

Minutes of the Building and Standards Commission Regular Meeting August 27, 2020

THE STATE OF TEXAS               §  
COUNTY OF ANDERSON           §  
CITY OF PALESTINE               §

The Building and Standards Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, August 27, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers at 504 N. Queen Street, Palestine, Texas.

**CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING**

Chairman Mark Henderson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Chairman Henderson called the roll with the following members present Keith Cole, Mark Thomas, Isaac Wynn, James Smith, and Sean Conner.

Staff Present: Mark Miears, Building Official; Greg Hearn, Building Inspector

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Sean Connor made a motion to the minutes of the July 23, 2020 meeting with one correction, seconded by Mark Thomas. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE BUILDING OFFICIAL TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS NECESSARY, INCLUDING DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL OF REHABILITATION OF THE UNSAFE STUCTURE AND CONDITIONS OF THE STRUCTURE LISTED:**

**1. 108 E. Fifth St.**

Mark Miears, Building Official presented a brief summary on the status of this structure. The commission asked questions of the owner's attorney and discussions regarding ownership of the house. After reviewing pictures and discussion of this structure, Commissioner Keith Cole made a motion to allow a 90-day period for the ownership to be transferred to a single Trustee and, for that Trustee to begin rehabilitation of the structure. At the end of the 90-day period, progress would be re-assessed by the Commission for a new decision. The Motion was seconded by Commissioner James Smith. The motion carried unanimously.

**2. 611 N. John St.**

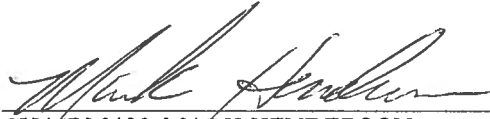
Mark Miears, Building Official presented a brief summary on the status of this structure. He explained that the owner appeared before the Commission last year and was given an opportunity to rehab the structure. Some repairs were completed, but the efforts to repair the structure appear to have been abandoned. There has been no response to the Letter of Violation. Commissioner Mark Thomas made a motion to have the structure bid-out for demolition and seconded by Commissioner Isaac Wynn. The motion carried unanimously.

**3. 811 South St.**

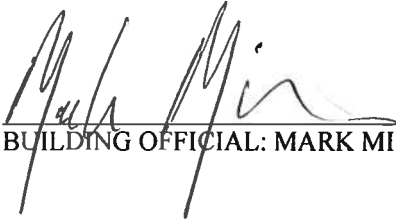
Mark Miears, Building Official presented a brief summary on the status of this structure. The owner was able to attend this meeting today and explained that she had a buyer for the property. The new owner would wish to rehabilitate the structure. After reviewing pictures and discussion of this structure, Commissioner Isaac Wynn made a motion to allow 30-days to close on the sale of the property, or the City would begin demolition proceedings. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN: MARK HENDERSON

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BUILDING OFFICIAL: MARK MIEARS