

**Code Enforcement Board
Meeting Minutes
June 20, 2019**

A regular meeting of the Code Enforcement Board of the City of Cocoa was held on Thursday, June 20, 2019 in the Council Chambers at 65 Stone Street, Cocoa, as publicly noticed.

OPENING MATTERS:

Chairman Jim Gifford called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. The Board Secretary called the roll.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jim Gifford
George Brown, Jr.
Edward Green
David Lightholder

Chairman
Vice-Chairman
Board Member
Board Member – Arrived at 6:14

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Virginia Weaver
Scott Hannon

Board Member
Board Member

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dennis Bunt
Mike Cantaloupe
Julian Briggs
Steve Murdick
Johaquin Rodriguez
Debra Babb-Nutcher
Darla Crowl
Don Boisvert

Code Enforcement Manager
Police Chief
Code Enforcement Officer
Code Enforcement Officer
Code Enforcement Officer
Board Attorney
Recording Secretary
Councilman/Liaison

The Board Secretary swore in all Staff members giving testimony.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES:

1. Approval of Meeting Agenda: June 20, 2019

Motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Green, to approve the agenda of June 20, 2019. Vote on the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

2. Approval of Minutes: May 16, 2019

Motion by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Brown, to approve the minutes of May 16, 2019. Vote on the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

A Moment of Silence for Code Board Member Michael Cicerella who passed away on May 17, 2019.

CASES:

1. CE-18-664 – 337 Meridian Run Drive

Code Enforcement Officer Steve Murdick provided an overview of the Case history and presented exhibits for the Board's review. Officer Murdick testified that the Property Owner was in violation of *XXVIII. Rental Business Tax, Ch 6 Sec. 6-200* of the City Code.

Officer Murdick requested that the Board find the Property Owner in violation and be given until July 20, 2019 (30 days) to come into compliance or impose a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per day until found in compliance.

Property owner was not present.

Discussion amongst the Board members and staff. Motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Lightholder, to approve Staff's recommendation and find the Property Owner in violation. Vote on the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

2. CE-18-668 – 121 Woodsmill Blvd.

Code Enforcement Officer Steve Murdick provided an overview of the Case history and presented exhibits for the Board's review. Officer Murdick testified that the Property Owner was in violation of *XXVIII. Rental Business Tax, Ch 6 Sec. 6-200* of the City Code.

Officer Murdick requested that the Board find the Property Owner in violation and be given until July 20, 2019 (30 days) to come into compliance or impose a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per day until found in compliance.

Property owner was not present.

Discussion amongst the Board members and staff. Motion by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Lightholder, to approve Staff's recommendation and find the Property Owner in violation. Vote on the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

3. CE-18-669 – 119 Woodsmill Blvd.

This case complied.

4. CE-18-670 – 158 Woodsmill Blvd.

Code Enforcement Officer Steve Murdick provided an overview of the Case history and presented exhibits for the Board's review. Officer Murdick testified that the Property Owner was in violation of *XXVIII.Rental Business Tax, Ch 6 Sec. 6-200* of the City Code.

Officer Murdick requested that the Board find the Property Owner in violation and be given until July 20, 2019 (30 days) to come into compliance or impose a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per day until found in compliance.

Property owner was not present.

Discussion amongst the Board members and staff. Motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Lightholder, to approve Staff's recommendation and find the Property Owner in violation. Vote on the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

5. CE-19-158 – 109 N Indian Cir.

This case complied.

6. CE-19-210 – 547 Peachtree St.

Code Enforcement Officer Julian Briggs provided an overview of the Case history and presented exhibits for the Board's review. Officer Murdick testified that the Property Owner was in violation of *II.Accum. Of Trash and Litter Ch 6 Sec. 6-900 (b)(1)a-d, XXVII.Protective Treatment, Ch 6 Sec. 6-1003 (b) and IV.Boarded Up Buildings Ch. 6 Sec. 6-900 (b)(5)* of the City Code.

Officer Briggs requested that the Board find the Property Owner in violation and be given until July 20, 2019 (30 days) to come into compliance or impose a fine of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per day until found in compliance.

Property owner was not present.

Discussion amongst the Board members and staff. Motion by Mr. Lightholder, seconded by Mr. Green, to approve the Staff's recommendation and find the Property Owner in violation. Vote on the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

7. CE-19-211 – 549 Peachtree St.

Code Enforcement Officer Julian Briggs provided an overview of the Case history and presented exhibits for the Board's review. Officer Murdick testified that the Property Owner was in violation of *II.Accum. Of Trash and Litter Ch 6 Sec. 6-900 (b)(1)a-d, XXVII.Protective Treatment, Ch 6 Sec. 6-1003 (b), IV.Boarded Up Buildings Ch. 6 Sec. 6-900 (b)(5) and V.Business Tax Receipt Ch 12 Sec. 12-1 (a)(b)* of the City Code.

