

**CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 07, 2022
City Council Chambers**

CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Richard J. Brown, Chief Building Official
Jeffrey Caggiano, Mayor
Robert Osborne, Lieutenant BPD
Jeffrey Steeg, Corporation Counsel
Robert Longo, Water Department (Zoom)
Raymond Rogozinski, Public Works

Also in Attendance: Thomas DeNoto, Assessors Office (Zoom)
Erica Mikulak, Bristol-Burlington Health District
Noelle Bates, Corporation Counsel (Zoom)
Aubrey Minkler, Community Services
Stephen Bynum, Bristol Youth Services
John Anioloski, BHA
Jennifer Cole, Tax Department (Zoom)
David Habersfeld, Public
Marco Palmeri, Bristol-Burlington Health Department (Zoom)
Lindsey Rivers, Public Works.
Sue Tyler, City Council
Carrie Tedd, Bristol Senior Center

Absent Michael Yacovino, Fire Prevention Inspector
Edward Spyros, Zoning Enforcement Officer

ITEM 1. Call to Order and Introductions

Mayor Jeffrey Caggiano called to order the Wednesday, December 07, 2022, Code Enforcement Committee Meeting at 9:00 AM in the City Hall West Facility Meeting Room 1

ITEM 2. Approval of November 02, 2022 Minutes

It was MOVED by Commissioner Ray Rogozinski and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Lt. Robert Osborne to approve the meeting minutes from November 02, 2022
All in favor, the **Motion passed**.

Voted: Unanimously Approved

ITEM 3. Public Participation

None

ITEM 4. New Business

80 George St. – Richard Brown, BBD. This property has some issues on the interior and sanitary conditions on the exterior, as well as structural on the front porch. A Violation letter order was sent on 09/22/22 and a Citation ticket on 11/15/22. Currently working on the corrections of the front porch Ongoing/Nuisance.

66 Emmett St. Unit 50. Richard Brown, BBD. Received a complaint regarding a roof being installed, and potential water damage inside. A site visit to acknowledge the violations was done on 11/18/22. A Violation letter was sent on 11/21/22. The owner pulled a permit on 11/28/22. Closed.

510 Matthew St. Richard Brown, BBD. On 11/17/22 a fire occurred in the rear yard on an illegal structure. A permit was pulled two years ago which was denied. A letter was sent on 11/23/22 condemning the greenhouse, also an illegal solar setup was discovered at the time of the site visit. Several batteries were observed inside the garage making it a potential bomb and the electrical work in the garage was also condemned. Ongoing/Nuisance.

69 Lawndale Ave. Richard Brown, BBD. A letter went out on 10/25/22 and also a Citation Ticket was given in October for exterior code enforcement violations. Also, a letter was sent to request pricing for the removal of a 4-car detached garage. We have received quotes and will be awarding and sending letters next week. Ongoing/Nuisance

243 Fern Hill Rd. Richard Brown, BBD. This is a recurrent property, a year ago had some issues and this year a group inspection was done, this year a violation order was sent on 10/27/22 with the same violations items from a year ago including, an excess amount of dog feces in the back deck, gutters falling off, tarps on the back yard, a swimming pool that is not cover or is proper fence/gate. A Citation ticket was sent on 11/29/22. Ongoing/Nuisance

181 Sherbrooke St. Richard Brown, BBD. The units were built in 1984. They were repaired in 1995. A recent site visit on 11/28/22 revealed the decks required maintenance. A maintenance letter was sent requesting the repair of the decks. No proper attachment of the ledger to the structure itself, also rotten out or rusting joist hangers. Closed.

200 Prospect St. Richard Brown, BBD. This is an ongoing property with several violations. A 1st letter was sent on 07/21/22, and a second notice was sent on 10/17/22. We met with the owner on a group inspection on 11/30/22 and a compliance letter will be sent stating what was agreed to be fixed. Ongoing/Nuisance.

81 Wolcott St. Richard Brown, BBD. A 1st letter Notice went out on 06/14/22. And a 2nd Notice letter was sent on 10/18/22 and a Citation Ticket was sent on 11/21/22. Ongoing/Nuisance

112 Mount View St. Raymond Rogozinski, Public Works. The property owner is not maintaining the yard with overgrown vegetation claiming is the city right away. This has been discussed with the Corp council. The suggestion is to send a roadside mower. The Property owner has in the past vandalized one of the public works vehicles and was arrested by BPD Bristol Public works and was notified by Corp. Council about this ongoing issue. Jeff Steeg, Corp Corp. mentioned that a Citation ticket was issued by BBD, one for an unregistered vehicle and one for tall grass. The Tallgrass Citation ticket was waived because of the unidentified responsible for cutting the vegetation. Ongoing/Nuisance

28 Landry St. Thomas DeNoto. Assessor's Office. After a recent hearing with an investor, a question was raised whether any other committee members have any complaints regarding this property. The owner has several other properties and keeps them all in good conditions. Richard Brown, BBD. A letter was sent regarding cutting the vegetation. The owner has corrected most of the code violations mentioned in the letter. He is currently repairing the front porch steps. Ongoing/Nuisance.

