

CODE COMMITTEE
City of Port Jervis
Common Council Chambers
Minutes - Wednesday, November 4, 2015 - 7:04pm

Stanley Siegel
Committee Chairman

David Rivera
Building Official

Laurie Powrie
Asst. Building Official

Committee Members
David Bavoso
Carl Hendrick
Gerald Oney Jr.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call: Stan Siegel - David Rivera – David Bavoso– George Belcher

Public Comment: NONE

Building Officials Report :

Building Department Monthly Report

29	Building Permits
3	Demolition Permits
28	Certificates of Compliance
10	Searches
4	Social Service Inspections
1	Social Service Re-Inspections
2	Plumbing Licenses
1	Electrical License Application
17	Electrical Licenses
39	Building Construction Inspections
67	Violation Notices
34	Other Inspections
5	Vacant Building Registration
2	Multiple Dwellings
3	Appearance Tickets

Total amount collected: \$9,726.50 (month of October 2015)

UPDATES ON FOLLOWING LOCATIONS REPORTED LAST MONTH

- a) 32 Church Street: Mr. Gatzen has removed all residents from the property; pad locked the door and shut off the gas.
- b) 223 East Main Street: new owner is reopening permit and still continuing work.
- c) 291 East Main Street: owners are working diligently every day and only have a few minor things left to accomplish.
- d) Flo Jean: the building has been demoed and the foundation was found to be in good condition so it's going to stay.
- e) 24-32 Front Street: currently no progress will be discussed at the common council meeting.
- f) 29-31 Front Street (29-31 Front LLC/ Ruby Group): There is a court date set for November 5th and is currently to be sold on the 6th. The said to be new owners have tarped the roof.

UPDATES ON FOLLOWING LOCATIONS REPORTED LAST MONTH (Continued)

- g) 90 Front Street: The DPW is clearing the property including an abandoned car in the back.
- h) 92 Front Street: has a permit good through February, but is currently at a standstill. They are trying to find different uses for the property.
- i) 19 Hamilton (Laundromat): Construction has begun and they are working with the DPW for sewer lines.
- j) 21 King Street: up for demolition.
- k) 30 King Street: owner is currently working on 28 King and then will be moving onto 30 King Street.
- l) 21 Pike Street (Deli): cleaning up now but not sure when they are going to be opening.
- m) 100 Pike Street (Port Plaza): working on the façade now that the roof is on and completed.
- n) 15 Second Street: up for demolition.
- o) Skyline Drive: no updates on this property.
- p) Future Homes: the Fire and Building Inspectors are going to consult on ticketing this property.
- q) Hockenberry Furniture: the Building Inspector gained a key for access and found three points of leaking. The roof has now been fixed.

Old Business:

1. Change vacant building fees – doubling the fee is not enough, consider making the fee more like \$5,000 and keep fee the same for commercial and residential. Fees need to be changed by resolution. To be presented to Corporation Counsel for advisement.
2. Allow wholesale business in Central Business District –consider allowing with retail attached, also add removing churches and non for profits from the Business District. Open up Auctions to be allowed on Sundays.
3. Add requirement for local forms in commercial properties to also include residential properties. Also make posting be in a more permanent manor.
4. Buildings that fall into a dangerous building category in Section 234 should have a 6” round vinyl self-sticking sign on the front door to signify to Fire Fighters, EMS, ect. not to enter the building. That would replace the paper signs, currently in use, that are not effective. The paper signs deteriorate, fade, or are removed causing safety concerns.
5. Request by PJFD Board of Officers to not allow vendors at the annual Fireman’s Parade as some other communities do not allow them. It is a safety concern voiced by many officers. –bring it to the Council at the next meeting.

New Business:

1. Drone Legislation – discussion with Corporation Counsel in order to not violate and FAA legislation.
2. Sidewalks – should be all one type of material and kept in good condition and maybe limiting the type of materials allowed for sidewalks, as well as being permitted.

Public Comment: *About Topics Covered in Tonight's Meeting*

NONE

Next Scheduled Code Meeting: **December 2, 2015 @ 7:00 pm - Council Chambers**

Adjournment: 8:16pm