

MINUTES OF HOUSING BOARD OF APPEALS

DATE: January 21, 2020
TIME: 4:30 p.m.
PLACE: Ann Michalski Conference Room, Historic Federal Building

Chairperson David Young called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. following staff assurance of compliance with Iowa Open Meeting Law.

Board Members Present: Gil Spence Mary Gotz Ron White
 David Young Christoffer Lammer-Heindel

Housing Staff Present: Ben Pothoff Tami Ernster Alex Rogan
 Ted Krapfl Alexis Steger

Public Present: Wayne Welter

Review and Certification of Minutes of December 17, 2020 Housing Board of Appeals Meeting

Gil Spence motioned to accept the minutes. Christoffer Lammer-Heindel seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Correspondence/Public Input

There was no correspondence or public input.

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda items are considered to be routine and non-controversial and all consent items will be normally voted upon in a single motion without any separate discussion on a particular item.

There were no consent agenda items.

Old Business

Ben Pothoff stated there was not any significant updates related to past appeals.

Ben Pothoff updated the status of priority category inspections.

New Business

Chairperson Young asked for anyone speaking to the on the following cases to rise and take an oath.

The hearing process was discussed and Gil requested that it be updated to allow 10 minutes for appellant rebuttal. This process will be followed for all hearings brought before the Board. Gil Spence moved to approve the rule change as proposed. Christoffer Lammer-Heindel seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

As the owner appellant for cases 1 and 2 was not present David Young moved that the agenda be amended to bring case 3 up to first. Ron White seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

CASE #3

Wayne Welter is requesting an extension of time for 1110 Althausen Street until October 1, 2020. Original inspection dated November 12, 2019. Board extension allowable: August 12,

2020. Mr. Welter explained that all work would be accomplished before the next scheduled inspection date but that he needed assistance from his son to help rebuild the wall, and he was concerned about trying to get it all accomplished before August 12, 2020. Ben Pothoff explained that if the board granted the extension until August, the inspector would reinspect after the extended deadline and if the inspector verified that there was significant progress, the inspector would consult with the Code Official to consider if additional time should be granted. Dave Young motioned to grant an extension for the wall to August 12, 2020. Ron White seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

CASE #1

Ted Stackis for McStac Properties, is requesting an extension of time for 1900 White Street until May 1, 2020. Owner was not present to discuss his request. He started the appeal process before receiving the violation list. Gil Spence motioned to deny the extension because it was not warranted. Christoffer Lammer-Heindel seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

CASE #2

Ted Stackis is requesting an extension of time for 2776 Jackson Street due to lack of funding to make repairs. Original notice of violation dated January 7, 2020. Owner was not present to discuss his request. It was noted that the property owner appealed for an extension without first consulting with the inspector or attempting to make any of the needed repairs. David Young motioned to deny the extension. Christoffer Lammer-Heindel seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Information Sharing

Ben Pothoff noted that the nominations and elections of a Board Chair and Vice Chairperson will be conducted at the next scheduled meeting.

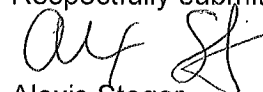
Adjournment

David Young moved to adjourn the meeting. Christoffer Lammer-Heindel seconded. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Minutes prepared by:

Tami Ernster
Permit Clerk

Respectfully submitted:


Alexis Steger
Housing and Community Development Director