

MINUTES
ALTOONA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
Tuesday, November 3, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Randy Isenberg, Chair
Dave Albright, Vice Chair
Michael Haire, Vice Secretary
Richard Haines

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jennifer Mikolajczk, Secretary
Charles Myers

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STAFF PRESENT

Nic Ardizzone – Property and Program Manager
Mary Johnson – CDBG Manager

The Altoona City Planning Commission held its monthly meeting on November 3, 2020 in the Public Meeting Room, City Hall 1301 12th Street, Altoona. Dave Albright, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. **Approval of meeting minutes of October 6, 2020.**
The minutes of the October 6, 2020, were read. A motion was made by Richard Haines for approval of the minutes. Motion was seconded by Dave Albright. Motion carried unanimously.
2. **Public Comment Period**
No Public Comment at this time.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT ITEMS

3. No Subdivision or Land Development at this time.
4. **Staff Level Reviews** – Staff has reviewed the following staff level subdivision/land development applications since the October 6, 2020 meeting.
 1. **2400-2406 17th Avenue** – Subdivision – Rodney Shoop – Under Review
 2. **801-813 N. 4th Avenue** – Subdivision – Dwayne Poorman – Under Review

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT

5. Spot Blight Declaration

2024 5th Avenue

Owner: Todd Gibboney
38265 Sand Cove Road
Ocean View, DE 19970

Property is vacant, residential and is in substandard condition not suitable for rehabilitation. Property is wood sided needing scraped and painted, siding also has holes on the side of the structure. Property is covered in overgrowth and a tree has fallen over the property. Foundation is satisfactory. Roof has large holes; front porch roof is collapsing and back porch roof is also in bad shape. Broken windows, accumulation inside of property and water damage to the walls. All utilities are off and taxes are up to date. Under the 2015 International Property Maintenance Code, the City will demolish the structure and place a lien on the property for the cost of demolition. Motion to declare the property blighted was made by Michael Haire. Motion seconded by Dave Albright. Motion passed unanimously.

1616 11th Street

Owner: Blair County Repository
423 Allegheny Street
Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

Property is vacant, residential and is in substandard condition not suitable for rehabilitation. Front porch is dilapidated, floor rotted, holes in roof and siding and missing material. Foundation showing some deterioration and main roof has holes and missing shingles. Windows are broken and rotted and the interior is unsanitary. Gas and electric are still active, water is off. Taxes are owed since 2017 totaling \$4,000.00+. Under the 2015 International Property Maintenance Code, the City will demolish the structure and place a lien for the city's share of the demolition. Since, it is in the repository, Mary Johnson will file a grant request with the County. Motion to declare the property blighted was made by Richard Haines. Motion seconded by Dave Albright. Motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

6. Planning Reports

- a. Grantsmanship activities – No Report
- b. Zoning Hearing Board – No Report
- c. Shade Tree Commission – No Report
- d. GAEDC – No Report
- e. Blair County Planning Commission – Met and are working on the Comprehensive Plan.

8. Commissioners Forum – No report

9. Questions from the Media and Public

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Michael Haire to adjourn the meeting at 3:20 P.M. Richard Haines seconded the motion.

Michael Haire, Vice Secretary