

CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

BOARD MEMBERS

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

Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 18, 2020 @ 5:30 p.m.

Reported for Fissinger & Associates
By: Lisa Pena

CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL: Present: Milton Reed, Richard Trembczynski,
Thomas Davis.

MINUTES: Regular Meeting October 28, 2020

Motion to approve October 28, 2020 Meeting 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, Resolution 2020-30, 4944
Alexander and Release of Lien and also to Rescind the Order
to Demolish.

Motion to approve Resolution 2020-30, Release of Lien and
Rescind Order to Demolish made by Richard Trembczynski.
Second by Thomas Davis.

Questions/Comments: None.

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

1 MR. REED: We will now entertain a motion for Resolution
2 2020-31, 4731 Alexander and Release of Lien and Rescind the
3 Order to Demolish.

4 Motion to approve Resolution 2020-31, Release of Lien and
5 Rescind Order to Demolish made by Richard Trembczynski.
6 Second by Thomas Davis.

7 Questions/Comments: None.

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

10 MR. REED: Now we will entertain Resolution 2020-32,
11 4224 Wegg and Release of Lien.

12 Motion to approve Resolution 2020-32 and Release of Lien made
13 by Richard Trembczynski. Second by Thomas Davis.

14 Questions/Comments: None.

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

17 MR. REED: We will now entertain a motion to accept and
18 approve the Fire Department Reports from October of 2020.

19 Motion to approve Fire Department October 2020 Reports made
20 by Thomas Davis. Second by Richard Trembczynski.

21 Questions/Comments: None.

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

24 MR. REED: We now have status updates for five
25 properties. James, would the Building Department like to
make a report?

For the record we have Kevin Smith here via Zoom.

MR. PORTALATIN: James Portalatin, East Chicago Building
Commissioner. Kevin as well on the conference call here.

This property by the way, the first one, the status
on the agenda, I don't know if you have that as 3737 McCook?

MR. REED: Yes, I do.

1 MR. PORTALATIN: I believe that is 4737 McCook.

2 MR. REED: Okay.

3 MR. PORTALATIN: Yes. 4737 McCook.

4 MR. REED: Okay.

5 MR. PORTALATIN: No work has been done on this property.
6 As a result I would request that the Demo Order be signed.

7 For 4812 McCook Avenue, siding, permit has been
8 issued. Siding is being installed. I request that that be
9 set for status for January.

10 What was that date, Kevin?

11 MR. SMITH: 27th I believe.

12 MR. PORTALATIN: January 27.

13 MR. REED: Is that right, Olga?

14 MS. COSME: Yes.

15 MR. REED: Thank you.

16 MR. PORTALATIN: 4855 McCook Avenue, garage, also no
17 work has been done. So we request that the Demo Order be
18 issued.

19 5019 Melville, no work has been done. And I would
20 also request that a Demo Order be issued along with 5024
21 Melville. No work has been done. We request that a Demo
22 Order be issued as well.

23 MR. REED: Thank you for that report. Is there a motion
24 to accept the recommendations of the Building Department for
25 the properties in front of us?

26 Motion to approve Building Department's Status Properties
27 Recommendations made by Richard Trembczynski. Second by
28 Thomas Davis.

29 Questions/Comments: None.

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

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1 MR. PORTALATIN: Thank you.

2 MR. SMITH: Mr. President.

3 MR. REED: Yes, sir.

4 MR. SMITH: Can I just add to the record that the Board
5 was originally, these properties were originally before the
6 Board on September 23 of 2020.

7 At that time the Building Commissioner as the
8 enforcement authority I think probably through myself as the
9 attorney for the Building Commissioner presented the Board
10 with a packet of materials that included photographs of the
11 properties that showed the condition of the properties and
12 the rationale for why they were requesting the relief that
13 you granted tonight.

14 At that time we requested a status date to allow
15 the owners time to correct the matters, but did not waive any
16 of the original relief which is to affirm the Demolition
17 Order which you just did by your action.

18 I just wanted to make sure that the record
19 reflected that you were presented and reviewed the
20 photographs and the condition of the properties at that time
21 in September.

22 MR. REED: Yes. Thank you for that point. We
23 appreciate it, Kevin.

24 MR. SMITH: You're welcome.

25 OTHER/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None.

* Next Regular Meeting Date: Wednesday, December
9, 2020 @ 5:30 p.m.

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

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

* Meeting ended at 5:40 p.m.

1 Approval of the Meeting Minutes of
2 Wednesday, November 18, 2020

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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12 Thomas Davis, Member

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15 Olga Cosme, Board Secretary

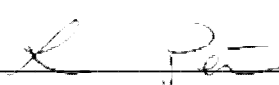
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C E R T I F I C A T E

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

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

Dated at Portage, Indiana, this 24th day of November, 2020.



Lisa Pena
Notary Public Porter County
Certified Shorthand Reporter
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