

Minutes of the Dangerous Building Commission meeting held on Wednesday, November 10, 2004, at the Clay Township Hall, 4710 Pte. Tremble Rd., Algonac MI.

Chairman Uschwald called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

Roll Call: Piotrowski, Kot, Uschwald, Miller, Terrien, Williams

Also present: Mike Kras, Building Official, Rick Edler, Fire Chief

Absent: McKoan, Eder

Moved by Kot, supported by Williams, MOTION CARRIED, to approve the minutes of October 13, 2004. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Absent: McKoan, Eder.

SHOWCAUSE:

DB-2004-015 THOMAS/SALLY TAYLOR 6880 S CHANNEL DR.

Chairman Uschwald called Mike Kras, as first witness to this case.

Kras: This case is here for show cause, Mr. Taylor is here today, let him explain what he wants to do.

Mr. Taylor: The place needs to come down. The perimeter of the old house (the porch) is caving in. I have had estimates. I came up with two that I might afford. They say that the winter is the best time to tear it down. I gave a marine contractor a check 11-10-03, to get a seawall. I thought that is where I should start. I received the authorization permit, last Wednesday, November 3, 2004. Two days later for St. Clair County for Soil Erosion Permit. I have the Statement of Particulars here, and I know that the building has to come down.

Miller: Is the application for just the seawall?

Mr. Taylor: Yes. I will be putting that in the spring.

Miller: When the seawall is completed, then you will demolish the house?

Mr. Taylor: Yes.

Kras: I think what Mr. Taylor is asking for, is some more time.

Williams: How much time do you think you need, Mr. Taylor?

Mr. Taylor: What should be done first, the seawall.

Kras: You might as well try to get everything done simultaneously .

Williams: Why don't we give him until spring?

Discussion between members on time limit.

Mr. Taylor: Who determines, what can be saved? I think the house is sound, the porch is what needs to be torn down.

Kras: I can do a walk through with you. If you are on a solid foundation, I don't think you will have a problem.

Uschwald: Mike, would he have to abide by any new rules?

Kras: Yes.

Further discussion on Case No. DB-2004-015

Moved by Williams, supported by Kot, to postpone Case No. DB-2004-015 until May 1, 2005, to allow Mr. Taylor time to get things in order. Also, leave up to the discretion of the building inspector and Mr. Taylor on whether or not it should be torn down, or not. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Absent: McKoan, Eder.

DB-2004-016 ROBERT/WILLIAM STACKPOOLE 6750 DICKINSON ISLAND

Chairman Uschwald called Mike Kras as first witness to this case.

Kras: This is the sixty (60) day show cause hearing. Mr. Stackpoole has contacted me, and he advised me that he would take care of tearing down the building. He said he might even have it done by the end of November or beginning of December. I haven't been there since June. This is a seasonal home, he's doing a small piece at a time. He said he would call me when he got it done. He's asking for more time. Let's set this one for the January meeting.

Moved by Miller, supported by Piotrowski, MOTION CARRIED, to table Case No. DB-2004-016 until January 2005 meeting, to allow time for Mr. Stackpoole to complete his demolition. ROLL CALL: AYES: Kot, Piotrowski, Uschwald, Miller, Terrien, Williams. NAYS: Edler.

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

DB-2004-021 STATE OF MICHIGAN SNI BORA

Chairman Uschwald called Mike Kras as first witness to this case.

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Kras: This building is in bad shape. I'm trying to get all the State buildings on. I suggest we have a show cause in sixty (60) days.

Moved by Miller, supported by Piotrowski, MOTION CARRIED, to have a show cause in sixty (60) days. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Absent: McKoan, Eder.

DB-2004-022 FRANKIE/CARRIE SWARTZ JR. 8176 ANCHOR BAY DR.

Chairman Uschwald called Mike Kras, as first witness to this case.

Kras: I talked to Mr. Swartz. He is in the process of building a new home. He told me he will work on this boathouse, in the spring. I told him he had sixty (60) days, and to write a letter of intent on boathouse, whether he would demolish it or repair it. I recommend a show cause in sixty (60) days

Williams: Is he building a house across the road?

Kras: Yes.

Uschwald: I was out there yesterday, and they are going to store all their things in the building until they build the house.

Moved by Kot, supported by Miller, MOTION CARRIED, to have a show cause in sixty (60) days. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Absent: McKoan, Eder.

UPDATE ON OLD CASES:

DB-2004-09 MARTIN/LESLIE HENRY 6330 SWARTOUT
DB-2004-10

Chairman Uschwald called Mike Kras as first witness to this case.

Kras: Mr. Henry has repaired the roof on the house. Today when I drove by, he has removed the patch job and re-shingled the roof. I suggest we remove both cases.

Moved by Williams, supported by Piotrowski, MOTION CARRIED, to dismiss Case No. DB-2004-09/2004-10, repairs to both buildings have been taken care of. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Absent: McKoan, Eder

DB-2004-011 STEVEN GOERLICH 6679 SWARTOUT

Chairman Uschwald called Mike Kras as first witness to this case.

Kras: I met with Mr. Goerlich. He has taken care of the holes in the roof, and did point out that he uses the building for storage, and nothing else. We did a walk around the building, and he has complied with everything we asked. My recommendation is that we dismiss this case.

Moved by Miller, supported by Terrien, MOTION CARRIED, to dismiss Case No. DB-2004-11, Mr. Goerlich has complied with all the repairs the commission has asked for. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Absent: McKoan, Eder.

DB-2004-12 LOIS CROMIE 3708 S CHANNEL DR.

Chairman Uchwald called Mike Kras as first witness to this case.

Kras: I talked to her, needs more time. I have talked with two contractors that she has contacted on what needs to be done there. One of them said that he wouldn't get to this until spring. I would like to give her at least ninety (90) days.

Miller: Milt and I were out looking at it yesterday, it's leaning, but I don't think that its real dangerous, there are some windows out. I think they should board up the window's.

Kot: What's taken them so long?

Kras: They had some zoning issues.

More discussion on Case No. DB-2004-12.

Moved by Piotrowski, supported by Kot, MOTION CARRIED, to allow them a ninety (90) day extension , has to board up windows, and a time line of completion of repair or demolition of the garage, and all debris cleaned up. AYES: ALL. NAYS: Absent: McKoan, Eder.

Edler was called out on an emergency @ 2:30.

Moved by Miller, supported by Kot, MOTION CARRIED, to adjourn the meeting @ 2:35. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Absent: McKoan, Eder.

Marie A. Johnson
Recording Secretary

