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PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

CITY OF PORTAGEVILLE

Public Hearing – Building Commission Portageville City Hall December 13, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

The Portageville Board of Aldermen, acting as Building Commission, held a Public Hearing on Monday, December 13, 2021, at City Hall at 5:30 pm to determine if certain property was in violation of the Portageville Municipal Code. This meeting was rescheduled from December 6, 2021, due to not having a quorum. Mayor Berry called the public hearing to order.

ATTENDANCE

Vince Berry, Mayor Denis McCrate, Alderman W1 Michael Johnston, Alderman W2

Carol Bowden Susan Warren Megan Travis Rachel Wrather, City Clerk Kristine Adams, Alderman W1 Rodi Walker, Alderman W2

Jonathan Thacker James Bumpus

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Alderman McCrate, seconded by Alderman Adams and unanimously carried, to approve the agenda as submitted.

OLD BUSINESS

216 US HIGHWAY 61 N

Jonathan Thacker, Code Enforcement Officer, approached the Building Commission regarding Portageville Municipal Code violations at property owned by Mike Allgier located at 216 US Hwy 61 N. This was the fourth appearance for this property. Thacker stated that after speaking with Allgier this property is in the process of being sold and the sale should be completed by the end of the month. The new owners plan to tear it down. Discussion followed. The property was carried over until the February 7, 2022.

708 MEATTE AVE

Jonathan Thacker, Code Enforcement Officer, approached the Building Commission regarding Portageville Municipal Code violations at property owned by Harry Toton located at 708 Meatte Avenue. This was the third appearance for this property.

Susan Warren, council for Harry Toton, was present and expressed that Toton was still medically incapacitated, and she was unable to speak to her client to have directive on these matters. Warren asked that this matter be continued until the February 7, 2022, meeting. The Building Commission agreed.

613 MEATTE AVE

Jonathan Thacker, Code Enforcement Officer, approached the Building Commission regarding Portageville Municipal Code violations at property owned by Harry Toton located at 613 Meatte Avenue. This was the third appearance for this property. Susan Warren, council for Harry Toton, was present and expressed that Toton was still medically incapacitated, and she was unable to speak to her client to have directive on these matters. Warren asked that this matter be continued until the February 7, 2022, meeting. The Building Commission agreed.

NEW BUSINESS

606 LESIEUR AVE

Jonathan Thacker, Code Enforcement Officer, approached the Building Commission regarding Portageville Municipal Code violations at property owned by William Clay located at 606 LeSieur Ave. This was the first appearance for this property. Thacker stated that Mr. Clay lives outside of the state and prior to the house being involved in a fire had offered to donate the property to the City. It was owned by his mother, Minnie Alice Clay, and left to the children upon her death. Discussion followed. Mayor Berry asked for a motion to issue a 30 day clean up notice to all property owners. Motion was made by Alderman Adams. Alderman Johnston seconded. All members voted in favor.

223 EAST MAIN ST

Jonathan Thacker, Code Enforcement Officer, approached the Building Commission regarding Portageville Municipal Code violations at property owned by Harry Toton and Marvin Brandon located at 223 East Main Street. This was the first appearance for this property. Susan Warren, council for Harry Toton, was present and expressed that Toton was still medically incapacitated, and she was unable to speak to her client to have directive on these matters. She stated that Mr. Brandon was also in poor health. Discussion followed. Mayor Berry asked for a motion to issue a 30 day clean up notice to all property owners. Items to be addressed include but are not limited to the exterior wall, exposed electrical, air conditioner platform and inside inspection. Motion was made by Alderman Adams. Alderman Johnston seconded. All members voted in favor. This matter will be continued at the February 7, 2022, meeting. Alderman Adams stated that in the meantime, she

would like to see our Street Department block off the parking and sidewalk.

205 US HWY 61 N

Jonathan Thacker, Code Enforcement Officer, approached the Building Commission regarding Portageville Municipal Code violations at property owned by B&V Sales (Joe Vincent and Mary Bruner) located at 205 US Hwy 61 North. This was the first appearance for this property. Thacker stated that he had sent letters to each involved party but received no response. Discussion followed. Mayor Berry stated that he would try to contact someone about possibly donating it to the City and look into a Brownfield project. The matter was continued until February 7, 2022.

309 WEST 8TH ST

Jonathan Thacker, Code Enforcement Officer, approached the Building Commission regarding Portageville Municipal Code violations at property owned by James Bumpus located at 309 West 8th Street. This was the first appearance for this property. Bumpus was present and stated that he would like to dispose of the trailer but could not find anyone to take on the project for a reasonable price. Discussion followed. Mayor Berry stated that Joe Scherer might be willing to take the trailer for scrap, and that he would try to contact him. In the meantime, Mayor Berry will ask Joey Walters, Street Superintendent, to compile a rough estimate on the cost of the City removing the trailer. The matter was continued until February 7, 2022.

PUBLIC FORUM

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

No further business appearing before the Portageville Board of Aldermen, Mayor Berry asked for a motion to adjourn the public hearing at 5:55 p.m. Motion was made by Alderman Walker and seconded by Alderman Johnston. All members voted in favor.

Rachel Wrather

City Clerk

Vince Berr Mayor