



**Minutes  
BLIGHT REVIEW COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, July 30, 2020 – 4:00 PM**

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1. Roll Call

Jonathan Porzuc kicks off the meeting

Jackie Bosco, Kelly Hemmeler, Bill Kiner, Karen Prague

Jonathan would like to add procedures and criteria to the agenda regarding commentary from applicants.

All in favor.

Lee Shermerhorn identified himself, joining by phone.

Tom Sherban identified himself, joining by phone.

There are technical difficulties in getting Jackie Bosco via audio.

Ground rule ideas during executive session:

Opening statements

Time Limits (5 minutes)

There is a motion by Karen Prague, and a second by Bill Kiner. There is a unanimous consent on the ground rules.

2. Approval of Minutes

Approved

3. Executive Session

The committee enters the executive session.

- a. 2 Homestead Drive
- b. 21 Hartford Ave
- c. 7 Missile Drive

The committee returns from executive session.

4. New Business

- a. 7 Perry Lane-purchase and sale has been signed.

There is a discussion about what the word "exemption" means on the BRC Applicant form.

The Committee would like input from the Town Attorney on how to waive fines and decide to table this property until the next meeting.

- b. 2 Homestead Drive  
Bill Kiner suggests that the entire fine is removed based on the good faith efforts of the owner's brother.  
Jonathan Porzuc also suggests waiving the entire fine due to the fact that the time period of the violation for grass and weeds was mostly during the winter months.  
There is a motion to submit the recommendation to Council to dismiss the entire fine. It is unanimously approved.
  - c. 21 Hartford Avenue  
Bill Kiner suggests that the entire fine is removed based on the evidence that was presented by the applicant and because it has been in compliance since 2018.  
Jonathan Porzuc agrees that the fines should be waived, as the violation period was short, and compliance has been met.  
There is a motion to submit the recommendation to council to dismiss the entire fine. It is unanimously approved.
  - d. 7 Missile Drive  
Bill Kiner does not personally know the applicant but has met and spoken to him about this property maintenance issue. He asks if he should recuse himself. The committee decides to continue ahead.  
There was a question as to whether or not the property is currently under compliance due to the information presented by the applicant that suggests the contrary. There is a suggestion to table this item until confirmation can be assessed by a Blight/Zoning Officer.  
There is also a suggestion to ask the Town Attorney clarification on the purview of the committee in regards to requesting a Blight/Zoning Officer determine compliance of an applicant.  
There is a motion by Kelly Hemmeler to table this application and ask for purview clarification by the Town Attorney, and a second by Bill Kiner. It is unanimously approved.
5. Adjournment  
The meeting is adjourned.