Building/Property Maintenance Committee

Minutes for March 10, 2015



COMMITTEE MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Robert Mackey, Code Enf Director	X	
Mike Fowler, DPW	X	
Ed Garone, Derry Police	X	
Mike Gagnon, Derry Fire Dept.	X	
Robert Wentworth, Building Insp	X	
Dawn Enwright, Tax Collector	X	
Tom Cardon, Councilor Liaison	X	
Al Dimmock, Councilor Liaison	X	
Scott Jackson, Fire Dept	X	
George Sioras, Town Planner	X	

A monthly meeting of the Derry Highway Safety Committee was held Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at the Derry Municipal Building Center. Meeting was called to order at 9:01 am.

Approval of Minut	<u>:es</u>	
None		
None	OLD BUSINESS	
None		

NEW BUSINESS

Robert Mackey explained the origin of the Building & Property Maintenance Advisory Committee. The Committee is made up of staff members and three (3) appointed Residents or Business owners of Derry.

He handed out copies of the International Property Maintenance Code, Draft Policy & Procedures, and Chapter 30 Amendments to Code.

The purpose of this Committee is to discuss distressed properties and prioritize how to resolve the concern or issue.

List if Properties currently on the Radar: (alphabetic order)

71 Birch St
6-8 East Broadway
41 East Broadway
19 Elm St
27 Franklin St
213 Island Pond Rd
357 Island Pond Rd
7 Sheldon Rd
34 South Ave

Reports would be made quarterly to the Town Council. Town Council would determine the necessary action to be taken, if Code Enforcement recommendations have not been implemented.

Business and Property owners would be able to submit concerns for the Committee to review.

Albert Dimmock was looking to give Code Enforcement Division the ability to take action on various distressed properties.

Bob Mackey provided an update on 41 East Broadway (aka Broadway Pets). A structural analysis was completed on the property and the first floor is sinking into the basement. The owner, who lives in Maryland, has decided to demolish the property and is obtaining estimates. Once the snow has melted, he would contact the owner again to see if they are closer to a decision.

Bob Mackey provided an update on 19 Elm St. (aka Fishercraft) He explained that there was no easy answer.

Al Dimmock explained that the Town takes on liability, if someone gets injured on a liened property. (19 Elm St)

George Sioras stated that there was 6" of boiler ash found in the soil from the shoe company that needs to be removed, as well. (19 Elm St)

Bob Mackey provided an update on 6-8 Broadway (aka JJ Pizza). This building is in need of maintenance and the owner doesn't want to do the work. He is expecting tenants to maintain and upgrade the building.

Bob Mackey provided an update on 27 Franklin St (aka Bruno) is currently boarded up. In the IPMC Book there are guidelines to securing vacant buildings.

Bob Mackey stated that there was always a story behind each property.

George Sioras brought up 34 South Ave (aka Brothers Variety). He stated that the business was grandfathered but property is zoned Residential. Another business was looking to occupy the building as a general store, but now that Brother's has been closed for over a year, any business moving in would need to apply for a variance.

Mike Fowler felt the Committee should stick to high profile properties and stay out of condo/rental disputes or other concerns that should be directed to Police for enforcement.

OTHER BUSINESS

Election of Officers – was postponed to the April Meeting

Review of Policy/Procedures – was postponed to the April Meeting

Mike Fowler made a motion to adjourn at 9:40am. Seconded by George Sioras

Next Meeting is Wednesday – April 8, 2015 - @ 10:00 am

Respectfully, Sharon Jensen, Recording Clerk