

Draft Minutes
CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD
August 25, 2015
6:00 p.m.

Code Enforcement Board Members Present:

Charlie Leonard, Chair
Robert Rotondo, Vice Chair
Shelley Hamilton
Sharon Tarman
Robert Westbrook

Code Enforcement Board Members Absent:

Rose Quin-Bare

Staff and Others Present:

Kathy Riley, Code Enforcement Officer
Joe Fenton, Code Enforcement Officer
Debra Woithe, Code Enforcement Supervisor
Kelly Fernandez, Code Enforcement Board Attorney
Deanna Roberts, Clerk of the Board

Mr. Leonard called the August 25, 2015 meeting of the Code Enforcement Board to order at 6:00 p.m. A moment of silence was observed, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called. Rose-Quin Bare was absent from the meeting.

All persons wishing to speak or testify before the Board were duly sworn.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Sharon Tarman moved, Shelley Hamilton seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to approve the August 25, 2015 Agenda.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes: April 28, 2015

MOTION: Shelley Hamilton moved, Sharon Tarman seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to approve the August 25, 2015 Consent Agenda.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Case No. 15-01
Stephen Johnson
1413 6th Street West
Palmetto, Florida 34221

Violation Location: 1413 6th Street West, Palmetto, Florida
Codes Violated: Palmetto Code of Ordinances, Chapter 16, Health and Sanitation, Article II Nuisances, Section 16-26, Section 16-26 (2), 16-26 (3), 16-26 (12) and Section 16-27(a), (b), & (c); Chapter 17 Housing, Article II, Housing Standards, Section 17-28; Chapter 18 Junked, Wrecked, Abandoned, or Vacant Property, Article I In General, Section 18-1; 18.26(a) Maintenance requirements; Palmetto Property Maintenance Code; Section 301.2 Responsibility,

302.1 Sanitation, 302.5 Rodent Harborage, 302.8 Motor Vehicles, 308.1 Accumulation of Rubbish:

Mr. Leonard opened the public hearing.

Code Enforcement Officer Kathy Riley presented a history of the case. She informed the Board that the initial visit of the property on April 18 revealed an accumulation of junk, building materials and debris in the front yard. A Notice of Opportunity was left at the home. A subsequent visit on April 29 revealed some cleanup had occurred, but it appeared that some items had been moved to the side yard. On May 6, 2015, a Notice of Violation was sent to Mr. Johnson. On June 8 she met with the Respondent at his property and explained to him what he would need to do to bring the property into compliance.

Site visits on June 25 and June 30, 2015 revealed some progress, but the property still was not in compliance. A site visit on July 24, 2015 revealed that, again, items were moved to the side yard.

Mr. Johnson asked to meet again and she met with him on site on August 24, 2015.

Mrs. Riley informed the Board that Mr. Johnson has been cooperative and accommodating. Based on his efforts, and due to the fact that he is almost in compliance, she asked the Board to continue this case to the September 29, 2015 meeting. She will make her recommendations at that time.

MOTION: Sharon Tarman moved, Robert Rotondo seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to continue this case (Case No. 15-01) to the September 29, 2015 Code Enforcement Board hearing.

4. OLD BUSINESS

Shelley Hamilton asked if members can drive by properties that will be presented to the Board. Attorney Fernandez said they can, but they are asked to disclose that they have done so at the start of the meeting.

5. NEW BUSINESS

None

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Minutes approved:

Charles W. Leonard, Chair