

August 24, 2016

City Council
City of Cheviot
3814 Harrison Avenue
Cheviot, Ohio 45211

RE: Housing Committee Meeting

To All Members of Council:

The Housing Committee met on August 23, 2016 in the meeting room of the Cheviot municipal building. In attendance were committee members William Clark, Dennis Dinkelacker, Amy Richter and Chairperson Jim Martin. Also in attendance were President of Council Debbie Slaughter, Councilmember Kitty Zech and Councilmember Jim Sunderhaus. The meeting was called to order at 7:14 PM.

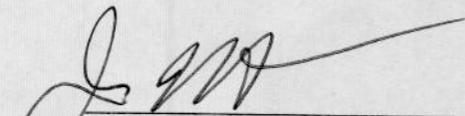
The main purpose of this meeting was to discuss and provide changes to the Vacant Property Ordinance. Discussion focused on several topics regarding the ordinance in its current form. First and foremost it was agreed that a change was needed in the fees set out in the ordinance. The Chair stated that there had been a miscommunication regarding the fees and as currently stated the fees were set to high. Changes were made and the committee accepted the new fees.

Mrs. Zech suggested that a detailed review of a property may not be legal. It was pointed out that the property review was strictly the exterior only and so that the property was maintained to meet current Cheviot codes which upon research of committee was found to be acceptable. There was also discussion regarding the fairness of the fees and registration of the vacant properties. It was agreed in making changes to the ordinance some consideration would be given to houses just on the market for sale as well as houses that are vacant but in the process of being redone. A time frame of 30 days post vacancy to attain said permit was also added.

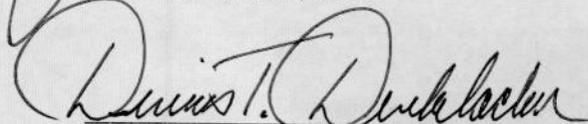
It was suggested that the Chair contact the Safety Service Director regarding the ordinance and let him know that the Building Department would be in charge of carrying out and issuing permits. (This was done, with full changes and ordinance on 8/24).

With there being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 PM

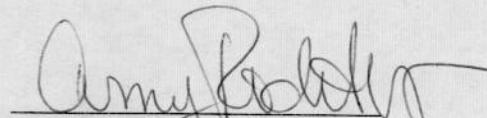
Respectfully Submitted,



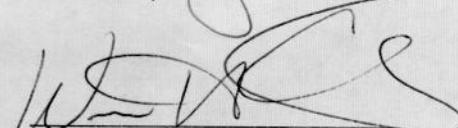
James Martin, Chairperson



Dennis Dinkelacker



Amy Richter



William Clark