

Village of Balsam Lake Public Protection Committee
Monday May 20, 2013 6:00 – 7:15 pm

Meeting called to order by Chris Sondrol.

Members present: Chris Sondrol, Geno D'Agostino, Vera Bollinger

Dilapidated Buildings-Review/Proceed with Violations. Discussion was held on proceeding with condemning and razing the structure at 411 Main Street. The structure at 411 Main Street is in violation of Ordinance 227-5 (F) Dilapidated or deteriorated buildings. It has become a public nuisance and an unsafe structure. **Motion by Vera Bollinger to proceed with condemning and razing the structure at 411 Main Street. Seconded by Geno D'Agostino. All in favor. Carried.**

Property Maintenance-Review/Proceed with Notices. In an effort to keep a clean and desirable atmosphere in Balsam Lake the committee members agreed to proceed in sending out a 10 day notice to various residents who are in non-compliance with the lawn care ordinance, unsightly accumulation of trash and debris ordinance, unlicensed, inoperable & junked vehicle ordinance & unsightly storage of property ordinance. They will have 10 days to be in compliance of each violation. If it remains in non-compliance and the Village cleans up the property the charges will be billed directly or assessed to the property along with the issuance of a municipal citation with a forfeiture of \$156.50 for each violation.

Multifamily Dwellings-Information Questionnaire. The Village does not have a record of how many units are in the multifamily dwellings within the Village. For the health & welfare of the tenants in multifamily dwellings Darryl Ince recommends to the committee members to proceed with an information questionnaire sent to all multifamily dwelling owners to be returned to the Village. Attorney Adam will be contacted to write the letter to send to the owners of the dwellings. **Motion by Vera Bollinger to proceed with sending a letter and an information questionnaire to all the multifamily dwelling owners within the Village. Seconded by Geno D'Agostino. All in favor. Carried.**

Non-Compliant Commercial Buildings Signs & Banners-Review/Proceed with Notices. Discussion was held on the compliance of the sign ordinance pertaining to Main Street businesses. The committee members agreed to leave the banner issue as is at this time. Discussion on amending the sign ordinance pertaining to banners will be addressed at the next Smart Growth Committee meeting in June.

Freedom Fest Events & Road Closures. Chris Nelson, representing the Balsam Lake Chamber of Commerce shared the street closures & the event schedule for the Freedom Fest with the committee. The Village will send in the application for permission to detour state highway traffic on Main Street. Main Street will be closed on Friday, July 5th at 4:00 pm until Sunday, July 7th at 6:00 pm from Basil Street to 3rd Avenue West. Other street closures are: 1st Avenue East from Main Street to Mill Street; portion of First Ave West; portion of Courthouse Ave; portion of Mill Street. **Motion by Geno D'Agostino to accept the freedom fest street closures. Seconded by Vera Bollinger. All in favor. Carried.** Discussion was held with Tom Mabry concerning where to hold the Fire Department water fight event. It was determined that this event will be held on the south side of Main Street between Second Avenue and Third Avenue. The event is on Saturday from 3-5. The committee has no issues with open beverage from bar to bar in a plastic glass. There will be free shuttle service from noon until closing on Saturday. Each bar will handle their own carding of individuals & will issue their own wrist bands.

Motion by Vera Bollinger to adjourn. Seconded by Geno D'Agostino. All in favor. Carried.
Lori Duncan, Clerk Treasurer