ITEM 5. Discussion of properties of interest concern to Committee Members

None.

193 Woodland St. Thomas DeNoto. Assessor's Office. A Project that began in 2017, and the owner just completed the work. The property is now in pristine condition. A motion was made to tax freeze on this property by Commissioner Raymond Rogozinski and seconded by Commissioner Lt. Robert Osborne, Lieutenant BPD. Motion Carries.

ITEM 6. Old Business

224 North Main St. Richard Brown, BBD. Complaint received for lack of proper identification of handicap parking, Lt. Osborn and the Police Department took care of this issue. Closed.

56 Park St. Richard Brown, BBD. Currently, awaiting the court order to allow the owner to occupy the property after being condemned last month to a group inspection. The third floor was condemned Ongoing/Nuisance

131 Gridley St. Richard Brown, BBD. On 12/5/22 was the last contact we had with the property management company that is going to take over for Castleford Management company and will correct a lot of the code enforcement violations. The property management company is credible.

Jeff Steeg, Corp Council. Stated Mr. Lence passed away and the property was empty, with a boat on the driveway, and a car, the house is currently in disrepair. An application to open up a State was made and Attorney Mark Milley was appointed as the administrator. The property is currently in foreclosure but does have equity. The house will likely be sold. BBD has requested to address the retaining wall in the sidewalk that is crumbling and dangerous to pedestrians and condemned the garage in the back that is falling apart. It was clarified to the Mayor's question that whoever buys the property also will be responsible for any current violations. Ongoing/Nuisance

45 Grassy Rd. Richard Brown, BBD. This is a blight condition. Ed Spyros, the Zoning official, and BBD have been in contact with the owner. They are in the process of cleaning up. Ongoing/Nuisance

330 East Rd. Richard Brown, BBD. The same owner of 83 Gridley. Letters and Citation Tickets have been sent to the property management and they are in the process of fixing the violations. Erica Mikulak, Bristol-Burlington Health District, The health department has been issued a warning letter and a Citation Ticket, They are in the process of fixing the violation on the 1st and 2nd floor. There was a bulk pick up that was successfully picked up on 12/6/22 and right now they are working on fixing the exterior items. Interior repairs are scheduled for next week. Ongoing/Nuisance

28 Daley St. Richard Brown, BBD. This complaint was brought up by City Council Sue Tyler regarding blight, trash, raccoon, falling trees, etc. Sue Tyler, City Council, Just shared the information regarding this property and the complainer's information on 12/7/22. Ongoing/Nuisance

6 Jamesdrew Ln. Richard Brown, BBD. Unregistered vehicles, a food truck in the driveway, blight. Sue Tyler, City Council, Just shared the information regarding this property and the complainer's information on 12/7/22. Ongoing/Nuisance

74 Locust. Richard Brown, BBD. A letter went out on 09/22/22 and a follow-up visit along with the Citation Ticket on 11/16/22 for code enforcement issues inside and outside. Ongoing/Nuisance

369 Park St. Richard Brown, BBD. Illegal use of 4 family home, in a 3-family dwelling. Also, have some code enforcement issues with the discovery of an illegal bedroom in the basement. A group inspection was done on 12/5/22 to verify the tenant was out on the 2nd floor west. The Owner, along with Health and Fire Dept. is still in the courts. The second-floor tenant has been removed. In the process of cleaning it out. Also in the process of having the 1st-floor tenant evicted. Ongoing/Nuisance

81 North Main St. Richard Brown, BBD, There has been no contact since an email that was sent on 11/21/22 requesting to apply for a permit to correct said violations addressed respecting the boarding house above the Sabadee Restaurant. A Violation letter will be sent in the next coming week. Ongoing/Nuisance

362 Shrub Rd. – Erica Mikulak, Bristol-Burlington Health District. No additional complaints have been received. The property owner has been cleaning up the yard. Ongoing/Nuisance

31 Balsam Rd. Richard Brown, BBD. A drive-by on 11/29 and observed no violations. Ongoing/Nuisance.

83 Gridley St. Richard Brown, BBD. The third property is being managed by Castleford properties. The BFD called reporting a water leak on the second floor leaking onto the 1st floor. Ongoing/Nuisance.

ITEM 7. To Adjourn

It was MOVED by Commissioner, and seconded by Lt. Robert Osborne to adjourn the Code Enforcement Meeting at 9:50 am and it was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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Senior Administrative Assistant/Code Enforcement