

MINUTES
WALTON PLAN COMMISSION
Monday September 9, 2019

President Mac Martin called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in the Walton Town Hall.

ROLL CALL:

Members present: Mac Martin, Dick Case, Mike Robinson, Vincent Beeson, Brian Ayers and Susie Pitcock

Member absent: Steve Williams, Elizabeth Eurit and 1 member to be appointed

Staff present: Eric Servin, Arin Shaver (present by phone) and Peggy Dillon

Public in attendance: Teresa Pittman

ACTION ON MINUTES:

Minutes of August 5, 2019 were presented. Mr. Beeson motioned to approve. Mr. Ayers seconded the motion and all were in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING:

None

REPORTS:

Unsafe Property:

114 Depot St. – Kepner – now Pittman

Mrs. Shaver was called by phone at this time:

Mrs. Shaver explained that the Building Commissioner, Ralph Koppe, did inspect the property and stated the following:

- Some work has been done
- Windows are covered
- Strips around the door are only temporary
- Front door needs to be replaced

Mrs. Shaver stated that Ms. Pittman has called the office and explained that she wishes to remodel the inside.

Teresa Pittman, 6523 E. 800 S., entered the meeting. Mrs. Pittman explained that she has recently taken ownership of the building and wants to open a second hand store here.

Mr. Martin expressed concern that the building is unsafe, and stated that we need action on these repairs.

Mrs. Pittman stated she wants to get the overhead beams repaired before winter; to repair the roof before spring and to be completely repaired next spring; she is getting paint and new frames for windows.

Mr. Robison replied that she is making progress and moving forward.

Mrs. Shaver stated the options for next steps: extend the order 60 days and then possibly another 60 days or to wait until spring and start the unsafe process over.

Mr. Robison motioned to give Mrs. Pittman time to get the beams repaired; re-inspection to be on October 30, 2019 and brought forward at the November 4, 2019 meeting.

Mr. Beeson seconded the motion and all were in favor.

301 Church St. – Eaton:

Mrs. Shaver stated that this property was inspected by Mr. Koppe and there has been no change; rotted boards on the east side; rafters are rotted and now rodent infestation has happened.

Mr. Robison stated that obviously no one lives there, there are no changes and pallets are lying around.

Mrs. Shaver explained that the Town of Walton may talk to the County Council to release some of the Cedit Funds to start demolishing and repairing some of these unsafe properties. Mr. Robison asked if there was any response from the owner, there has been none.

Mrs. Shaver stated the process to be:

- Letter sent stating a date that progress or contact to staff needs to be made
- Estimates/Bids received for the demolition
- Bid estimates need to be approved at a meeting
- Move forward with demolition

The Board expressed concern that no progress has been made.

Mrs. Shaver stated that staff will double check the owner of the property; check for the correct address; send a letter; check whether there is a mortgage on the property; post on the property a notice of this next meeting.

Mrs. Shaver stated that this Board can put a fine on the property as well as the fee for demolition; she will get estimates and send them to Town Council to see if the town has money for the demolition.

Mr. Beeson motioned to bring this forward to the next meeting and vote to demolish if there has been no contact with the owner. Bids for the demolition will be brought to the October 7th meeting.

Mr. Ayers seconded the motion and all were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

Unsafe Property:

207 S. Main St. - Madrigal

Mrs. Shaver explained that this house was burnt and there have been no changes.

Mr. Robison stated that the owner wants to demolish the building; the building is all boarded and locked and the yard is mowed.

Mr. Case motioned to put this property on the watch list to give the owner time to demolish it and bring forward next spring. Mr. Beeson seconded the motion and all were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

206 W. Broadway – Pitner

Mrs. Shaver reported that the shed is falling in on its self; nothing has changed; there has been no contact with the owners.


Mr. Robison motioned to bring forward at the next meeting, October 7th, and access a fine of \$1000 if no progress is made or contact with Planning Department.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE:

No public spoke to the Commission.

ADJOURNMENT:

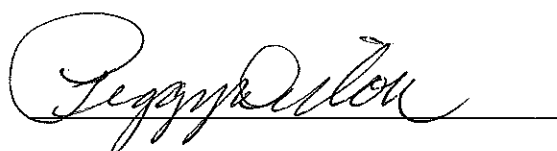
There was no further business to be brought before the Board; the meeting was adjourned at 6:21PM September 9, 2019.



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