

PORTER TOWNSHIP
CASS COUNTY, MICHIGAN

September 23, 2016 7:00 p.m. With Building Department

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Harvey with the pledge to the flag.
Roll Call: Present were Harvey, Russell and Croninger. Absent Northrup and Wylie. From the Building Department: Drews, Bellaire, Dobberteen, and Dalrymple. From Porter office: Penninger and B. Russell

First on the Agenda was to appoint a new member to the Planning Commission. Motion made by Russell and supported by Croninger to appoint Bob Schultze to fill the term vacated by Chris Northrup. This term will expire on 5/14/19. Motion carried.

Communication received from a resident in regards to homes being built that block the neighbors views. Dalrymple explained how we cannot regulate this completely. Houses being built on existing footprints could be higher than the original house.

McDonald house on Pleasant Drive with the pole barn built 10 feet over the line. They were supposed to correct the situation. Drews said they took out all the permits, but the building has not been taken care of. They still are in violation of our Zoning Ordinances. We will have our attorney write them a citation to get the problem solved. The neighbor whose property is being encroached upon, needs to file a law suit against them also.

Building on the corner in Union. The roof is getting real bad. Drews will help us send a letter to the owner and tell them the building has been condemned. Motion made by Croninger and supported by Russell to send a letter telling them it is in violation. Motion carried. Drews will get with the office help to make sure the wording is correct in the letter.

Asked Dobberteen to give us more information on his permits. Need more information about his contractors. He has no problem with this.

Discussion held on the inspection of connection on demolished homes. Drews has a procedure he uses and we think we will go along with how he gives notice when a building is torn down and the sewer connection capped off.

Asked B. Russell and Penninger to address any problems they may have with the building personnel in regards to their permits, etc. Will call Drews for the inspection on a demo.

Reminder that in case of a land split, the sewer assessment must be paid in full before the split can be granted.

Motion made by Harvey and supported by Croninger to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Marty Russell
Porter Township Clerk