

**Town of Ridgefield
Blight Prevention Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 10:00am
Lower Level Small Conference Room
Town Hall, 400 Main Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877**

Meeting Minutes-Approved

Please note these minutes are not verbatim

Attendees: Fire Marshal Guy Miglinas, Building Official Jason Celestino, Zoning Enforcement Officer Richard Baldelli, and Recording Secretary Cristina Santoianni.

Absent: First Selectman Rudy Marconi and Health Director Ed Briggs

Guests: Lois Tebbutt (8 Strawberry Ridge Rd), Louise White (6 Strawberry Ridge Rd), Michael Aleksandrowicz (11 Bittersweet Bluff, New Milford, CT), Robert Aleksandrowicz (5 Hilltop View Ln, New Milford, CT), Wilson Rivera (82 Cooper Rd)

Mr. Baldelli called the meeting to order at 10:03am.

1. **82 Cooper Rd: Investigation of Property**

The Board found many disabled and possibly unregistered vehicles on the property.

Mr. Rivera (owner) told the Board he has removed at least 1,000 lbs. of debris from his property since he received notice of the complaint. He is on disability which is slowing the process, but will continue to clean up his property. Mr. Rivera allowed the Board permission to enter his property for further investigation.

The Board would like to continue the investigation before making a possible determination at the next meeting.

Mr. Baldelli motioned to continue the investigation for the next 30 days. Mr. Celestino seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0, motion passed.

2. **10 Strawberry Ridge Rd: Notice of Violation**

The Board did not find any improvements to the property.

Ms. Tebbutt (complainant) and Ms. White (neighbor) told the Board the property may now be owned by US National Bank. The locks on the doors have been changed. There is steady traffic in and out of the house, including the former owners, sometimes removing items. Concerned about water damage in the home and that the electricity may still be on.

Mr. Baldelli motioned to issue a citation. Mr. Celestino seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0, motion passed.

3. **2 Silver Spring Park Rd: 30-day extension**

The Board found improvements to the property. The yard and the back of the building were cleaned up.

Mr. M. Aleksandrowicz (owner) and Mr. R. Aleksandrowicz (co-owner) told the Board they removed debris from under the deck, repaired the deck railing, installed a window, and installed siding.

Mr. Baldelli motioned to make a determination of no blight. Mr. Celestino seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0, motion passed.

4. **118 Walnut Grove Rd: 30-day extension**

The Board found improvements to the property. The roof is being repaired, the tractor has been removed, and the property has been turned over to Sturges.

Mr. Celestino motioned to make a determination of no blight. Mr. Baldelli seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0, motion passed.

5. **29 Lakeview Dr: In litigation. Possible executive session.**

The Board has not received any current information regarding the property except that it continues to be in litigation. The Board did not go into executive session. No motions were made.

6. **Approval of Meeting Dates: 2019**

The Board reviewed the list of the proposed 2019 meeting dates created by Ms. Santoianni.

Mr. Baldelli motioned to approve the meeting dates. Mr. Celestino seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0, motion passed.

7. **Approval of Meeting Minutes: October 23, 2018**

The Board reviewed the revised October 23, 2018 unapproved meeting minutes.

Mr. Baldelli motioned to approve the meeting minutes. Mr. Miglinas seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0, motion passed.

Mr. Baldelli motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m. Mr. Miglinas seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0, motion passed.