

Minutes of the Clay Township Dangerous Building Commission meeting held on Wednesday, May 14, 2008, at the Clay Township Meeting Hall, 4710 Pte. Tremble Rd., Algonac MI.

Chairman Uschwald called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

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

Also Present: Michael J. Kras, Building Official

Motion by Miller, supported by Williams to approve the minutes of March 12, 2008.

AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Don Drake, Rick Edler, and Jon Manos.

MOTION CARRIED.

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

UPDATES:

DB-2006-010 ANTHONY NAWROCKI 2662 COTTAGE LANE

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

Kras: This building has been repaired and this case can be dismissed.

Mr. Nawrocki: Am I going to get a confirmation that my building is off the dangerous building list?

Kras: Sure, we will give you a copy of the dossier that the Chairman signs.

Mr. Nawrocki: Thank you.

Motion by Williams, supported by Salvador to dismiss case #DB-2006-010.

AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Don Drake, Rick Edler, and Jon Manos.

MOTION CARRIED.

SHOWCAUSE:

DB-2008-004 SUZANNE WINES 8080 ANCHOR BAY DR.

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

Kras: This is an accessory structure that is across the street from the home. The building is leaning. It is out of plumb. It needs to be repaired or removed.

Ms. Wines: I would like to repair it, if at all possible.

Williams: How long will you need to repair it?

Ms. Wines' son: I plan on jacking up the structure, shoring it up and straightening it out. I could use a 90 day extension.

Motion by Williams, supported by Salvador to table case #DB-2008-004 for 90 days.
AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Don Drake, Rick Edler, and Jon Manos.
MOTION CARRIED.

DB-2008-003 ERIC/HELENE STANCZAK 222 LA CROIX

Chairman Uschwald: Mr. Stanczak did notify the board that he was bringing his attorney in, but our Township attorney is tied up in court and I suggest that we make a motion to table this case today and extend it to our next meeting.

Kras: Since our attorney could not make it I would just like to say that this letter Mr. Stanczak's attorney sent is basically telling me that the documents we provided do not give them any information, but the fact is that the ordinance stated in the a, b, c areas give all the information needed and he was told he could get a copy of the ordinance.

Mr. Moeller (Mr. Stanczak's attorney): Yes, we do have a copy of the ordinance and it does set forth some categories. What your ordinance requires is a Statement of Particulars from your Building Inspector, specifying what makes this building dangerous. We need to know the facts. What is wrong with this building? It's obviously not obvious or I would not be here or my client would not be here.

Uschwald: We are not going to discuss your case today at all. If you need information on what has to be done, you can contact the Building Inspector and he'll give you the information.

Motion by Kot, supported by McQuade to postpone case #DB-2008-003 for 30 days until the June meeting.
AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Don Drake, Rick Edler, and Jon Manos.
MOTION CARRIED.

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS:

DB-2008-007 S&S INVESTMENT CO. 2153 NORTH CHANNEL

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

Kras: There is fire damage to this house. One-half of the structure has been burned. I do not know if it can be repaired. I recommend a Showcause Hearing in 60 days.

Miller: David and I looked at it and the bottom part of it is boarded up, but the roof is open that maybe someone can get in.

Kras: I don't think they will be able to get in.

Motion by Salvador, Miller to dismiss case #DB-2007-012.

AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Don Drake, Rick Edler, and Jon Manos.
MOTION CARRIED.

DB-2007-013 GEORGE L. ARNTFIELD 8700 ANCHOR BAY DR.

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

Kras: I have been talking with Mr. Arntfield, he is one of the gentlemen that went to Florida and I have a meeting with him on Friday at 10:00 am to discuss this building. He asked for a little more time.

Motion by Kot, supported by McQuade to table case #DB-2007-013 for 30 days.

AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Don Drake, Rick Edler, and Jon Manos.
MOTION CARRIED.

DB-2007-016 GEORGE L. ARNTFIELD 8709 ANCHOR BAY DR.

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

Kras: This is the same gentleman as the previous case that I will be meeting with on Friday, so the owner also needs a little more time on this one also.

Motion by Williams, supported by Kot to table case #DB-2007-016 for 30 days.

AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Don Drake, Rick Edler, and Jon Manos.
MOTION CARRIED.

MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Discussion amongst members and Mike Kras on previous cases, what has been taken down, what has been repaired and procedures.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Miller, supported by Williams to adjourn the meeting @ 3:00 pm.

AYES: ALL. NAYS: NONE. Excused: Don Drake, Rick Edler, and Jon Manos.
MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Watson
Recording Secretary