



**Town of Cedar Lake**  
**Unsafe Building Department Minutes**  
**July 17, 2019 6:30 p.m.**

Call to Order (Time): 6:34 p.m.

Pledge to Flag

Roll Call:

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| Present | Chuck Kouder                  | Present | Tim Kubiak, Director of Operations      |
| Present | Richard Sharpe                | Present | Michelle Bakker, Building Administrator |
| Absent  | Julie Rivera                  | Absent  | Todd Wilkening, Fire Chief              |
| Absent  | David Austgen, Town Attorney  | Present | Sarah Rutschmann, Recording Secretary   |
| Present | Ryan Deutmeyer, Town Attorney |         |   |

**Minutes:**

A motion was made by Rick Sharpe and seconded by Chuck Kouder to approve the Minutes of the June 19, 2019.

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| Julie Rivera | Richard Sharpe | Chuck Kouder | Vote |
| Absent       | Yes            | Yes          | 2-0  |

**Old Business:**

1. **12611 Cline Avenue – Owner: Sergio H. Urquiza, Daniel A. Urquiza and John Paul Urquiza J/T R/S**  
**Deferred monthly from October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to July 17, 2019**

Bakker stated a developer had presented a concept plan to the Plan Commission on June 5, 2019.  
Bakker will send a letter to the owner &/or potential developer regarding action to be taken.

Motion was made by Rick Sharpe and seconded by Chuck Kouder to defer to August 21, 2019.

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|--------------|----------------|--------------|------|
| Julie Rivera | Richard Sharpe | Chuck Kouder | Vote |
| Absent       | Yes            | Yes          | 2-0  |

2. **12712 Dewey St. – (new owner) US Bank Nat'l Assoc Trs for C-BASS Mtg Ser 2007-CB4**  
**Deferred from October 17, 2018 to July 17, 2019**

This property was formerly owned by Kathy Jordan & Roberta Pace. Bakker will send a letter to the new owner.

Motion was made by Rick Sharpe and seconded by Chuck Kouder to defer to August 21, 2019.

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|--------------|----------------|--------------|------|
| Julie Rivera | Richard Sharpe | Chuck Kouder | Vote |
| Absent       | Yes            | Yes          | 2-0  |

3. **9910 W. 142<sup>nd</sup> Ave. – Payokovich, Michele S.**

Bakker stated she has not heard from Payokovich, moved it from an update item to an agenda item and will send a letter to her regarding action to be taken.

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Motion was made by Rick Sharpe and seconded by Chuck Kouder to defer to August 21, 2019.

| Julie Rivera | Richard Sharpe | Chuck Kouder | Vote |
|--------------|----------------|--------------|------|
| Absent       | Yes            | Yes          | 2-0  |

#### 4. 14403 Lauerman St. – Mills, Kay

Bakker stated she had previously talked to Kay's son about his picking up the permit but he has not obtained a permit yet. Kouder indicated he has seen the property being cleaned up on the exterior. Bakker will send a letter to the owner &/or son to give an update on their intentions.

Motion was made by Rick Sharpe and seconded by Chuck Kouder to defer to August 21, 2019.

| Julie Rivera | Richard Sharpe | Chuck Kouder | Vote |
|--------------|----------------|--------------|------|
| Absent       | Yes            | Yes          | 2-0  |

#### Update Item:

1. **7424 W. 140<sup>th</sup> Pl – Graves, Sheila:** The garage needs to be torn down, however the car still remains in the garage and there is a van located in front of the garage that does not have a title. Deutmeyer recommended the family be contacted to see about obtaining the vehicles, giving them a time frame of 7 days to remove the vehicle and if nothing is done, then obtaining a towing company to remove the vehicles. Deutmeyer will also contact VASIA to obtain contact information for the family. Kubiak is to get a bill for the demo to Deutmeyer and stated the well will be capped off within the next week.

#### Deferred To August 21, 2019:

- **8816 W. 141<sup>st</sup> Ave. – Bird, Stanley & Jane G**
- **13632 Morse St. – Parker, Robert J. & Margaret**
- **7223 W. 126<sup>th</sup> Ave. – Wellwerts, Noreen & Patricia Brooks**

**Public Comment:** Karen Sulski, caretaker for Jeffrey Obarski, was presenting on his behalf due to him being bedridden, disabled, and on oxygen. Mr. Obarski wrote a letter which Ms. Sulski read regarding the house located at 8705 132<sup>nd</sup> Pl. Sulski stated there are quite a bit of feral cats, possums, and raccoons in the area staying in the house. She stated there are broken windows, door in back is open and an unsecured, and abandoned home that she chases kids out of the home for concern of safety. Kubiak stated his intent was to board up windows and doors and cut down trees, but will plan to demo the home in the next few weeks.

**Adjournment:** Chuck Kouder asked for a motion to adjourn. Julie Rivera made the motion with second by Richard Sharpe. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

**Next meeting:** August 21, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

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**Chuck Kouder**

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**Richard Sharpe**

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**Julie Rivera**

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**Sarah Rutschmann, Recording Secretary**

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