

CITY OF EAST CHICAGO  
BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

BOARD MEMBERS

Milton Reed, President  
Richard Trembczynski, Vice President  
Thomas Davis, Member

Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, April 10, 2019 @ 5:30 p.m.

Reported for Fissinger & Associates  
By: Lisa Pena

Call to Order: 5:38 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call: Present: Milton Reed, Richard Trembczynski,  
Thomas Davis.

Approval of Minutes: March 13, 2019.

Motion to approve March 13, 2019 Minutes made by Richard  
Trembczynski. Second by Thomas Davis.

Questions/Comments: None.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.  
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

Correspondence: None.

New Business:

MR. REED: New Business, Fire Department reports from  
March 2019. Are there any questions or comments for our  
Chief?

Motion to approve March 2019 Fire Department Reports made by  
Thomas Davis. Second by Richard Trembczynski.

Questions/Comments: None.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.  
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

MR. SERNA: Thank you, Board Members.

1 MR. REED: Thank you for coming out for the just in  
2 case.

3 There's Resolution 2019-06 and Release of Lien for  
4 4925 Homerlee Avenue.

5 Motion to approve Resolution 2019-06 and Release of Lien for  
6 4925 Homerlee Avenue made by Richard Trembczynski. Second by  
7 Thomas Davis.

8 Questions/Comments: None.

9 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.  
10 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

11 MR. REED: We have four Demolition Orders. And I see  
12 that there is no one here to speak on these.

13 MS. KANTAR: Good afternoon, Mr. President. There are  
14 four properties. And they were all properly noticed. If you  
15 want I can just run through them orally.

16 4842 Alexander, it's a vacant boarded up frame  
17 house. Missing siding, failing roof, collapsed rear porch.

18 4742 McCook, vacant boarded up brick house. Failed  
19 porch, failed roof, missing siding. It seems that there was  
20 a fire there.

21 4840 McCook, the photos show a frame house boarded  
22 up with broke windows. Debris in the yard and a garage with  
23 a failed roof and doors. It's filled with debris.

24 4002 Parrish, it's a brick commercial property. It  
25 looks like an old tavern. And the bricks are starting to  
fall to the point where the sidewalk has to be blocked. The  
doors are boarded up. And the foundation and the chimney are  
failing. And there's graffiti on the side.

All these owners were notified according to Indiana  
Code and nobody appears. I have prepared orders for each of  
the properties. And I would ask the Board to please approve.  
And I'm sure the Building Commissioner has some input on  
these.

MR. PORTALATIN: James Portalatin, East Chicago Building  
Commissioner. These properties, we have received  
certificates on these properties. And we intend to demolish  
these properties using the Hardest Hit Funds.

1           In order to do so we would need the Demo Orders.  
2           And that way I can conduct the inspections on these  
3           properties right now until we actually obtain the quitclaim  
4           deed in October.

5           Motion to accept Building Commissioner's Recommendation to  
6           enter Demolition Orders made by Thomas Davis. Second by  
7           Richard Trembczynski.

8           Questions/Comments: None.

9           Roll Call: "All in Favor": All           Abstain: None.  
10          Opposed: None                   Motion Carries.

11          MR. REED: Thank you, sir.

12          MR. PORTALATIN: Thank you.

13          Old Business: None.

14          Other/Audience Participation: None.

15          \* Next Regular Meeting Date: Wednesday, April 24, 2019  
16          @ 5:30 p.m.

17          Motion to adjourn made by Richard Trembczynski. Second by  
18          Thomas Davis.

19          Roll Call: "All in Favor": All           Abstain: None.  
20          Opposed: None                   Motion Carries.

21          \* Meeting ended at 5:43 p.m.

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1 Approval of the Meeting Minutes of  
2 Wednesday, April 10, 2019  
3 Approved and Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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6 Milton Reed, President

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9 Richard Trembczynski, Vice President

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13 Thomas Davis, Member

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16 Olga Cosme, Board Secretary

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2 C E R T I F I C A T E

3 I, Lisa Pena, a competent and duly qualified  
4 court reporter, do hereby certify that I did report in  
5 machine shorthand the foregoing proceedings and that my  
6 shorthand notes so taken at said time and place were  
7 thereafter reduced to typewriting under my personal  
8 direction.

9 I further certify that the foregoing  
10 typewritten transcript constitutes minutes of said  
11 proceedings taken at said time and place, so ordered to  
12 be transcribed.

13 Dated at Portage, Indiana, this 22nd day of  
14 April, 2019.

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23 Lisa Pena  
24 Notary Public Porter County  
25 Certified Shorthand Reporter  
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