

Code Enforcement Committee

Minutes

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Room 208 - Municipal Building

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Committee Members Present: Bruce Driska, Christopher Smedick, Joseph Bibisi, Nick Purro, Art Higgins, Sal Nesci, Steve Kroll and Bobbye Knoll Peterson.

Members of the Public: None.

Discussion regarding:

Health Dept.

1. 465 Middlefield Street: (Sweet v. Middletown Health Department). Issue involving numerous health code violations on the property. Hearing was held at the State Health Department and the State found for the City. The owner appealed from that decision. The General Counsel is covering oral argument on the matter in the coming weeks. No action taken.
2. 24 Grand Street: Property is in compliance. No further action warranted.
3. 51 Green Street: The Health Department reported last month that an individual is living in a van in the Green Street Parking lot. Health Department initiated code enforcement activities and the van has not returned to the Green Street parking lot.

SFD.

1. 2100 S. Main Street: Fire at restaurant. No fire code violations and no action needed.

City Fire. No issues of concern

WFD.

1. 218 Smith Street (Red Fox Restaurant): The restaurant is open and licensed. No further action needed.

MPD. No issues of concern

Bld. Insp.

1. 491 E. Main Street: See Legal Department Section.
2. 5 Prospect Street: No action taken. Enforcement action on hold.

Zoning Enf

1. Wadsworth: Bruce Driska contacted the Attorney General's office on this property, who informed Mr. Driska that the Attorney General's office had some questions on the deed and referred it to Attorney Rachel Wietzel at another state agency. To date, no reply from Attorney Weitzel has been received. No update.

Legal

1. 491 E. Main Street: The property was put on the blight list. An order was sent in July 2014 to clean up the property. The owner of the property is behind on taxes. The Health Department issued a new order. The OGC has send a legal order demanding the property be brought into compliance. Since the OGC has not received a response, the OGC has initiated procedures to bring the property into compliance.
2. 5 Maple Place: The issue on this property is that it is a two family home being used as a rooming house. A hearing before the State Health Department was conducted, and after the hearing, the hearing officer requested that the parties present supplemental information. Both parties have supplemented the record and the case will be reviewed and decided by the hearing officer.

Neat

New Matters:

1. Rail bed behind Erin Street Garden: Residents are dumping garbage in the rail bed being the Erin Street Garden. NEAT will contact the owner of the property to assist with the clean-up of the property.

Old Business: None.

New Business:None.

Motion to Adjourn: MOVED by Sal Nesci; SECONDED by Bruce Driska, and carried UNANIMOUSLY.