

**HOUSING BOARD OF APPEALS MINUTES
May 21, 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, Jackie Braman and Denise McCoy

MEMBERS ABSENT: Frank Ballard and Jim Bauer

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Eric Campbell, Code Officer, Jason Francisco, Code Officer, Doug Davis, Code Officer, Jon Presecan, Code Officer, Wayne Proudfit, Code Officer, Dennis McKinley, Code Compliance Administrator, Susan Bedsole, Director of Licensing and Compliance, Kim Tuck, Inspection Superintendent 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 that 51 Central Street has complied. 31 Windsor Ter has been removed and will be placed on next month's agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Denise McCoy, supported by Jackie Braman to approve the April 16, 2008 Minutes. All yes. Motion carried.

DANGEROUS BUILDINGS SHOW-CAUSE HEARINGS:

132 S. 28th Street (House): Eugene LeClear, property owner, was not present.

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

144 Battle Creek Avenue (House): James Neault, property owner, was not present.

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

411-415 Capital Avenue NE (Commercial Structure): Mildred and Henry Mallard, property owners, were present.

Carlyle Sims asked the Mallard's what their action plan was for the property.

Mildred Mallard stated that until the insurance issue is settled, they could not give the Board a plan of action.

A motion was made by Jackie Braman, supported by Denise McCoy to affirm the order. All yes Motion Carried.

Note: The Board felt that by affirming the order it might help the insurance company move faster in settling the claim.

46 First Street (House): Howard Winnie, property owner, was not present.

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

111 Marjorie Street (House): Jennifer Stetson, property owner, was present.

Carlyle Sims asked for the property owner's action plan.

Scott Paige stated he is Jennifer Stetson's boyfriend and their plan is to rehab the house but they are still waiting on the insurance company to settle the claim. The insurance company is not willing to pay what the house is worth and that is the hold up.

A motion was made by Denise McCoy, supported by Jackie Braman to affirm the order. All yes. Motion carried.

Note: The Board felt that by affirming the order it might help the insurance company move faster in settling the claim.

558 W. Van Buren Street (House & Attached Garage): Charlie Lee Tidwell Estate, property owner, was not present.

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

117 Yale Street (House): Stephen Dempsey, representative, was not present.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

51 Central Street: COMPLIED – REMOVED FROM AGENDA.

234 E. VanBuren Street: Parrish & Katherine Smith, property owners, were not 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.

NEW BUSINESS:

937 W. Michigan Avenue: Jeana Thurman, property owner, was present.

A motion was made by Jackie Braman, supported by Denise McCoy to grant a (60) sixty-day extension. All yes. Motion carried.

943 W. Michigan Avenue: Jeana Thurman, property owner, was present.

A motion was made by Jackie Braman, supported by Denise McCoy to grant a (60) sixty-day extension. All yes. Motion carried.

291 Champion Street: REMOVED FROM AGENDA–CAA SCHEDULED TO MAKE REPAIRS.

42 Gardenia Street: Anthony Haynes, property owner, was not present.

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

336 Howland Street: REMOVED FROM AGENDA–CAA SCHEDULED TO MAKE REPAIRS.

73 Walter Avenue: Calvin Wyrick, property owner, was present.

A motion was made by Denise McCoy, supported by Jackie Braman to grant a (90) ninety-day extension. All yes. Motion carried.

31 Windsor Terrace: RESCHEDULED FOR NEXT MONTH'S MEETING.

27 Allison Drive: Donald Monarch, property owner, was present.

A motion was made by Denise McCoy, supported by Jackie Braman to grant a (60) sixty-day extension. All yes. Motion carried.

948 W. Michigan Avenue: Rose Cowles, property owner, was present.

A motion was made by Denise McCoy, supported by Jackie Braman to grant a (60) sixty-day extension. All yes. Motion carried.

1609 W. Michigan Avenue: Brad Busick, property owner, was present.

A motion was made by Jackie Braman, supported by Denise McCoy to grant a (60) sixty-day extension. All yes. Motion carried.

36 Myrtle Avenue: Kenneth & Peggy McDaniel, property owners, were not present.

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

91 E. Willard Avenue: Windy S. St. John, property owner, was not present.

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

64 Harris Avenue: Steven Smith, property owner, was present.

A motion was made by Denise McCoy, supported by Jackie Braman to grant a (60) sixty-day extension. All yes. Motion carried.

187 Harris Avenue: Donna Bishop, 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.

144 N. LaVista Blvd.: **COMPLIED – REMOVED FROM AGENDA.**

34 Meachem Avenue: Leoma E. Haley, property owner, was not 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 3:00 p.m.

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