

## Town of Cedar Lake Unsafe Building Department Minutes September 18, 2019 6:30 p.m.

Call to Order (Time): Richard Sharpe called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

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Roll Call:

Absent Chuck Kouder Present Tim Kubiak, Director of Operations
Present Richard Sharpe Present Michelle Bakker, Building Administrator

Present Julie Rivera Absent Todd Wilkening, Fire Chief

Absent David Austgen, Town Attorney Present Sarah Rutschmann, Recording Secretary

Present Ryan Deutmeyer, Town Attorney

### Minutes:

Richard Sharpe asked for members to approve the Minutes of the August 21, 2019 meeting by saying I. Voice vote of 2:0 approval (Richard Sharpe & Julie Rivera).

### **Old Business:**

1. 12611 Cline Avenue – Owner: Sergio H. Urquiza, Daniel A. Urquiza and John Paul Urquiza J/T R/S

<u>Deferred monthly from October 18, 2017 to September 18, 2019</u>

Owner was not present tonight. Bakker stated she had not heard anything from them. Kubiak indicated there was possibly a new owner. Deutmeyer stated he heard it was under contract. The owner has not been indicated. Upon reviewing the GIS, Bakker indicated that the property owner is listed solely as Sergio H Urquiza; the other two brothers were not included. Name on the ownership will need to be changed to reflect the discovery.

Sharpe asked for members to approve the deferral of this item to next month by voice vote. Voice vote of 2:0 approval (Richard Sharpe & Julie Rivera).

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 September 18, 2019

Bakker stated that Deutmeyer has a different address to send a new notice. Deutmeyer stated this property was a mortgage foreclosure and the bank reacquired the property.

Sharpe asked for members to approve the deferral of this item to next month by voice vote. Voice vote of 2:0 approval (Richard Sharpe & Julie Rivera).

### **Update Item:**

- **1. 14403 Lauerman St. Mills, Kay:** Bakker stated the board requested a letter be sent last month. The letter was sent and we have not heard back.
- **2. 7424 W. 140**<sup>th</sup> **PI Graves, Sheila:** Tim Kubiak provided a copy of the invoice for demolition of the property. Deutmeyer indicated this item could be removed from the list.

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- 3. 8816 W. 141<sup>st</sup> Ave. Bird, Stanley & Jane G: Attorney Carri Crider was present on behalf of her clients. Crider indicated she had driven by the property on her way here tonight. She expressed concern after not hearing back from her clients after two attempted calls. She noted two vehicles on the property; both of which are being used and driven. Sharpe indicated he had been by today and the vehicles were not in the drive, noting it was a good indicator that the couple was out and about. The van that was located at the east drive is gone. The grass has been mowed. The west side where the raspberries were located has been cleared out about 30 feet north of the road. The other 30 feet needs some attention. She noted her clients are still making progress. Kubiak, Sharpe, and Rivera all agreed that they are making good improvement and can be removed from the list. Members thanked Crider for coming and keeping them updated.
- **4. 7223 W. 126<sup>th</sup> Ave. Wellwerts, Noreen & Patricia Brooks:** Kubiak stated the grass is tall and it looks like no one has been around. Bakker stated the taxes are overdue. Deutmeyer stated the property had been sold in tax sale. He stated that expired on September 11 and would require about 2 months for processing. Bakker and Deutmeyer agreed this item could be moved to December's update list.
- 5. Possible Unsafe Structures: Bakker stated there was a list supplied of all of the unsafe homes she had been told about and asked to inspect. Wilkening is out on leave so these inspections have not been completed yet. She had not put them on the agenda yet because she wanted confirmation that they were unsafe and just not a matter of looking bad. Those possible unsafe structures were as follows: 12740 Hilltop, 13716 Birch, 7109 W 146<sup>th</sup> Ave, 13415 Edison, 13513 Knight, 8705 W 132<sup>nd</sup> Place, 7105 W 128<sup>th</sup> Ave, 9125 W 142<sup>nd</sup> Ave, 7118 W 131<sup>st</sup> Pl, and 9115 W 142<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

## **October Meeting:**

- **1. 13632 Morse St. Parker, Robert J. & Margaret:** Bakker stated Parker brought in a plan and are going to demo the back of the house. She stated once those are turned in, this item could be removed.
  - **2. 9910 W. 142**<sup>nd</sup> **Ave. Payokovich, Michele S.:** Bakker stated Payokovich has obtained a permit and picked it up. A dumpster is coming tomorrow and they will be removing the porch on Saturday. Deutmeyer asked what the timeframe on the permit was. Bakker indicated the permit is good for one year.

Public Comment: None.

**Adjournment:** Richard Sharpe adjourned meeting at 6:51 pm.

Next meeting: October 16, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

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