Officer Briggs requested that the Board find the Property Owner in violation and be given until July 20, 2019 (30 days) to come into compliance or impose a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per day until found in compliance.

Property owner was not present.

Discussion amongst the Board members and staff. Motion by Mr. Lightholder, seconded by Mr. Brown, to approve the Staff's recommendation and find the Property Owner in violation. Vote on the motion carried unanimously (4-0)

8. CE-19-208 – 1111 Broadmoor Dr.

Code Enforcement Officer Julian Briggs provided an overview of the Case history and presented exhibits for the Board's review. Officer Murdick testified that the Property Owner was in violation of *II.Accum. Of Trash and Litter Ch 6 Sec. 6-900 (b)(1)a-d, XXVII.Protective Treatment, Ch 6 Sec. 6-1003 (b), XX.Parking in Yard Ch 6 Sec. 6-900 (b)(9) and XXXIII.Storing Outdoors, Ch 6 Sec. 6-900 (b)(11)* of the City Code.

Officer Briggs requested that the Board find the Property Owner in violation and be given until July 20, 2019 (30 days) to come into compliance or impose a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per day until found in compliance.

Property owner was not present.

Discussion amongst the Board members and staff. Motion by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Lightholder, to approve the Staff's recommendation and find the Property Owner in violation. Vote on the motion carried unanimously (4-0)

NON-COMPLIANCE:

1. CE-18-103 – 540 St. Johns St.

Code Enforcement Officer Steve Murdick provided an overview of the Case history and presented exhibits for the Board's review. Officer Murdick testified that the Property Owner was in violation of *IX.Exterior General Condition Ch 6 Sec. 6-1003 (a)*, *XXXVI.Weeds, Ch 6 Sec. 6-1001(d)*, *I.Accessory Structures Ch 6 Sec. 6-1001 (g)* and *XXXIII.Storing Outdoors, Ch 6 Sec. 6-900 (b)(11)* of the City Code. Officer Murdick stated a Notice of Hearing was sent on May 31, 2019 and property owner remains in violation.

Property owner was sworn in: Dave McConnell, 540 St. Johns St., Cocoa

Property owner Mr. McConnell discussed the violations and how he was in the process of cleaning up the property and fixing the fence. Mr. McConnell said he was having trouble getting a permit due to the Building Department stating that he needs a survey. Mr. Brown was asking why they were in need of a survey if the fence was existing. Officer Murdick stated that the Building Department may require a survey if a certain amount of the fence was damaged to verify the property lines. Manager Bunt told the Board members that the property owner would need screening on the fence to buffer his property from the residential property that is surrounding his property. Manager Bunt also stated that there were other items that were still in violation not just the chain link fencing. Discussion continued and Mr. Lightholder suggested the Board table this item for 30 days (July 20, 2019) to give Mr. McConnell more time to get his permit and clean up the property.

Discussion amongst the Board members and staff. Motion by Mr. Lightholder, seconded by Mr. Green, to table for 30 days and find the Owner in Non-Compliance. Vote on the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

2. CE-18-331 – 122 Rosa L Jones Dr.

Code Enforcement Officer Steve Murdick provided an overview of the Case history and presented exhibits for the Board's review. Officer Murdick testified that the Property Owner was in violation of *XXVII.Protective Treatment, Ch 6 Sec. 6-1003 (b)*, *XXIX.Roofs & Drainage, Ch 6 Sec. 6-1003 (g)*, *XXXII.Storing Junk or Autos, Ch 6 Sec. 6-902 (b)(1)(2)* and *I.Accessory Structures Ch 6 Sec. 6-1001 (g)* of the City Code. Officer Murdick stated a Notice of Hearing was sent on May 31, 2019 and property owner remains in violation.

Property owner was not present.

Discussion amongst the Board members and staff. Motion by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Brown, to approve Staff's recommendation and find the Owner in Non-Compliance. Vote on the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

3. CE-18-345 – 3221 Nottingham Ln.

This case was tabled.

4. CE-18-444 – 803 Warren Ave.

This case was tabled.

LIEN REDUCTION:

None

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

NEXT MEETING:

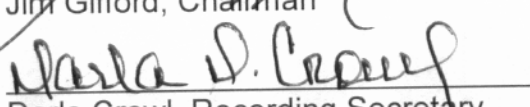
The Board members established that the next meeting would be held on July 18, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Approved on this 23 day of July, 2019.


Jim Gifford, Chairman


Darla Crowl, Recording Secretary

