

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Building Inspection Ad-Hoc Committee
Held On Thursday, July 20, 2017 Pursuant to Notice Duly Given**

1. Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairperson Schreiber
2. Roll Call: Mayor Heier, Joe Last, John Reed, Al Schreiber, Bernie Faith, Kim Bronikowski, Mike Pecor, Sara Perrizo (also as recording secretary)
Excused: , Jeremy Wusterbarth
3. Approval of Agenda
Moved by Heier, seconded by Reed to approve the agenda as presented. M/C
4. Approval of Minutes from 6/15/17 Meeting
Moved by Reed, seconded by Last to approve the minutes as typed. 8 ayes
Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.
5. Correspondence/Public Appearances
None.
6. Discussion/Possible Recommendation on:
 - a. Allowing Tables on Main Street Sidewalks for Restaurants
Perrizo feels that this should be allowed as long as the tables are put away when the business is closed. Heier stated that there is a potential new business that wants to do this. Reed noted that the flower pots that are currently located on the sidewalk are approximately 3 feet in size.

Moved by Reed, seconded by Heier to allow tables to be placed on Main Street sidewalks for restaurant use.

Motion carried upon verbal voice vote. 8 ayes
 - b. Vacant Building Ordinance
This ordinance was distributed at the last meeting. Last explained that it will hold banks, mortgage companies, etc responsible for the maintenance of vacant properties that they own.

Moved by Perrizo, seconded by Bronikowski to approve the vacant building ordinance as proposed.

Motion carried upon verbal voice vote. 8 ayes
 - c. Temporary Car Ports
Last explained that there are a lot of questions about these. They are often used to cover cars during the winter months and the current ordinance allows one to be put up for a maximum of 180 days. Questions are: How do we define temporary?; Would a structure such as this be counted as an accessory building? Schreiber feels that 180 days is a reasonable way to define temporary. Last noted that a \$30 temporary structure permit would then be needed. Pecor stated that these types of structures are also often used in summer months for boats, campers, etc. In that case, they could be up for longer than 180 days. Faith opined that, in such cases, they structure should be determined to be permanent.

Last will research how other municipalities handle these and report back next month.

d. Ordinance 13-1-203 – Swimming Pools

Last explained that there are questions about temporary pools in the City. These pools are cheaper than permanent pools and are easy to set up and take down. The current ordinance requires a pool permit for all pools that are greater than 15 feet in size and 15 inches in depth. These pools are larger than that, but could still be considered temporary. Reed noted that an ordinance should be put into place to handle these types of pool for safety reasons. Bronikowski agrees.

Last will research how other municipalities handle these types of pools and report back next month.

e. Ordinance 13-1-200 – Accessory Building Height

Last explains that concerns have arisen regarding the height restrictions. There are small houses in the City and the current ordinance only allows for an accessory building to be as tall as the principal structure. Last feels as though it may have been a mistake to set the ordinance in this way. If we make one standard maximum height for all accessory buildings in the City, that would be fair and consistent. Perrizo opined that 21 feet would be a good maximum height. She also noted that the City is asking residents to keep things out of their yards and therefore we should allow them to build a structure that is large enough to store these items. Last noted that accessory buildings would still only be able to take up 30% or less of a yard. If we went with 21 feet as the maximum height, the wall height could be anything.

Moved by Perrizo, seconded by Bronikowski to set the maximum height of accessory buildings in residentially zoned districts at 21 feet.

Pecor questioned if 25 feet tall would allow for more uses. Schreiber feels that 21 feet is adequate and Last pointed out that the side walls can still be any height.

Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.

7 ayes, 1 nay (Pecor)

7. Adjourn

Moved by Faith, seconded by Heier to adjourn.

Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.

8 ayes

Meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Sara J. Perrizo, CPA
Administrator