

BLIGHT PREVENTION BOARD PUBLIC HEARING
Administrative Conference Room – Fire Headquarters
November 14, 2019
(FINAL)

ATTENDANCE:

Blight Prevention Board

Russ Blair	<u>X</u>
Rick Burke	<u>X</u>
Jeff Stewart	<u>X</u>
Joe Strickland	<u>X</u>

Blight Prevention Board Staff

Michele Onofrio	<u>X</u>
Steve Smith	<u>X</u>

September Minutes were approved. October meeting was cancelled.

Old Business

11 Edgemarth Hill Rd. – Will Birnie RECEIVED (3) N.O.V. – 11-20-15, 2-18-2016 & 11-30-16

Mr. Birnie did not attend the meeting. He failed to provide evidence of progress. Homeowner must attend next meeting and show evidence of progress.

8 Mimi Lane Received N.O.V. 5-17-18

Michele Onofrio reported and showed pictures; the Board is pleased with his progress. As we approach winter, the Board appreciates his effort to remediate as long as his health and weather allows.

**24 Ludlow Road Received N.O.V. 11-30-2016
Received Mun. Cit. – 3-23-17**

The fine has not been paid. No discussion on the property took place.

1 Twin Oaks Lane

The Board agreed this property no longer needs to be on the agenda.

34 Compo Road North

Received N.O.V. 7-18-19

Steve Smith showed pictures of the property. The Board was pleased the garbage and trash was removed from the outside property. The Board decided not to take the property off the agenda. They requested the Building Official to get an update on the unsafe building and potential fire hazard of the inside conditions. Once this is completed, the Board will be able to remove the property off the agenda at our December 12th meeting.

33 Hickory Drive

Michele Onofrio showed the board photos of the property and the Board agreed the broken glass was replaced and the lawn was cleaned up. Upon motion by Rick Burke, seconded by Jeff Stewart the Board unanimously agreed the property was remediated and taken off the agenda.

42 Newtown Turnpike

Received N.O.V. 9-26-19

Steve Smith inspected the property and photos were shown to the Board. The Board agreed the vines and grass were clean-up, however, the building was not secured and the windows were still broken as of this date. The owner has not complied with the original remediation plan; the Board unanimously voted - all blight issues must be remediated by Tuesday, December 10, 2019.

New Business

15 Maple Avenue North

Received N.O.V. 11-14-2019

The homeowner did not show up for the hearing. Steve Smith showed the Board pictures of the property. The Board was aware this address had been on our agenda before. Currently the homeowner is not living in the house. Upon motion by Rick Burke, seconded by Russ Blair and the Board unanimously agreed the property is blighted. The Board voted for the two cars, loose garbage and debris removed. The brush must be cut back, take care of the infestation and remove the deteriorating fence by December 10, 2019.

7 Barbara Place

Received N.O.V. 11-14-2019

Steve Smith gave the Board a history of the property and showed pictures. Upon motion by Jeff Stewart, seconded by Russ Blair and the Board unanimously agreed the property is blighted.

The Board voted the property owner to clean up debris on site and remove the dead tree by December 10, 2019.

64 Saugatuck Avenue

Received N.O.V. 11-14-2019

Steve Smith investigated the property prior to the Blight Prevention Board Meeting. Upon receiving the letter, the homeowner cleaned up the property. The Board was shown pictures and agreed the property was not blighted.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Jeff Stewart, seconded by Russ Blair the hearing adjourned at 8:45 P.M. Our next meeting will be in December.

Michele Onofrio, Secretary

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