

**CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, January 6, 2021
City Council Chambers**

CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu
Richard Brown, Chief Building Official
Lieutenant Mark Morello, Police Department
Raymond Rogozinski, Public Works
Robert Longo, Water Department
Edward Spyros, Zoning Enforcement Officer

Also in Attendance: Aubrey Minkler, Community Services
Stephen Bynum, Community Services
John Aniolowski, Bristol Housing Authority
Melissa Green, Bristol Housing Authority
Attorney Jeffrey Steeg, Corporation Counsel
Attorney Richard Lacey, Corporation Counsel
Michael Yacovino, Fire Department
Lauren Scappaticci, Senior Coordinator
Lindsey Rivers, Public Works
Noelle Bates, Corporation Counsel
Nicolette Arrotti, Bristol-Burlington Health District
Brian Skinner, Animal Control Officer
David Sgro, Economic & Community Development
Erica Mikulak, Bristol-Burlington Health District
Timothy Callanan, Part-Time Code Enforcement Officer
David Haberfeld, Bristol Property Owner
Thomas Doyle, Bristol Property Owner

Absent: Marco Palmieri, Bristol-Burlington Health District
Anne Bednaz, Tax Collector
Thomas DeNoto, Assessor
Jason Morrocco, Public Works
Kristopher Lambert, Fire Department
Josh Corey, Public Works
Jason Gagnon, Public Works

ITEM 1. Call to Order and Introductions

Mayor Ellen Sassu-Zoppo called to order the Wednesday, January 6, 2021 Code Enforcement Committee meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers.

ITEM 2. Approval of December 2, 2020 Minutes

IT was **MOVED** by Raymond Rogozinski and **SECONDED** by Edward Spyros to approve the meeting minutes of December 2, 2020.

Call for discussion – None

Voted: Unanimously Approved

ITEM 3. Public Participation

No public participation noted.

ITEM 4. Discussion of team inspections and to take any action as necessary.

Discussion arose on a business that is being operated at a location known as **200 Main Street**. The Health Department has received several anonymous complaints in reference to workers testing positive for COVID. The business is not practicing safe social distancing. It was also stated that the meats and cheeses within the basket are not being refrigerated. The owner has another location in the Town of Manchester. Both health departments are unable to write citations and/or fine the owner as he is not registered with either health department. The owner is out of their jurisdiction.

The only violation the Building Department observed was a broken window and on certain days there is an over-abundance of cardboard stacked up on the side of the dumpster.

ITEM 5. Discussion of properties of interest and/or concern to Committee Members.

231 Burlington Avenue discussed as there is minor violations to be repaired. The tenant will need to move out before the asbestos trim is removed and/or repaired.

The owner of **52 Beech Street** has been given 15-days to clean-up the property and remove the dumpster. Owner stated that the dumpster will be removed soon and the unregistered motor vehicle has been sold. The second story of the porch needs to be addressed

An inspection was conducted at **74 Locust Street** as the tenant reported that the apartment was drafty. It was observed that foam insulation was sprayed in around the window and door frames. They were instructed to replace the batteries in the smoke detectors and install them.

A follow up inspection took place at **190 Hoover Avenue**. Two violations remained as the homeowner needed proper venting for the dryer and smoke detectors needed to be installed in the basement area.

The owner of **574 North Main Street** is unable to remove the illegal structure on the rear of the building as the tenant has not removed her personal items. The make shift structure has been turned into an illegal bedroom by the current tenant.

58 Andrews Street discussed as the Mayor's Office received a letter from a neighboring property owner. The property has been condemned by the Health Department and remains vacant. The property is in poor condition on the exterior with an unregistered motor vehicle in the driveway and trash bags and debris throughout the yard.

The owners of the property located at **467 Farmington Avenue** are making progress on the fire suppression and sprinkler system. The Police Department has been patrolling the property and less residents are trespassing. The Water Department stated the owners still have an outstanding balance. They are also delinquent on the real estate taxes.

The City has been receiving multiple reports on discolored water at **48 Beths Avenue**. It has been determined that the owners of the property will need to upgrade the piping system and it seems to only happen with the hot water. The manager sent out a sample of water to be tested and it was determined there is no health issue to the occupants of this complex.

The water meter was removed at **458 Broad Street** as the property remains vacant and the owner will be winterizing the dwelling. The swimming pool was removed. The front porch remains unsecured.

ITEM 6. New Business

There were no new Citation Hearings for the month of December. Corporation Counsel will be setting up a training session on how to properly write out citations.

ITEM 7 Old Business

The owner of **267-269 Main Street** applied for permits and they have been approved and issued to the owner. It was also discussed that the taxes and relocation lien have been paid. Building Department stated that the windows will be installed soon.

916 Middle Street discussed as this property is becoming problematic as the new owners are not very cooperative with repairing items. One apartment remains condemned due to not having the proper ventilation.

ITEM 8. To Adjourn

IT was **MOVED** by Raymond Rogozinski and **SECONDED** by Edward Spyros to adjourn the Code Enforcement Meeting at 9:45 a.m. and it was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Ososki
Recording Secretary
Building Department