

Hope Anderson – Chairman Emilie LaGrow – Vice Chairman
Monica McMichael – Secretary Harry Shaffer – Member Jeremiah Jones – Member

AGENDA

February 13, 2025, 10 am

3rd Floor Conference Room 312, Cass County Building

- 1) Call to Order – Hope Anderson
- 2) Call the Role – Hope Anderson
- 3) Introduction of Visitors
- 4) Approval of Agenda
- 5) Approval of Minutes of December 4, 2024.
- 6) **Motion to approve claims dated 12/4/24 through 2/12/25.**
- 7) New Business
 - a) Introduction of 2025-2026 Community Development Fellow, Kyante Buck
 - b) Motion to approve stipend for MI-HOPE administration
 - c) 2024-2025 Budget Adjustments
- 8) Old Business
 - a) Motion to approve updated 2025 Board Meeting Schedule
 - b) Update on the submission of MI-Neighborhood Grant: Emilie
 - i) Rehabilitation: \$400,000 max
 - ii) Acquisition/rehabilitation/resale: \$100,000 per property
 - iii) New Construction: \$100,000 per unit
 - c) **Round 3 Blight Elimination: 8 projects**
 - i) Melching awarded demo and remediation contract for 5/8 projects (FISHBECK)
 - d) **Round 4 Blight Elimination:**
 - (1) Rehabilitation of 117 S. Broadway: update from Emilie LaGrow
 - (2) Stabilization of Village of Marcellus former Tailgater. (Barton Group)
 - e) **Michigan Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding for Housing Local Livability (CHILL) Program.**
 - (1) Update from Emilie LaGrow
 - f) **MI HOPE Program update:** \$975,000: (43 Cass County Homeowners)

- 9) Public Comment
- 10) Board Member Comments/Announcements
- 11) Adjournment

Next Board Meeting Wednesday, April 23rd at 10am

Blight Elimination Funding

TOTAL: \$4,027,923.87

Round 1	Round 2	Round 3 (ARPA funds)**	Round 4 (ARPA funds)**
AWARD: \$159,226.40	AWARD: \$531,034.75	AWARD: \$500,000	AWARD: \$2,837,662.72
Released 10-01-2022	Released early April 2023	Letters of Acceptance of Grant Funds by Local Land Banks* Letters sent out by 7-10-2023	Competitive RFP Release 10-1-2023
Proposals Due 1-31-2023	Proposals Due 5-31-2023	Responses Due 8-1-2023	Proposals Due 12-8-2023
Project Completed 12-31-2023	Project Completed 8-31-2024	Grant Agreements Issued to Local Land Banks* Sent by 8-31-2023 Approved & Executed by 9-30-2023	Awards Announced/Grant Agreements Issued 2-15-2024
		Proposals Due for Pre-approval 3-31-2024	Project Completion 9-30-2026
		Project Completion 9-30-2026	

MI-HOPE Funding

TOTAL: \$975,000

Phase 2	Phase 4	Hi-Performer	Phase 6
AWARD:	AWARD:	AWARD: \$125,000	-Hi-Performer
\$500,000	\$250,000		AWARD: \$100,000
Project Dollars	Project Dollars	Project Dollars	Project Dollars
\$450,000	\$225,000	\$112,500	\$90,000
Administration Dollars	Administration Dollars	Administration Dollars	Administration Dollars
\$50,000	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$10,000

CHILL Funding (CDBG)

TOTAL: \$472,000

218 N. Broadway St.	419 S. East St
Cassopolis, MI	Cassopolis, MI
NEW HOME CONSTRUCTION	NEW HOME CONSTRUCTION



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**RETURN PROPERTY
TO PRODUCTIVE USE**



**LOCAL ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**



**LOCAL COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT**

Meeting Schedule 2025

Thursday, February 13, 2025, at 10 a.m.

Wednesday, April 23, 2025, at 10 a.m.

Wednesday, June 25, 2025, at 10 a.m.

Wednesday, August 27, 2025, at 10 a.m.

Wednesday, October 22, 2025, at 10 a. m.

Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at 10 a.m.

Cass County Land Bank Authority Mission Statement

The Mission of the Cass County Land Bank Authority is to alleviate blight and enhance its communities by increasing property value and economic opportunity through the acquisition and redevelopment of foreclosed, vacant, and abandoned properties. Which can be accomplished through collaboration and open communication with community organizations, local government units and the public.