

Minutes of the Clay Township Dangerous Building Commission meeting held on Wednesday, May 9, 2007, at the Clay Township Meeting Hall, 4710 Pte. Tremble Rd., Algonac MI.

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

Roll Call: Leonard Uschwald, Mary Kot, David Salvador, Jim Miller, Ted Piotrowski. Excused: Georgia Williams, Don Drake, Rick Edler, and Jon Manos.

Also Present: Michael J. Kras, Building Official & John McNamee, Clay Township Attorney

Motion by Miller supported by Piotrowski to approve the minutes of April 11, 2007.

AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Williams, Drake, Edler, and Manos.

MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Uschwald: We are going to take the case where the homeowner is present, so she will not have to wait. Therefore, some of the cases are out of order from the agenda to accommodate the public.

UPDATES:

DB-2006-012

MELISSA FAIRCLOTH

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

Kras: The mother of Ms. Faircloth has been in touch with me regarding the cleanup of the property. So if Ms. Faircloth would like to come up and talk on her behalf she is more than welcome to do so.

Ms. Faircloth: I had a caretaker who was supposed to be working on the house and garage and cleaning them up, but that has not worked out and that was faulty judgment on my part. I am now living with my son and going to Wayne State and will be finishing tomorrow. I now have someone else who is living in there and doing the repairs and clean up, but am not sure what needs to be done. I will find out this afternoon what he has done and go from there. I am asking you for some time to get this all taken care of.

Uschwald: Mike, what do you think?

Kras: That is alright with me. The last time I was there, it was improved immensely just by the cleaning up of the outside, but there are still some issues that need to be taken care of.

Uschwald: Is there any work she will be doing that will require a permit?

Kras: No, not right now.

Piotrowski: Melissa, how much time do you think you will need to get this done?

Ms. Faircloth: I don't know what the Ordinances are or mean, so to answer how much time I will need, I will have to have the Ordinances explained to me.

Kot: Do you think if we gave you 60 days that would be adequate time?

Ms. Faircloth: Yes.

Miller: I would like to make a suggestion that you talk to the Building Inspector and he can tell you exactly what you need to do.

Kras: We will set something up for Monday and I will go the site and talk to Ms. Faircloth about what needs to be done.

Motion by Miller, supported by Salvador to table case DB-2006-012 for 60 days. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Williams, Drake, Edler, and Manos. MOTION CARRIED.

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS:

DB-2007-007 B. JONES/E. JONES/L. AMATO 9116 PETERS ROAD

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

Kras: This building is in the rear of the property and is falling down. I recommend a Showcause Hearing in 60 days.

Motion by Miller, supported by Kot to have a Showcause Hearing for case DB-2007-007 in 60 days. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Williams, Drake, Edler, and Manos. MOTION CARRIED.

DB-2007-008 RICHARD/LINDA LENIK 8634 ANCHOR BAY DRIVE

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

Kras: The boathouse is out of plumb. It needs to be straightened and brought into compliance or removed. I recommend we have a Showcause Hearing in 60 days.

Motion by Kot, supported Piotrowski to have a Showcause Hearing for case DB-2007-008 in 60 days. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Williams, Drake, Edler, and Manos. MOTION CARRIED.

UPDATES:

DB-2006-005 CROWN ENTERPRISES 4303 PTE. TREMBLE RD.

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

Kras: They have removed a lot of the debris around the property and boarded up the building. This property is in the area of the proposed new Harsens Island Bridge and this building might get torn down. I recommend giving them more time to see what is going to happen.

Motion by Miller supported by Piotrowski to table case DB-2006-005 for 90 days. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Williams, Drake, Edler, and Manos. MOTION CARRIED.

DB-2006-015 GERALD M. ZAMBOROWSKI 9652 ISLAND DRIVE

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

Kras: I had a meeting with Mr. Zaborowski regarding this property and I advised him that the property needed to be cleaned up and repair the building that was never completed. I showed him the things that needed to be taken care of and Mr. Zaborowski agreed and he is going to hire a contractor to do the work. I got a call from the occupant this morning and she said her nephew is going to be the contractor of record and he is going to repair the building and clean up all the debris on the property. Mr. Zaborowski agreed with me on a 30 day extension.

Salvador: Does he need a permit to fix the building?

Kras: He originally had a permit and I never did a final on the permit, so I told him to fix it up and bring it into compliance.

Motion by Kot supported by Salvador to table case DB-2006-015 for 30 days. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Williams, Drake, Edler, and Manos. MOTION CARRIED.

DB-2007-003 MARK/MARY ARMSTRONG 8806 STONE ROAD

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

Kras: Mr. & Mrs. Armstrong have removed the building and I recommend this case be dismissed.

Motion by Miller supported by Salvador to dismiss case DB-2007-003. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Williams, Drake, Edler, and Manos. MOTION CARRIED.

DB-2007-004 KEITH BONAM 8460 MARSH ROAD

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

Kras: Mr. Bonam has removed the building and all the debris that was caused by the fire and I recommend this case be dismissed.

Motion by Piotrowski supported by Kot to dismiss case DB-2007-004. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Williams, Drake, Edler, and Manos. MOTION CARRIED.

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Motion by Miller supported by Kot to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 pm. AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Williams, Drake, Edler, and Manos. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Watson
Recording Secretary