

CITY OF BURTON
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JULY 8, 2002, 7:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Council Vice President Danny Wells called the Special Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bement, Centilli, Martinbianco, Tinnin and Wells.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Brawner and Cross.

OTHERS PRESENT: J. Major, DPW Director; K. Wright, Building Inspector; M. Butzke, Building Inspector and C. Ladd, Deputy City Clerk.

THE PRESIDENT READ THE PURPOSE OF THE HEARING:

THIS IS THE TIME FIXED FOR HEARING AND CONSIDERING ANY COMMENTS TO THE DEMOLITION UNDER CONSIDERATION, TO-WIT:

1469 Norton St.

PRESENTATION: By the Department of Public Works

Mr. Major commented that the building is vacant and dilapidated. The windows need work, there is vegetation growing all around the foundation of the house and garage. The driveway is all grown to yard and the water has been shut off since July of 2000. The house was tagged in September of 2000. The gentleman is here this evening to speak to Council about the house.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

David Williams, 2715 Orchard Lane, Flint, MI 48504, said he would like to get the house so that it is in a livable state again. He does not want it demolished.

Mr. Bement asked Mr. Williams how long he thought it would take to get this accomplished.

Mr. Williams replied it would take approximately two months. It needs windows and a new hot water heater. The windows are currently boarded up and the lawn has been mowed.

Mr. Bement asked if he would have the repairs done in 60 days.

Mr. Williams replied that he has done some work on the inside and he doesn't think it would take a great deal of time to complete.

Mr. Major stated that no inspection has been done on the inside of the home.

Mr. Wright stated that he would want to inspect the inside of the house, as this has not been done since 2000. He said he has no doubts that the house can be rehabbed. The proper inspections should be done so the house would be up to date with the codes. Mr. Wright said if Mr. Williams were certain this could be completed and an inspection made on the house within the 60-day period, this would be good.

Mr. Williams said he would set up a date so an inspection could be made on the inside of the house.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Mr. Martinbianco said he would like to admonish the Council to treat each property owner that comes before the Council this evening the same, given the same set of circumstances.

Mr. Major noted that Mr. Williams is a short-term property owner.

Mr. Martinbianco asked if the criterion is different for a short-term owner versus a long-term owner. He said everybody has been given a fair chance before being brought before us for this procedure.

PRESIDENT DECLARED THE HEARING CLOSED:

COUNCIL ACTION:

Bement moved and Tinnin seconded the following motion:

RESOLUTION: APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE the Standard Resolution for Step V of the Burton City Demolition Procedure, determining said premises to be a public nuisance or hazard and to further require the owner(s) or occupant(s) to:

2. Alter by repair the structure to Burton City Code with a Building Permit within 60-days, have an inspection done by the Building Department and have ready for occupancy at the end of the 60-day period, or the Department of Public Works is hereby given the authority to demolish the structure(s) upon failure to comply with the Building Permit or Demolition Permit.

Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:13 P.M.

Cheryl M. Ladd, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

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