

**HOUSING BOARD OF APPEALS MINUTES
APRIL 16, 2008**

**CITY HALL
10 N. DIVISION STREET
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
3RD FLOOR – ROOM 311
BATTLE CREEK, MICHIGAN**

CALL TO ORDER: Carlyle Sims, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carlyle Sims, Jim Bauer, Frank Ballard (entered meeting at 1:35 p.m.), Jackie Braman and Denise McCoy

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Eric Campbell, Code Officer, Jon Presecan, Code Officer, Jason Francisco, Code Officer Dennis McKinley, Code Compliance Administrator, Susan Bedsole, Ralph Britton, Fire Inspector and Sandra Gray, Secretary

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Carlyle Sims, Chairman, asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. Sandra Gray, Secretary, stated there were none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Denise McCoy, supported by Jackie Braman to approve the March 19, 2008 Minutes. All yes. Motion carried.

DANGEROUS BUILDINGS SHOW-CAUSE HEARINGS:

8 Hancock Court (House): Catina Jackson, property owner, was not present.

A motion was made by Jackie Braman, supported by Jim Bauer affirm the order due to the non appearance of the property owner. All yes. Motion carried. **Note: Frank Ballard did not vote on this property, entered meeting at 1:35 p.m.**

43 N. Union Street (House): Emma Suarez, property owner, was present.

Emma Suarez stated that she has agreed to let Habitat for Humanity remove salvageable items from the house prior to it being demolished. Once they have done that a she has secured a demolition contractor, the house will be demolished.

Jon Presecan, Code Officer, recommended that the order be affirmed and the Code Department will work with Ms. Suarez on this issue.

Dennis McKinley, Code Compliance Administrator, replied that he agrees with the recommendation.

A motion was made by Jim Bauer, supported by Frank Ballard to affirm the order due to the recommendation of the code officer. All yes. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

95 Baldwin Avenue: Walter Banks, property owner, was not present.

A motion was made by Jim Bauer, supported by Jackie Braman to deny the appeal due to the non-appearance of the property owner. All yes. Motion carried.

59 Miller Avenue: Raymond Dawson, ETAL, property owner, was present.

A motion was made by Jackie Braman, supported by Denise McCoy to deny the appeal due to the non-appearance of the property owner. All yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

BOARD AND STAFF COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Sims adjourned the meeting at 1:53 p.m.

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