. ROBERTS: Seeing none, all those in favor
20 say aye. Aye.
21 MS. YOUNG: Aye.
22 MR. STEMA: Aye.
23 MR. McINERNEY: Aye.
24 MR. BOGDAN: Aye.
25 MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.

1 (No response)

2 MS. ROBERTS: Motion carries. Next on the
3 agenda, is the approval of three part time code
4 enforcement officers.

5 MR. GABOR: I'll run through this real quick
6 again. I believe there's two on staff right now. That's
7 not enough to keep up with the demands and requests that
8 are coming from city council, as well as just in general.
9 Trying to clean the city up and get people back on track.

10 The funding for this is in the 2016 budget,
11 around 75 grand. We've been underspending to it because
12 we haven't had the manpower that's been drawing off of
13 that account. Again, Bama and I talked about this; we
14 don't appear to have a budget problem between now and the
15 end of the year. The other thing is, is these are part
16 time, so as we monitor that, if it becomes an issue with
17 regards to finance, we can cut that short very quickly.
18 You know, stop the bleeding, so.

19 MS. ROBERTS: Okay. Okay.

20 MR. GABOR: It appears to be funded through the
21 end of the year with no problem.

22 MS. ROBERTS: Okay. We don't have people
23 actually selected?

24 MR. GABOR: No, we're not -- we're going to, in
25 fact, we're just posting that right now. I think it just

1 went up yesterday, to start collecting applicants for
2 that.

3 MR. STEMA: Is the plan to also have them work
4 on the weekends and stuff like that, when most of the work
5 is done, not -- unpermitted work is done?

6 MR. GABOR: There'll be some. That's usually
7 controlled by the building officials.

8 MR. STEMA: Okay.

9 MR. GABOR: I know in the city I came from,
10 every once in a while, we'd sneak one out on a weekend.
11 And it's amazing what you can find out there, so. With
12 the weather getting colder right now, that makes it a
13 little tougher. A lot of the work would be inside, so.
14 Any other questions I can --?

15 (No response)

16 MS. ROBERTS: I would entertain a motion to
17 approve, deny, or postpone the hiring of three part-time
18 code enforcement officers.

19 MR. STEMA: Motion to approve.

20 MS. YOUNG: Second.

21 MS. ROBERTS: Any further discussion?

22 (No response)

23 MS. ROBERTS: Seeing none, all those in favor
24 say aye. Aye.

25 MS. YOUNG: Aye.

1 MR. STEMA: Aye.

2 MR. McINERNEY: Aye.

3 MR. BOGDAN: Aye.

4 MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.

5 (No response)

6 MS. ROBERTS: Next on the agenda is approval of
7 the citywide overtime reports. I'm guessing you're going
8 to give us an update?

9 MR. GABOR: I'll let Bama do this one. She
10 looks at it more than I do. I glanced at it, but.

11 MS. CAIRNS: Our overtime is almost at 50
12 percent of the budget, especially in the police
13 department. We're still waiting for the police study, and
14 then the city manager has to address this.

15 MR. STEMA: Well, compared to last month, is it
16 going down, up, staying stable?

17 MS. CAIRNS: Sometimes up, sometimes stays the
18 same.

19 MR. STEMA: I was thinking -- if I remember
20 correctly, I think that you hired a couple of people, and
21 they're still going through their training --

22 MS. CAIRNS: Yes, mm-hm.

23 MR. STEMA: So there's probably some overtime,
24 but goal was, by hiring those cops and filling empty
25 positions, for it to start going down?

1 MS. CAIRNS: Yeah. Hopefully.

2 MS. ROBERTS: Do you know where we are on the
3 police study? Has it started?

4 MS. CAIRNS: It has started, yes.

5 MS. ROBERTS: But you don't know --

6 MS. CAIRNS: I'm not sure where it, yeah --

7 MR. GABOR: I know they were talking with myself
8 and our IT person about some security stuff with regards
9 to that. I think they're done surveying here, and they're
10 actually preparing the report, or at least, the initial
11 one. Then they may have to come back and do some follow
12 up in certain areas.

13 MS. ROBERTS: Okay. Thank you. I would
14 entertain a motion to approve, deny, or postpone the
15 citywide overtime report.

16 MS. YOUNG: Motion to approve.

17 MR. McINERNEY: Support.

18 MS. ROBERTS: Any further discussion?

19 (No response)

20 MS. ROBERTS: Seeing none, all those in favor
21 say aye. Aye.

22 MS. YOUNG: Aye.

23 MR. STEMA: Aye.

24 MR. McINERNEY: Aye.

25 MR. BOGDAN: Aye.

1 MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.
2 (No response)
3 MS. ROBERTS: Motion carries.
4 Next on the agenda is the district court
5 revenues for information only.
6 Does anybody have any questions about them?
7 MR. GABOR: They always seem to do well.
8 MS. ROBERTS: Next on the agenda is board
9 comment. Would anyone from the board wish to speak?
10 MR. STEMA: I would like to make a motion to
11 move our December meeting from the 27th to the 20th of
12 December, the Tuesday before?
13 MS. ROBERTS: Okay. Any second?
14 MS. YOUNG: Second.
15 MS. ROBERTS: Any further discussion?
16 MR. McINERNEY: Any negative --?
17 MR. GABOR: The only discussion I would have is
18 the deadline going to move one week ahead, as well, for
19 information for that meeting.
20 MS. ROBERTS: The deadline for the
21 administrators to submit the documentation would move,
22 because otherwise, yes --
23 MR. GABOR: Well, and like I said earlier, that
24 would put it right to have -- the financial stuff may not
25 be available.

