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Minutes

Regular Meeting of May 25, 2023
Code Enforcement Committee

Committee Members Present: Thomas Hazel, Zoning Enforcement Officer; Lieutenant Nick Puorro; James Mastroianni, Fire Marshal; Bobbye Knoll Peterson, Chief of Staff (arrived 9:07 am); Gary Gessaro, Fire Marshal; Kevin Elak, Director of Health; Art Higgins, Fire Marshal; Christopher Holden, Director of Public Works; and Christopher Forte, Assistant General Counsel.

Members of the Public: None.

1. **Call to Order By Staff.** AGC Forte called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

2. **Approval of Minutes.**

Review and approval of the minutes for the May 11, 2023 regular meeting.

Motion to Approve made by Art Higgins, seconded by Kevin Elak. Motion passed unanimously at 9:03 am. Bobbye Knoll Peterson was absent for the vote.

3. **Public Session.** None.

4. **New Business.**

A. **Mayor's Office.**

1. Update from the Mayor's Office. No updates.

B. **Public Works.**

1. Update from the Public Works Department. No updates.

C. **Health Department.**

1. Update from the Health Department. No updates.

D. Department of Land Use.

1. Update from the Department of Land Use. No updates.

E. Building Department.

1. Update from the Building Department. Absent.

F. Police Department.

1. Update from the Police Department. Meeting with the owner of the property at 695 Main Street regarding the shooting at the Hookah Lounge. Will add this to next meeting's agenda.

G. City Fire.

1. Update from City Fire. No updates.

H. South Fire District.

1. Update from the South Fire District. 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. Update on Forest City Cleaners, more details to come. Will add to next meeting's agenda.

5. Old Business.

A. Mayor's Office.

1. Forbidden Llama: Police Department coordinating a response. ZEO and Health will also continue to monitor. Owner seems to have abandoned selling hookah.

B. Health Department

1. 455 & 465 Middlefield Street:

Well water testing complete and results sent to owners. ZEO Hazel continues to inspect the property and reports that no new materials are on site. Neither Health or Land Use have received any new complaint since last meeting.

Lieutenant Puorro stated that the Police Department has not received any

complaints or calls for service since the last meeting and is working with DMV to re-inspect the property.

Mayor's Office indicates no new complaints since last meeting.

C. Department of Land Use

1. Bob's Building. Owner is working on new layout of the building and is expected to order windows and start construction soon. Will continue to monitor
2. 542-544 Main Street: Property conveyed to new owner. Land Use working with new owner to rectify violations. Will continue to monitor.

D. Building Department

1. 699 Country Club Road: No updates.

6. **Adjournment.** Motion to adjourn by Thomas Hazel, seconded by Nick Puorro, and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.