

Blight Prevention Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 10:00am Via Zoom, in accordance with Executive Order 7B

Meeting Minutes Approved Please note these minutes are not verbatim.

Attendees: First Selectman Rudy Marconi, Building Official Jason Celestino, Planning and Zoning Director Alice Dew, and Recording Secretary Gillian Sheerin

Absent: Fire Marshal Guy Mignilas, Health Director Ed Briggs

1. 145 High Ridge Road

Dave Liederbach submitted a blight complaint for 145 High Ridge Rd. The owner has been trying to sell the property for a few years but has been unsuccessful. The reason could be due to the contamination issues from the dry cleaner business that previously occupied the property.

Liederbach talked about the condition of the property as seen from his house, his concerns for safety and his repeated attempts to contact the owner. The windows and doors are boarded, there are tarps on the roof, abandoned vehicles and dumpsters in the yard and a dilapidated fire escape.

Jason Celestino moved to accept the 145 High Ridge Road complaint. Alice Dew second the motion. Motion carries 3-0.

2. 120 Ivy Hill Road

Rudy Marconi reached out to the property owner, Edward Jamroga's stepdaughter, Wanda Leavy regarding the possible sale of the property. He will provide an update when he has one.

3. 29 Lakeview Drive

Rudy Marconi read an email from Attorney Alex Copp with the latest update on the property which has recently been transferred from Marlon Pereira to his father, Marcio Pereira. The transfer should not interfere with the litigation process since the foreclosure has already been started. The property was almost sold to a third party, however because Marlon Pereira was unreachable, the sale fell through. Attorney Copp will be requesting a trial date at the February 8th conference.

Neighborhood residents Stacey Smith, Ellen Burns, Claire Garcia and Jack Parascondola attended the meeting.

Stacey Smith asked about the damaged wall. Ellen Burns asked about the unpaid property taxes and Jack Parascondola commented on his interaction with the potential buyer.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Alice Dew moved to approve the October 25, 2022 Blight Prevention Board Meeting Minutes. Jason Celestino second the motion. Motion carries 3-0.

5. Approval of 2023 Schedule

Alice Dew moved to approve the Blight Prevention Board 2023 Meeting Schedule. Jason Celestino second the motion. Motion carries 3-0.

Alice Dew moved to adjourn the Blight Prevention Board Meeting. Jason Celestino second the motion. Motion carries 3-0.