1 MS. ROBERTS: And I think we're okay with that,
2 as long as we get explanation, or if you can provide those
3 financials at the meeting.

4 MR. GABOR: Yes. That would be, we should be
5 able to -- they just wouldn't be -- I think it would
6 require two weeks up front, is what's required?

7 MR. VAN de GRIFT: It's ten days.

8 MR. GABOR: Ten days.

9 MR. VAN de GRIFT: You have ten days; sooner,
10 with good cause shown. Perhaps this is good cause, moving
11 the date.

12 MS. ROBERTS: Since we're moving the date.

13 MR. VAN de GRIFT: Also, we do review draft
14 minutes for claims and accounts, so the sanctions --

15 MR. GABOR: We should be able to do that. It's
16 just the final numbers, by the time we get them, and then
17 we process them, and then accounting processes them, we'll
18 miss that deadline.

19 MS. ROBERTS: I think we'll be okay with that.

20 MR. BOGDAN: I have a question. If there isn't
21 anything of substance, can we basically leave it up to you
22 to just cancel the meeting, until January?

23 MS. ROBERTS: The thing with that is, that the
24 substance is their check register. So if we don't approve
25 that, they can't mail the checks for that month. So I'm

1 guessing then they would be behind a month's worth of
2 bills that may incur some interest charges.

3 MR. GABOR: And that's not the financial issue
4 we're talking about. We're just talking about where we
5 are for year to date expenditures and what have you, based
6 on the accounts and -- the check runs and that will be
7 done, ready for approval.

8 MS. ROBERTS: Yeah. So I think the motion
9 before us is to move the December 27th meeting to December
10 20th. All those in favor say aye. Aye.

11 MS. YOUNG: Aye.

12 MR. STEMA: Aye.

13 MR. McINERNEY: Aye.

14 MR. BOGDAN: Aye.

15 MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.

16 (No response)

17 MS. ROBERTS: Motion carries.

18 So, please note that next month's meeting will
19 be December 20th.

20 MR. GABOR: I'll send Katrina a little note.

21 MS. ROBERTS: Yeah. Any other board comment?

22 MR. BOGDAN: Yeah, I would like to get a report
23 on those last three houses for the discrimination suite.
24 I spent ten years of my life on that project.

25 MR. GABOR: Right now, my understanding of where

1 we are with it is, it's a limited understanding, so I can
2 get more detail, if required. Is that basically,
3 everything's kind of on hold. The money that the judge
4 allocated through the court order is collected in the
5 bank, and we've been made whole through the county, at
6 least as much as we're going to be made whole on that.

7 And there hasn't been any other expenditures out
8 of that account that I can recall. If it is, it's very
9 miniscule.

10 MR. STEMA: And if I remember correctly, that
11 was just approved last year anyway, last year's tax bill,
12 every three years --

13 MR. GABOR: It was a one year tax --

14 MR. STEMA: It was approved on last year's tax
15 bill.

16 MR. GABOR: So the money's been sitting there
17 since about August of this year.

18 MR. BOGDAN: They approved it last year. I'd
19 like to get a full report on that, if I could.

20 MS. ROBERTS: At the next meeting, if you could
21 give us a full report, where we are, and what's the
22 anticipated build dates?

23 MR. BOGDAN: And when are you going to build?
24 Yeah, when are you going to build them, and where?

25 MS. ROBERTS: Is there any other business to

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come before the board?

(No response)

MS. ROBERTS: Seeing none, I would, entertain a motion to adjourn.

MR. BOGDAN: So moved.

MR. STEMA: So moved.

MS. ROBERTS: Sounds like a second.

MR. BOGDAN: Second.

MS. ROBERTS: All those in favor say aye. Aye.

MS. YOUNG: Aye.

MR. STEMA: Aye.

MR. McINERNEY: Aye.

MR. BOGDAN: Aye.

MS. ROBERTS: Opposed, the same.

(No response)

MS. ROBERTS: Motion carries.

The RTAB meeting is closed at 1:25. Thank you, everyone.

(Proceedings concluded at 1:25 p.m.)

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I certify that this transcript is a complete, true, and correct transcript to the best of my ability of the RTAB meeting held on November 29th, 2016, City of Hamtramck. I also certify that I am not a relative or employee of the parties involved and have no financial interest in this case.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: December 7th, 2016

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