



## **Blight Prevention Board Meeting**

Wednesday May 23, 2023 at 10:00am

Via Zoom, in accordance with Executive Order 7B

Meeting Minutes Approved

Please note these minutes are not verbatim.

**Attendees:** First Selectman Rudy Marconi, Building Official Jason Celestino, Health Director Ed Briggs, and Recording Secretary Gillian Sheerin

**Also in Attendance:** Cindy Crean, Dave Liederbach, Scott Maltas, Mindy Eskenazi

**Absent:** Planning and Zoning Director Alice Dew, Fire Marshal Guy Mignilas

The meeting was called to order at 10:04am

### **1. 518 Bennetts Farm Road**

Mindy Eskenazi, 512 Bennetts Farm Road, submitted a complaint against 518 Bennetts Farm Road. Jason Celestino took a look at the property and determined there are no safety, fire or health hazards and therefore no blight violations.

### **2. 29 Lakeview Drive**

There has been no update from Attorney Alex Copp on the stipulation agreement. Rudy Marconi will send an update as soon as he receives one. There was a discussion about demolition permits and how long it could take to get one and if a silt fence is needed. There will be a tax sale next week on the property. Mr. Marconi will follow up on the silt fence, the courts status, and the outcome of the tax sale.

### **3. 145 High Ridge Ave**

Scott Maltas, property owner, is planning to sell the property and is currently working with a Real Estate Agent and Attorney. He commented that the back taxes will be taken care of.

Mr. Marconi suggested applying for a Brownfield Grant to help with clean up to deal with the environmental issues, which Mr. Maltas okayed. Mr. Maltas did have a 3-phase report completed and will send it to the Board for review.

Before the next meeting on June 26, 2023, Mr. Maltas needs to have the roof fixed or at least have a contractor lined up. He also needs to have the abandoned vehicles removed. If these are not done by June 26<sup>th</sup>, the Board will begin implementation of fines.

Dave Leiderbach, 129 High Ridge Ave, thanked the Board for the tree work the Town provided on the property.

4. **120 Ivy Hill Road**

There are no updates on the property. The taxes are fully paid. Mr. Marconi commented that it is time to get the Town Attorney involved.

5. **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

*Jason Celestino moved to approve the April 25, 2023 and May 10, 2023 Blight Prevention Board Meeting minutes. Ed Briggs second the motion. Motion carries 3-0.*

*Ed Briggs moved to adjourn the May 23, 2023 Blight Prevention Board Meeting. Jason Celestino second the motion. Motion carries 3-0.*