

Building/Property Maintenance Committee

Minutes for July 18, 2023



COMMITTEE MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Robert Wentworth, Bldg Insp – Chairperson	X	
Robert Mackey, CE Director – Vice Chair	X	
George Feole, Derry Police	X	
David Eastman, Derry Fire	X	
Mike Fowler, DPW	X	
Stacey Beliveau, Tax Collector	X	
Charles Foote, Councilor Liaison	X	
George Sioras, Planning Director	X	
Michael Welch, Resident	X	
Johnathan West, Resident		X
Cristina (Tina) Guilford, Resident	X	
Courtney Bogaert, Health Inspector		X
Dalia Ragas, Tax Collector Alternate		X
Jim Richardson, Fire Dept Alternate		X

In attendance, Beverly Donovan (Economic Development Director).

A meeting of the Building & Property Maintenance Committee was held Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at the Derry Municipal Center. The meeting was called to order at 10:08am.

Approval of Minutes

George Sioras made a motion to accept the April 18, 2023, minutes as written.
Seconded by Tina Guilford.

MOTION PASSED (10–0) with David Eastman abstaining.

OLD BUSINESS

3 Desforge Road – court hearing held on July 12, 2023. The judge is allowing the Town to get onto the property and repair it as needed. Brenda Keith will create a lien that will be placed on the property for the cost of the repairs. Mike Fowler stated that Highway personnel can secure the holes. Stacey Beliveau stated the property taxes are paid. In 2016 and 2017, the taxes were paid by Joseph and Camilla Chandler in Watertown, MA.

On June 22, 2023, a payment was made by Citizens Bank with other property taxes in one check, so there is no way to know the payor.

Bob Mackey stated that Brenda Keith will put together a motion for the \$26k plus awarding of attorney fees. The town will secure the building, but Code Enforcement must wait for the signed order.

53 English Range Road – Stacey Beliveau stated that all prior property tax bills have been paid with the exception of the July 1, 2023, bill. Bob Wentworth stated that three lots (on the barn side) will be subdivided and that was approved by the Planning Board. The barn will be coming down within six months.

65 English Range Road – Bob Wentworth stated the property owners have been trying to repair the barn. He has called the property owners and they have not responded.

7 Donmac Drive – Bob Wentworth stated that he met with the son in-law of the deceased parents on July 12, 2023. The family plans to make minor repairs to list this property for sale.

109 Rockingham Road – Watt's Auto Salvage, Inc. – George Sioras stated that the purchase and sales agreement is with Eric Spofford & Bobby Patel. Tomorrow night there is a Planning Board meeting, and they will recommend approval of the site plans.

13 Cunningham Drive – Bob Wentworth stated that this case was turned over to the attorneys and the building is falling apart. Bob Mackey stated that there is a process to follow when the property owners do not respond, including notification in local newspapers to cover all bases.

356 Island Pond Road – George Sioras stated that the approval was made by the Planning Board and the subdivision plan is set to go. Stacey Beliveau stated that the property taxes are paid up to date. The new owners are: Golden Acres Land Trust, Red Tundra LLC Trustee, 917 Whitney's Grove Road, Derry, NH.

NEW BUSINESS

Mike Fowler indicated that the following properties need to be added to the property distressed list.

2 Driftwood Road – property is owned by Diane Zinkevicz. It is vacant and overgrown. Bob Mackey stated that someone cut the grass a couple of weeks ago. Bob Wentworth stated that he has had contact with the property owner internally.

8 Olde Coach Road – Bob Wentworth stated that he is actively working on this one regarding the trucks.

83 East Derry Road – Bob Wentworth stated that this is a divorce in progress. They vacated stuff out of the garage. He may need a notice. Bob Wentworth stated that he will send a letter out.

OTHER BUSINESS

4 Pillsbury Street – Bob Mackey stated that this has become a perennial junk place. The court has given additional time to the elderly property owners to clean up the property. A follow up hearing is scheduled for September.

16 Franklin Street – George Sioras stated that the Town Council approved the zone change last week (rezoning the north side of Broadway and changing it to CBD which relaxes the setbacks). The site plan will go before the Planning Board in September. Bob Wentworth stated that a letter was sent to take the building down.

27 Mount Pleasant Street – Bob Wentworth stated that he has been in contact and there is a legal battle to see who has control over the property.

23 Central Street – Bob Mackey stated that a local developer has cleaned up the property a bit and that it is slated for future development. A portion of the property is within the flood plains.

51 Birch Street – George Sioras stated that there has been no movement. Dave Eastman stated that this is an ongoing insurance investigation. The Derry Fire Department closed its case, and the property owner is in regular contact with them.

Chief Feole made a motion to adjourn.

Seconded by George Sioras.

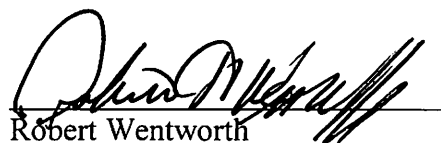
MOTION PASSED (10 – 0).

The meeting was adjourned at 10:33AM.

Next meeting – **October 17, 2023 @ 10:00 AM** – Second Floor – Room 207.

Respectfully,
Jill Jamro, Recording Clerk

Adopted October 17, 2023



Robert Wentworth
Building & Property Maintenance Committee Chair