

CODE COMMITTEE
City of Port Jervis
Common Council Chambers
Wednesday, March 4th, 2020 – 6:00pm

Dominick Santini
Committee Chairman

Jim Farr
Building Official

Kristin Trovei
Chandler Campbell
Stanley Siegel
Committee Members

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call: Mr. Santini - Mrs. Randazzo – Mrs. Trovei – Ms. Campbell – Mr. Siegel – Mr. Farr – Mr. Simmons

Mayor Decker & Mrs. Mann Arrived at 6:05PM.

Public Comment: None

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Ms. Campbell to approve the February 2020 Code Committee meeting minutes.

AYE: 4 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Old Business:

1. Multifamily Inspection Fees (3 family and above) –
Topic will be discussed at the next meeting.

New Business –

1. Bid for Emergency Demo Work -
Mr. Farr suggested starting a yearly bid for demo work, using livable sq. footage as a criteria for pricing. The committee discussed the emergency demo that was conducted at 1 Ridge Ave, due to a fire.
2. Increasing Inspections and Citations for Trash, Fire Safety Issues, Unregistered Vehicles, and Yards and Court Issues -
Mr. Farr reported that the building department performed 1,515 violations in the year 2019. The committee held a lengthy discussion on property maintenance, the order of remedy process, court processes, budgeted P/T vacancies and ways to reduce waste at residential properties. The committee agreed to hire a part-time certified Code Enforcement Officer to help address property maintenance violations.
3. Parking Violations/Overnight Parking -
Mayor Decker asked the committee to consider changing the code regarding overnight parking, giving the authority to suspend or reinstate to the Mayor, DPW Director and the Police Chief. After discussion, the committee decided to revisit the topic at a later date.

Building Officials Report: Attached

Mr. Farr updated the committee on projects throughout the city. He also reported that O&R would be blasting during construction and the city will receive all communications relating to the construction.

Mr. Siegel asked Mr. Farr to investigate auto body shops that are not registered with the DMV to operate. Mr. Farr replied that the Fire Inspector, Mr. Brady, was already looking into the matter.

Mrs. Mann & Mr. Siegel asked if the building department could investigate 45 Front Street and the property known as The Gifted Horse.

Mayor Decker asked the committee to review Mike Wards request to start filming promotional videos in the city and will also have Mr. Plotsky review.

Public Comment: *About Topics Covered in Tonight's Meeting:* None

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Ms. Campbell to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 PM.

AYE: 4 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Next Scheduled Code Meeting: **April 1st, 2020 @ 6:00 pm - Council Chambers**