



# Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting Minutes

December 09, 2024  
7:05 PM

25440 West Newberry Road, Newberry, Florida 32669

## QUORUM CHECK

Chair	Mayor Jordan Marlowe
Board Members	Commissioner Mark Clark Commissioner Rick Coleman Commissioner Monty Farnsworth Commissioner Tim Marden
Executive Director	Mike New
City Clerk	Judy Rice
CRA Attorney	Scott Walker
Staff:	
Director of Community Development	Stacey Hectus
Community Redevelopment Agency Coordinator	Uma Sarmistha
Community Redevelopment Agency Specialist	Chelsea Bakaitis
Executive Assistant	Randa Paul
Absent:	
Board Member	Commissioner Tony Mazon

## CALL TO ORDER

Chair Marlowe called the meeting to order at 9:47 PM.

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion to approve the agenda as published was made by Board Member Marden, Seconded by Board Member Farnsworth.**

**Voting Yea: Board Member Clark, Board Member Farnsworth, Board Member Marden**

**MOTION PASSED 3-0**

## PRESENTATIONS

Board Member Coleman entered and joined the dais at 9:49 PM.

## **1. Introduction of new team and updates**

Community Redevelopment Coordinator Sarmistha introduced herself.

Community Redevelopment Specialist Bakaitis introduced herself.

Community Redevelopment Coordinator Sarmistha presented a PowerPoint.

Discussion ensued.

## **2. Infrastructure Projects Update**

An update about the successful completion of sidewalk along NW 3rd Ave in FY24 and the upcoming future sidewalk project along SW 258th Street.

CRA Executive Director New presented.

Discussion ensued.

## **3. Market Analysis by Downtown Strategies, consultant, hired to help develop an action plan for Newberry downtown/CRA**

Community Redevelopment Coordinator Sarmistha presented a PowerPoint.

Discussion ensued.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Board Member Marden, Seconded by Board Member Clark.**

**Voting Yea: Board Member Clark, Board Member Coleman, Board Member Farnsworth, Board Member Marden**

**MOTION PASSED 4-0**

## **4. September 23, 2024, Community Redevelopment Agency Minutes**

### **AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **5. Seaboard Drive Land Acquisition**

CRA Executive Director New presented.

**Motion to authorize the Executive Director to offer \$110,000 for the purchase of property at 25329 Southwest 2nd Avenue and to close on the property if the offer is accepted was made by Board Member Marden, Seconded by Board Member Coleman.**

**Voting Yea: Board Member Clark, Board Member Coleman, Board Member Farnsworth, Board Member Marden**

**MOTION PASSED 4-0**

**COMMENTS**

Chair Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Marlowe adjourned the meeting at 10:24 pm.

Signed and approved on this 24th day of March 2025.

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Mayor Jordan Marlowe, Chair

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Dallas Lee, Interim Executive Director