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Minutes

Regular Meeting of April 14, 2022 Code Enforcement Committee

<u>Committee Members Present</u>: Jennifer Sparks, Public Health Sanitarian Enforcement Officer; Dean Lisitano, Chief Building Official; Art Higgins, Fire Marshal; Marek Kozikowski, Director of Land Us; Tom Hazel, Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer; Gary Gessaro, Fire Marshal; Lieutenant Nick Puorro; Christopher Holden, Acting Director of Public Works; Rick DeMaio, Assistant Building Official; and Christopher Forte, Assistant General Counsel.

Members of the Public: None.

1. Call to Order

Assistant General Counsel Forte called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

A. Review and approval of the minutes of the March 24, 2022 regular meeting.

MOTION: Chief Building Official Lisitano made a motion to approve the March 24, 2022 minutes. Fire Marshal Gessaro seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously at 9:04 am.

- 3. Public Session. None.
- 4. New Business
 - A. Mayor's Office.
 - 1) <u>Update from the Mayor's Office</u>. Absent, no updates.
 - B. Public Works.
 - 1) <u>Update from the Public Works Department</u>. No updates.
 - C. Health Department.
 - 1) Update from the Health Department. No updates.

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D. Department of Land Use.

- 1) <u>Update from the Department of Land Use</u>. Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer Hazel updated the Committee on the following:
 - a. <u>212 Sisk Street</u>: Inspection was performed, found multiple unregistered vehicles, and blight on the property. Will continue to monitor.
 - b.520 East Main Street: Inspection was performed and the building is deteriorating with roof damage. Will continue to monitor.
 - c. <u>56 Catherine Street</u>: Signage issues on the property in violation of zoning. Will continue to monitor.
 - d.514-516 Main Street: Inspection was performed and a tattoo parlor was found to be operating on the site in violation of zoning.
 - e. 192 South Main Street. Previous reports of a junkyard on the property. Inspection performed, and the site has been cleaned up. No further action needed.
 - f. <u>8 Liberty Street</u>: Graffiti on side of building. Land Use ordered that the graffiti be pained over. Will continue to monitor.
 - g.203 Prospect Street: Inspection performed and found dumping of construction debris on the site. Land Use has ordered that the material be property disposed of. Will continue to monitor.
 - h.1133 Long Hill Road: Inspection of the property found blight on the north and west side of the building on the property. Will continue to monitor.

E. Building Department.

1) Update from the Building Department. No updates.

F. Police Department.

1) Update from the Police Department. No updates.

G. City Fire.

1) Update from City Fire. No updates.

H. South Fire District.

1) <u>Update from South Fire District</u>. Absent, no updates.

I. Westfield Fire District.

1) Update from the Westfield Fire District. No updates.

J. Office of the General Counsel.

1) Update from the Office of the General Counsel. No updates.

5. Old Business

A. Mayor's Office

1) Wharfside Commons. No updates.

B. Health Department.

- 1) <u>159 Boston Road</u>: Department of Land Use has sent new notices of violation to the property owner for the deteriorated roof. Will continue to monitor.
- 2) <u>25 Tollgate Road</u>. Reports of trash located in backyard of property that is spilling over onto other properties. Health Department has re-inspected and confirmed that the violations have been remediated. No further action needed.

C. Department of Land Use.

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D. Building Department.

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E. City Fire.

- 1) <u>399 deKoven Drive</u>. The Fire Department has been working with the new owners, and it looks like renovations are being performed on the property. Will continue to monitor.
- 2) <u>52 North Main Street</u>. City Fire inspected the premises and found numerous Fire Code violations. The Fire Department has reached out to the State's Attorney and is moving forward with their office. A 90 day extension to remediate the violations have been granted upon advice of the State's Attorney. Will continue to monitor.

6. Adjournment

MOTION: Chief Building Official Lisitano made a motion to adjourn. Fire Marshal Higgins seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously at 9:16 am.

The Committee adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

cc: Hon. Benjamin Florsheim, Mayor Code Enforcement Committee Members OGC Personnel