

CODE COMMITTEE

City of Port Jervis

Common Council Chambers

Minutes - Wednesday, December 3rd, 2014 - 7:00pm

Stanley Siegel
Committee Chairman

David Rivera
Building Official

Laurie Powrie
Asst. Building Official

Committee Members

David Bavoso
Carl Hendrick
Gerald Oney Jr.

Michael Reilly
Fire Inspector

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Stan Siegel, David Bavoso, George Belcher, Carl Hendrick, David Rivera, Laurie Powrie

Public Comment:

Reading/Approval of the Minutes: November 5, 2014 Minutes

Fire Inspectors Report – Submitted separately.

Building Officials Report

Building Department Monthly Report

UPDATES ON FOLLOWING LOCATIONS REPORTED LAST MONTH

- a. 100 Pike Street - (Rite Aid Plaza) - Partial Demolition started. A/C on roof is next. Awaiting asbestos removal application.
- b. 4 Gordon Street – Awaiting permits.
- c. 131 Hammond Street - No activity.
- d. 291 East Main Street - (Mad Dog Liquors) Framed and closed in.
- e. 29 Front Street - (Ruby Group) Requesting another extension by Planning Board of 6 months.
- f. 92 Front Street - Inspection done 12/2/14.
- g. Ming Moon - MHE review in progress.

New projects:

- h. Styles Barber Shop -
- i. Hair Salon -

Old Business:

1. Dumpsters: Must be closed ~~and locked at all times~~. - **Revise 457-10 Sub 1 a.**- wording to accommodate.

§ 457-10 Receptacle specifications.

- A. All refuse and garbage shall be stored and placed in watertight metal or plastic receptacles having handles and covers. Receptacles shall have a capacity of not less than 10 gallons nor more than 35 gallons.
- B. The City shall not be liable for any damage caused to a plastic receptacle by cold weather.
- C. Any liner used in a receptacle must be biodegradable.
- D. Paper bags or boxes are not acceptable and will not be collected.
- E. The property owner is responsible for providing acceptable receptacles for each living unit on his or her property.

2. ~~A time frame for tarps on the roof.~~ – Already in **Chapter 319** with a 90 day limit. **REMOVE** from Agenda.
3. All new curb cuts must be done properly and driveway surfaces must be an impervious surface like blacktop, asphalt, concrete, brick, paver stone, etc. - **Suggested that we impose a 90 limit.**
4. All utilities underground in the City of Port Jervis by January 2040 (25 years). All new services or replacement services for Commercial or Residents must be run underground. - For all new projects, we would like it made a Planning Board requirement.

New Business:

1. Code changes to encourage business growth in the city. - **Being reviewed.**
2. Look at changing the City Charter to allow for the election of all city judges. - **Being reviewed.**
3. Look at changing the City Charter to allow for taxpayers with a lien to be able to buy it back until the tax sale. **Get input from PJ City Clerk and Corporation Counsel.**
4. Consider allowing 2 family dwellings, if owner occupied, if the building lost its multiple family status. **There was concern as to how to address if they don't move in to the 2nd unit.**
5. Code change that allows for a % of home sales to go toward a fund for city needs like parks, etc. **(Suggested a Recreation Fee)**
6. ~~Tenant/Landlord/Codes fee.~~ **Suggested a more aggressive enforcement instead.**

Public Comment: About Topics Covered in Tonight's Meeting

Next Scheduled Code Meeting: **January 7, 2015 @ 7:00 pm - Council Chambers**

Adjournment: **8:35pm**