

NASSAU COUNTY CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD MEETING September 12, 2006

Chairman Ridley called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Janet Wylie, Code Enforcement Board Secretary proceeded with the roll call. Board Members present were: Elaine Hunter, Orrin Main, Bernard McCabe, Greg Zampogna and Frank Ridley. Board Members absent were: Michael Clemens. Staff members present were: Sue Jarzyna, Assistant County Attorney, Michael Favors, Code Enforcement Officer, Taco Pope, Code Enforcement Officer, Brenda Rothwell, Code Enforcement Director and Janet Wylie, Code Enforcement Board Secretary. Staff members absent were: Mike Mullin, County Attorney, and Dana Edwards, Code Enforcement Office Specialist.

Chairman Ridley asked the Code Enforcement Board if any of the members had ex parte contact (discussion of the public meeting) to declare. If the answer is yes, the member must state the source of the contact and state clearly and concisely the substance of the contact for the record. In the absence of caution, the Board members should consider their personal observations, such as those derived from the site visits, as ex parte communications. Such observations must be disclosed. There weren't any disclosures.

Board Member Zampogna made a motion to approve the minutes of August 8, 2006. Board Member McCabe seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Sue Jarzyna, Assistant County Attorney, read the Statement of Procedures and cases to be heard.

Officer Taco Pope was sworn in.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

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Case #04/06-445 Mozelle J. Brown Estate, C/O Rhonda Register – 86018 Clyde Street, Yulee

Officer Pope presented the case against Mozelle J. Brown Estate for violation of Ordinance 2003-17, Section 2, abandoned appliances, Section 3, unserviceable vehicles prohibited, Section 6.01, general nuisances affecting public health and Section 6.03, discard, place trash, litter or debris, and Ordinance 2000-26, Section 1.6, maintenance of structure. The property owner was cited July 11, 2006. The property is zoned RS-2. This is a repeat violation of Section 3, unserviceable vehicles. Officer Pope requested administrative fees and re-inspection fees of \$352.06. Officer Pope stated that the structure has significant fire damage inside and has been declared an unsafe structure by the Building Department. There is no one living in the home but there is activity. All postings have been removed and different vehicles have been brought on and removed from the property. The appliances have been removed. Sue Jarzyna asked Brenda about unsafe structures declared so by the Building Department and what they do. Brenda stated that the Building Department sends a letter giving them a certain amount of days to get a permit to demolish or a permit to repair the structure. If no permit is applied for, a second letter goes out and it goes before the Board of County Commissioners to demolish the building. Mr. Ridley confirmed that the Building Department demolishing the structure and the other violations remain Code Enforcement issues.

The property owner or representative was not present.

Board Member Zampogna made a motion finding that, based upon the evidence and testimony received, the Mozelle J. Brown Estate is in violation of Ordinance 2003-17, Section 2, abandoned appliances, Section 3, unserviceable vehicles prohibited, Section 6.01, general nuisances affecting public health and Section 6.03, discard, place trash, litter or debris, and Ordinance 2000-26, Section 1.6, maintenance of structure, recognizing that this is a repeat for Section 3, unserviceable vehicles. Board Member Hunter seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0. Board Member Zampogna made a motion that, based upon the findings of fact a fine be imposed in the amount of \$150 per day and that the fine commence on October 10, 2006 and run each day thereafter, and that the Order of this Board reflect that amount. In addition, I move that the Mozelle J. Brown Estate be assessed an administrative cost of \$352.06 to be paid to the Code Enforcement Department by October 10, 2006 to be included in the Order that sets forth the fine. Board Member McCabe seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.