

MINUTES  
BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION  
June 11, 1996  
4:05 p.m.

Members present: Bill Sullivant, Lee Birkhead, Donna Doty, Thomas Robinson, Jim Goldsworthy  
Members absent: Jan Russell, Van Knight  
Staff present: Stephen Gullatt, Roy Lewis, Marcia Browning Nancy Williams  
Visitors: None

The first item of business on the agenda was the Election of a New Chairperson. Lee Birkhead is appointed acting Chairman. Meeting called to order at 4:05 p.m.

Lee Birkhead stated let the record show we do have a quorum here and I will be acting temporary Chairman. The first order of business is to elect a new Chairman. Do we have any suggestions to come before the Board?

Thomas Robinson asked this being my first time here who is on the Committee ?

Lee Birkhead replied I don't even have a list of who is on the Committee.

Stephen Gullatt replied Jan Russell, Bill Sullivant, Lee Birkhead, Donna Doty, Thomas Robinson, and Jim Goldsworthy, Van Knight are alternates.

Lee Birkhead stated that Bill Sullivant is astute and good about showing up to the meetings. I nominate Bill Sullivant.

Donna Doty I second the motion.

Lee Birkhead stated all in favor.

AYES: All NAYS: NONE ABSENT: Jan Russell & Van Knight  
ABSTENTIONS: NONE

The second item of business on the agenda was the consideration and approval of minutes of the regular meeting of Tuesday, June 11, 1996.

Motion made by Lee Birkhead.

Second by Bill Sullivant.

Moved and second that we accept and approve the minutes as written all in favor?

AYES: ALL NAYS: NONE ABSENT: Jan Russell & Van Knight  
ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Lee Birkhead asked are there any visitors present that wish to address the Board on any of the properties that are on the agenda. Lee asked the Building Official Roy Lewis to raise his right hand so that he could swear him in.

Roy Lewis agreed to do so.

Lee Birkhead stated do you swear to tell the truth the whole truth and nothing but the truth so help you God?

Roy Lewis replied I Do.

**The third item of business on the agenda** was consideration and action on the substandard condition of a structure located at 320 N. Weaver Case NO. BS-96-07

Lee Birkhead asked Mr. Lewis to enlighten us on this, our first case of the day.

Roy Lewis replied my investigation showed that basically this house is about to fall down.

Lee Birkhead asked have we reviewed this case before today?

Roy Lewis replied no you have not. The windows have been broken out, and the front door is standing open. The front porch is all rotted and the roof is falling off the place.

Lee Birkhead stated so this place has been like this for quite sometime then.

Roy Lewis replied yes that is correct. I'm sending these pictures around for everyone to look at. My recommendation is to just have the place torn down.

Lee Birkhead stated let the record show that Mr. Sullivant is now present. We are discussing a property at 320 N. Weaver St. And may I interrupt the discussion on this property to let Mr. Sullivant know that he is now the Chairman of this committee.

Mr. Sullivant requested that Lee Birkhead continue the meeting since he was doing such a good job of it.

Mr. Birkhead asked is there any discussion.

Ms. Williams asked are you using the pictures as evidence in this case.

Mr. Lewis replied that is correct.

Mr. Birkhead asked do I hear any discussion over 320 N. Weaver or any recommendation or do I hear a motion on this property at this time.

Mr. Robinson made a motion to go with option one.

Mr. Sullivant made a motion to go with option two. Option No. one is to repair.

Mr. Birkhead asked has the owner been notified at this time or can you even find the owner ?

Mr. Lewis replied that the owner has been notified. We even have the return receipt from the certified letter.

Mr. Robinson stated that he meant to go with option two.

Mr. Birkhead stated motion has been made to go with option two on 320 N. Weaver St. do I hear a second ?

Mr. Sullivant replied that he would second the motion made.

**Ayes:** ALL, **Nays:** None, **Absent:** Jan Russell, Van Knight  
**Abstentions:** None.

**The Fifth Item of Business on the Agenda** is consideration and action on the determination of Building Official of the Substandard condition of a structure located at 807 Olive St. Case # BS-95-12

Mr. Birkhead asked Mr. Lewis if he could give some insight on this property.

Mr. Lewis replied that he could and would do so. Last year sometime I started working on this to bring it before the Committee and the Lady came into my office and wanted to pull a permit to remodel. That was last year on June the ninth and at that time I did issue a permit to her. I also told her that I would be checking the house every so often for improvements. She did start to clean up around the place. After that she just stopped and let it go and has not done anything since. As you can see from the pictures that are going around now.

Mr. Goldsworthy stated I understand that your leaning to option No. one is that correct?

Mr. Birkhead stated that may not be a bad idea since they did want to repair the house at one time. I do believe that we should notify them because that is the only difference between option one and two. One say's you will tear it down and two say's you will repair it or tear it down that is the only difference.

Ms. Doty the only thing is that option three gives a longer period of time. Consider the location and the state of the house I think we need to go with option three. I make a motion for option three.

Mr. Birkhead stated that a motion of option three has been made.

AYES: ALL NAYS: NONE ABSENT Jan Russell, Van Knight  
ABSTENTIONS: NONE

**Any other business that needs to come before this board.**

Ms. Doty stated that she would like to thank the City for appointing alternate members for us and I think it is a great improvement to help our commission move a long in a timely matter.

If not then I declare this meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.