

**ABBREVIATED MINUTES  
CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD  
January 20, 2009**

The City of Bradenton Code Enforcement Board met in regular session on January 20, 2009 at 2:30 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 101 Old Main Street, Bradenton, Florida.

**ATTENDANCE**

**Code Enforcement Board Members** (shaded area indicates excused absence):

Chairperson Jeff Ragan	Vice Chairperson Robert Grant	Gerald Fisher	Richard Coury	Al Youmans

<b>Planning &amp; Community Development</b>	<b>Code Enforcement</b>	<b>Fire</b>	<b>Police</b>	<b>Other</b>
	Volker Reiss, Compliance Manager Victor Perez, Cheryl Landers, Barbara Hogan, F.A.C.E. Certified Code Officers			Attorney Alan Prather Attorney Bob Schermer

**PRELIMINARIES**

- 1) Meeting called to order by Chairperson Ragan at 2:30 p.m.
- 2) Member Fisher made the motion to accept the minutes from December 16, 2008 as presented by staff. Seconded by Member Youmans. Motion carried 4-0.

- 3) The following persons were sworn in by Laura Anderson: Volker Reiss, Cheryl Landers, Nikki Smith and Glenn Searls.

Member Grant arrived at 2:35 p.m.

**HEARINGS:**

**09-002 Glenn C. Searls/Dorothea P. Searls**  
**Address: 608 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue West/DP#452670002/Ward 3**  
**Violation: Section 302.4, Section 1, subsection A, parts 2 & 3 from Ordinance #2821 and Schedule 501.A from Ordinance #2627.**

Cheryl Landers, Code Enforcement Officer entered photographs into evidence. Officer Landers stated the property was inspected on October 14, 2008. At that time staff found the exterior of the structure contains mold, mildew, chipped and peeling paint, overgrown yard and a trailer stored in the front yard. The Letter of Violation was received by the property owner on November 6, 2008. A re-inspection was done on December 11, 2008 and the violations remained. The Notice of Hearing was received by the property owner on December 17, 2008. Officer Landers stated that as of today the remaining violation is the exterior mold, mildew, chipped and peeling paint. The violation was explained through the photographs displayed. Staff recommends 90 days for code compliance with a fine of \$75.00 per day until full compliance is reached.

Mr. Glenn Searls approached the Board; he stated that he would comply and correct the violation within 90 days.

**Actions**

Member Coury made the motion to find case #09-002 in violation of Section 1, subsection A, parts 2 & 3 from Ordinance #2821. Seconded by Member Fisher. Motion carried 5-0.

Member Coury made the motion on case #09-002, giving the property owner 90 days for code compliance with a fine of \$75.00 per day until full compliance is reached. Seconded by Member Fisher. Motion carried 5-0.

**09-003 Elizabeth A. Jones**  
**Address: 1014 14<sup>th</sup> Street East/DP#4535100004/Ward 5**  
**Violation: Chapter 18, Section 18-31 from the City Code of Ordinances.**

Volker Reiss, Compliance Manager stated that the property owner was not duly served.

**09-004      Alan Veazey**  
**Address:    3611 67<sup>th</sup> Street West/DP#5110821161/Ward 1**

Volker Reiss, Compliance Manager stated that the property is in code compliance.

## **VI.    OTHER BUSINESS:**

**07-064      Dana Hathorn**  
**Address:    1632 Ballard Park Drive**

Nikki Smith, representative for American Home Owners Servicing approached the Board; she stated the property is a foreclosed vacant lot with a pending contract. Ms. Smith is asking that the lien be removed or reduced.

Volker Reiss, Compliance Manager stated that a code enforcement lien has been recorded on the property in the amount of \$10,035.50. The property was brought into code compliance when the structure was demolished by the city.

Attorney Alan Prather, representative for the city explained the foreclosure process.

### **Actions**

Member Coury made the motion to reduce the lien to \$1,000.00. Seconded by Member Fisher. Motion carried 5-0.

**08-054      Juno Property Management LLC**  
**Address:    1114-1116 16<sup>th</sup> Street West**

Volker Reiss, Compliance Manager stated that staff is here to ask the Board to impose the Order Imposing Penalty/Lien; which has been received by the property owner in the amount of \$13,535.50. Mr. Reiss explained the circumstances concerning the case.

### **Actions**

Member Grant made the motion to impose record the lien as presented by staff. Seconded by Member Coury. Motion carried 5-0.

## **VII. STAFF/BOARD COMMENTS**

Volker Reiss, Compliance Manager had included the Code Enforcement Activity Report in the packet for review by the code board members.

Mr. Reiss spoke briefly about the 2008 report, answering questions by the members.

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Mr. Reiss stated that all the code officers are currently certified by F.A.C.E. (Florida Association of Code Enforcement).

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Attorney Bob Schermer reported on the status of foreclosures he is currently working.

### **Election of Code Enforcement Board Officers:**

Member Fisher made the motion to maintain current status of Chairman Jeff Ragan and Vice-Chairman Robert Grant. Seconded by Member Coury. Motion carried 5-0.

## **VII. ADJOURMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 3:27 p.m.

Next scheduled meeting –February 17, 2009.

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**Jeff Ragan, Chairperson  
Code Enforcement Board**

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