

Central Illinois Land Bank Authority  
Board of Directors Meeting  
May 14, 2026 from 5:00-6:30

**Locations:**

University of Illinois  
Temple Buell Hall, Room 225  
611 Lorado Taft Drive ([map](#))  
Champaign, IL  
Room 227 ([building map](#))

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City of Mt Sterling  
City Hall  
145 W Main Street  
Mt. Sterling, Illinois 62353

**AGENDA**

- 1) Call to order: roll call
- 2) Welcome/Introductions
- 3) Approval of Agenda
- 4) Approval of Minutes from the April 9, 2026 meeting
- 5) Public Comments
- 6) Executive Director's Report
  - Discuss upcoming IHDA String Communities grant due mid-June.
  - IHDA Strong Communities Program Round 2 grant: update on spending remaining funds in Westville/Ridge Farm, Paxton, Georgetown, Oakwood, and Urbana. Deadline Fall 2026.
  - Vacant Lots to New Homes Initiative:
    - Discuss Casey applications opening 5/8. Five applications received to build 6 homes.
    - Mt Sterling vacant land acquisition: 4 lots being acquired and CILBA will then issue RFPs for new home construction in Q2/Q3.

- Pontiac, Westville, and Mattoon up next in Q2 with vacant lot RFPs.
- Other active/paid member communities welcome to join Vacant Lots to New Homes Initiative.

## 7) New Business

### a) Board Approvals needed:

- i) Action Item #1: Approve City of Tuscola's membership to CILBA
- ii) Action Item #2: Update bylaws on membership dues. \$20k annual membership for Counties less than 50,000 population.
  - The fee will be revisited depending on workload and number of communities engaged in a particular County.
- iii) Action Item #3: Approve Morgan County's membership to CILBA
- iv) Action Item #4: Approve new Iroquois Bank checking account for any Jacksonville/Morgan County funded activities including legal.
- v) Action Item #5: For purpose of Financial Audit, re-approve all following grants agreements CILBA was administering in 2024-25:
  - IHDA Strong Communities Round 2 grant of \$337k. Written and administered by CILBA, but application in City of Decatur's name
  - \$750K ARPA funds from City of Decatur for "Abandonment to Rehab" program.
  - IHDA Strong Communities Round 2 grant of \$337k: written and administered by CILBA, but application in Macon County's name.
  - IHDA Strong Communities Round 2 grant of \$337k with a \$305k increase: Written and administered by CILBA, but in Champaign County Regional Planning Commission's name.
  - IHDA Home Rehab and Accessibility Program grant of \$400k: Written and administered by CILBA, but application in City of Decatur's name.
  - \$400k ARPA funds from City of Decatur as match for IHDA HRAP roof grant.

## 8) Discussion Items

- a) CILBA Strategic Planning: Center for Community Progress, with some support from Institute for Rural Affairs, will do a Strategic Plan for CILBA through IHDA Technical Assistance funds. Brief discussion on getting started.
- b) Illinois' Planning Dept Graduate Students

## 9) Adjourn