Minutes of the Meeting of the Building Inspection Ad-Hoc Committee Held On Tuesday, January 30, 2018 Pursuant to Notice Duly Given

1. Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairperson Schreiber

2. Roll Call: Joe Last, Al Schreiber, Mike Rehberg, Jeremy Wusterbarth, John Reed, Ron Daul, Kim Bronikowski, Sara Perrizo (also as recording secretary)

Excused: Mayor Heier

Also Present: Attorney Calvert

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Reed, seconded by Bronkiowski to approve the agenda as presented.

M/C

4. Approval of Minutes from 10/24/17 Meeting

Moved by Wusterbarth, seconded by Daul to approve the minutes as typed. Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.

8 ayes

5. Correspondence/Public Appearances None.

- 6. Discussion/Possible Recommendation on:
 - a. Parking on Private Property

Schreiber stated that there has been an issue with parking on private property on Main Street. There is not much under the current ordinance that can be done. He would like an ordinance allowing the Police Department to issue a citation for this. Rehberg noted that the current ordinance does allow for towing, but the local towing company does not like to do that because it is bad for their business. Wusterbarth opined that if he were a business owner, he would put up signage indicating that parking is not allowed. Schreiber stated that signs have been put up in some places.

Calvert handed out an ordinance from the City of Green Bay and stated that it can be tailored to match what the committee wants. Wusterbarth noted that some of this problem can be solved if business owners educate their patrons. The consensus of the committee was that this issue will get better once the word is out that citations will be issued.

Moved by Perrizo, seconded by Wusterbarth to refer to Attorney Calvert to draft an ordinance allowing the police department to issue citations for vehicles parked on private property as long as signage is present.

Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.

8 ayes

b. Dilapidated Fences

Last handed out the current ordinance, which states that fences must be maintained and in good repair. Currently there are 17 fences in disrepair around the City. Reed noted that the current ordinance allows for enforcement of repairs, so this goes back to educating the citizens. Last will place an article in the newspaper and send letters to the owners of dilapidated fences, giving them time to repair them.

c. Metal Storage Containers Used as Homes Last noted that there is a trend across the country of people using containers that were used to ship goods across the ocean as homes. These containers still have to meet all UDC requirements and all ordinances to be allowed as homes. Schreiber questioned who would control the aesthetics of these containers. Wusterbarth and Perrizo stated that, as long as these containers meet all codes and ordinances, there may not be a problem with them.

Moved by Wusterbarth, seconded by Perrizo to refer to Last and Calvert to come up with an aesthetics clause for containers used as homes.

Daul feels that this is opening a can of worms. Wusterbarth wondered why an individual wouldn't just build a small home instead of using a metal container. Reed noted that a home has to be at least 800 square feet in size per our ordinance. Reed also stated that these units would be very difficult in which to fight a fire should one occur.

Motion withdrawn.

Moved by Wusterbarth, seconded by Reed to disallow the use of shipping containers as homes in the City of Oconto.

Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.

8 ayes

Last will work with Calvert to update our ordinances to reflect this.

7. Adjourn @9:09 a.m.

Moved by Perrizo, seconded by Bronikowski to adjourn. Motion carried upon verbal voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 9:09 a.m.

8 ayes

Respectfully Submitted: Sara J. Perrizo, CPA Administrator