



NASSAU COUNTY CODE ENFORCEMENT  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 13, 2018

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

Board Members present were: Sarah Bell, Christine Connery, Thomas Ford, John Martin, Jackie Osborne and Mimi Vitale. Board Members absent: Wynn Fendig. Staff members present: Michael Favors, Code Enforcement Officer, Robert Hunt, Code Enforcement Officer, Terry Cotter, Deputy Building Official and Janet Wylie, Code Enforcement Secretary. Staff absent: Michael Mullin, County Attorney

Chairman Osborne 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 an abundance 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 were none.

Board Member Martin made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 13, 2018. Board Member Connery seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

Quasi-Judicial Hearing Procedures and Cases to be Heard was read by Board Member Bell.

Officer Robert Hunt was sworn in.

OLD BUSINESS:

Case 04-406, Charles L. & Sherry Padgett - 4314 (n/k/a 45364) Bismark Road, Callahan

Officer Hunt stated that Charles L. & Sherry Padgett are requesting a **Reduction of Penalty** due to financial and medical hardship.

- January 13, 2004 – Code Enforcement Board motioned and seconded in violation of Ordinance 2003-17, Section 3, unserviceable vehicles, Section 6.01, general nuisances affecting public health and Section 6.03, discard place trash, litter or debris
- Fine of \$50.00 per day started June 10, 2004 – accrued for 4,965 days x \$50.00 = \$248,250.00
- Administrative fees of \$289.95 to be paid by February 10, 2004. Received partial payment in March 2004 leaving a balance of \$144.98.
- Property came into compliance February 13, 20018

Total amount of fine \$248,250.00

Total administrative fees \$144.98

Staff recommended waiving the fine and collecting the balance of administrative fees of \$144.98.

Wesley Padgett, son, was present and sworn in. Mr. Padgett stated that both his parents are in poor health. His father worked in construction and would bring items home in hopes of being able to fix them or scrape the metal. When they were cited by Code Enforcement Wesley Padgett (son) was not living at home, knew there was an issue but not aware of any fine that was accumulating. He further stated that he is trying to get things straightened out, he has been cleaning the property and wants his parents to have a decent place to live. Mr. Padgett also commented that his father has been on disability for several years, had numerous operations and his mother recently had back surgery. He stated that his parents can't afford to pay much of a fine. When the Board asked him to make an offer, Mr. Padgett offered to pay \$500. 00 (which includes the administrative fees of \$144.98)

After much discussion, Board Member Martin made a motion to reduce the fine to \$2,482.50 and to collect the balance of administrative fees of \$144.98 for a total of \$2,626.97. Board Member Connery seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.