

**ANTI-BLIGHT COMMITTEE  
Meeting Minutes**

March 26, 2013

**Members**

Thomas Mills - present  
Milton C. Thomas, Esq. - present (late arrival)  
Franklin Melzer, Esq. - present  
Carl Franzetti - present  
Patricia Parry - present

**Staff**

Paul Zeiss - present

**Special Counsel**

Vincent J Freccia III, Esq. - present

No meeting was held in December 2012

Call To Order

1.

2. Approval of Minutes

The draft minutes of April 20, 2012 were reviewed and approved w/out changes. Motion made and seconded; carried 4-0-0. Ms Parry asked about minutes from the October 2012 meeting when she was absent and was told that no minutes were taken. Mr. Freccia asked if the minutes could be reconstructed from the tape recording of the meeting. Ms Parry will attempt to do that. Ms Parry also asked about process to get minutes posted online and was told to bring them to Donna Loglisci.

2. Collection/Enforcement/Status of Previous Certified List

Mr. Freccia gave an overview of actions since last meeting. Several properties cleaned up and case settled. Fines paid to date are \$12,500. Some properties are in foreclosure, with 172 Vine Rd. in Chapter 11.

3. Presentation of Properties by Anti-Blight Officer

a) 831 East Main Street – there is storage of construction equipment and material but site not zoned for this use.

b) 431 Haviland Road - previously blighted under previous ABO. Neighbors complaining again; barn roof caved in; fence falling down; pictures reviewed. Motion to deem blighted moved by Ms. Parry; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Thomas; vote to blight 4-0-1 (Mr. Franzetti abstained – out of room for discussion)

c) 30 Dora Street – multifamily house – complaints from neighbors and customers service bureau; wood burning fireplace installed without permit and chimney too short. Chimney extended but no evidence of building permit. There is a shed on the property with no evidence of a permit. There is overgrown vegetation. ABO shared an email with homeowner where he cites cold and terrain as obstacles to overcome. A motion was made by Mr. Franklin to refer this property to the HD and to the Fire commissioner for their review and to deem the property blighted. Seconded by Mr. Franzetti and vote 5-0-0.

Mr. Franzetti made motion to request additional secretarial help for this commission; seconded by Mr. Franklin and carried 5-0-0. Mr. Mills will follow-up.

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d) 52 Diaz Street – work is going on without an permit. It appears that owner is doing car repairs commercially on property. A garage was added and basement work done without any permits. There is a stockade fence that makes it difficult completely assess the activities on the property. Motion to deem blighted by Mr. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Franzetti. Motion carried 5-0-0.

e) 109 Seaside Avenue – it appears that scrap is being collected on the property. Pictures were reviewed. Motion to deem the property s blighted by Ms. Parry and seconded by Mr. Thomas. Motion carried 5-0-0.

f) 893 Long Ridge Road – the house is decrepit. The owner does not live at this address but has a relative there. Motion to deem property as blighted by Ms. Parry; seconded by Mr. Thomas. Motion carried 5-0-0.

g) 104 Maple Avenue – this property has been unoccupied for about 10 years,, No Permits??? Motion to deem blighted by Mr. Franklin; seconded by Mr. Thomas. Motion carried 5-0-0.

h) 1 Finney Lane – this is a property with new construction that happens to have been abandoned. Only foundation walls exlst. Motion to deem blighted by Ms. Parry; seconded by Mr. Franzetti. Motion carried 5-0-0.

i) 12 Lipton Place – this property is abandoned with broken windows and a door ajar. Motion to deem blighted by Mr. Franzetti; seconded by Ms. Parry. Motion carried 5-0-0.

**5. Certification of Blighted properties**

Mr. Mills moved that the properties llisted in the minutes above as blighted be so certified; seconded by Mr. Melzer. Vote carried unanimously.

**6. Future Meeting Dates**

The next meeting is planned for August 2013.

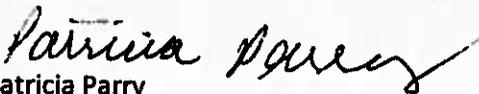
**New Business**

Mr. Franzetti renewed his request that additional secretarial help be requested by Mr. Mills, the Chair. Mr. Franzetti also made request to have the agenda and pertinent materials on properties to be considered sent to ABC members in advance of their meetings.

**7. Adjournment**

Mr. Mills moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 PM; seconded by Mr. Melzer. Vote carried 5-0-0.

Prepared and Respectfully submitted on 4/1/13

  
Patricia Parry  
Secretary