

Cuyahoga Falls City Council
Minutes of the Community Development Committee Meeting
November 21, 2011

Members: Jerry James, Chair
Vince Rubino
Mary Ellen Pyke

Mr. Rubino called the meeting to order at 7:55 p.m. Mr. James was absent.

The minutes from the November 7, 2011 Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

Legislation Considered

Temp. Ord. B-120

Discussion:

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An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the demolition of buildings and removal of demolition debris at various locations in the City, and certifying the cost thereof to the County Fiscal Officer for collection in the manner provided by law, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Demasi stated the Community Development Department has been working on these homeowners to get them to make repairs or demolish the buildings. The first property is located at 2142 6th Street. The foundation was leaning and beams were rotting. A condemnation order was sent on October 7, 2011, which gave the property owner 30 days to either fix the problems or demolish the home. The property owner is currently in the process of removing her personal effects. The second home is located at 801 Tallmadge Road. When they inspected it, they found the walls and floor collapsed, there were holes in the roof and there was also mold. A condemnation notice was issued on October 7, and the property owner requested the City to proceed with demolition. The third house is at 2136 Third Street. An inspection showed that the foundation walls were leaning. The City is asking for authorization to proceed with demolition. Mrs. Hummel stated this is not something anyone likes to do, however, based on the description that was given of the properties, it is certainly necessary. It is important to maintain the quality of neighborhoods. The City cannot allow neighborhoods to deteriorate.

Mrs. Pyke moved to bring out B-120 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Rubino. Motion passed (2-0).

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.