

**REGULAR SESSION**

**March 21, 2016**

The Substandard Buildings Commission of the City of Athens, Texas met in Regular Session on **Monday, March 21, 2016 at 5:30** p.m. in the Derek D. Daniels Conference Room of the Athens Partnership Center with the following members' present, to-wit:

Tere Lawyer  
Billy Murphree  
Tilo Galvan

Sheila Garrett, Code Enforcement Coordinator  
Buddy Hill, Chief of Police  
Ronnie Denton, Fire Marshall

with the following member absent: Will Traxson;

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted, to-wit:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lawyer.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 15, 2016  
REGULAR SESSION.**

A motion was made by Member Murphree, seconded by Member Galvan, to accept the minutes of the February 15, 2016, Regular Session, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT  
807 VALLE VISTA, LOT 4, BLOCK 5 – VALLE VISTA SUBDIVISION  
OWNERS A.W. DISOTELL c/o JOHN DISOTELL**

Sheila Garrett, Code Enforcement Coordinator, reminded the Commission that this structure, which was partially burnt, had been addressed in January 2016. At that time, Mr. Disotell was present at the meeting and stated to the Commission his son would demolish the structure. Ms. Garrett stated the Commission gave the property owner ninety (90) days to demolish the structure. Ms. Garrett reported that on February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016, Mr. Disotell contacted her stating that once the demolition of the burnt area of the structure began, he realized the burnt area was an add-on to the structure and felt the original structure could be saved and renovated. Ms. Garrett said she explained to Mr. Disotell he would have to go back in front of the Commission to request a change to the original Order issued in January 2016.

John Disotell was present and requested sixty (60) days to secure the doors and windows of the structure from public access and make needed repairs to the roof. Mr. Disotell stated he has a contractor ready to begin the work.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER ACTION ON SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT  
807 VALLE VISTA, LOT 4, BLOCK 5 – VALLE VISTA SUBDIVISION  
OWNERS A.W. DISOTELL c/o JOHN DISOTELL**

A motion was made by Member Galvan, seconded by Member Murphree to allow property owner sixty (60) days to secure the structure from public access and make needed repairs to the roof to bring the structure up to standards of Ordinance 0-12-11. The motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT  
702 POWDERHORN, LOT 4, BLOCK 4 – VALLE VISTA SUBDIVISION  
OWNER HERMAN E. HENDRIX ESTATE**

Ms. Garrett presented the Commission with a letter from Teresa Hendrix Archer, who is the last known living heir of Herman Hendrix, which states she does not have any attachment to this house.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER ACTION ON SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT  
702 POWDERHORN, LOT 4, BLOCK 4 – VALLE VISTA SUBDIVISION  
OWNER HERMAN E. HENDRIX ESTATE**

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Member Murphree, seconded by Member Galvan to condemn the structure and order it demolished. The motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT  
512 EAST COLLEGE, LOT 2A, BLOCK 29 – ORIGINAL TOWN SUBDIVISION  
OWNER CRYSTAL DAWN WINCHESTER**

Ms. Garrett informed the Commission the property owner had the burnt structure torn down and presented a picture of the cleared lot. Property owner was also present and showed a picture of the cleared lot.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER ACTION ON SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT  
512 EAST COLLEGE, LOT 2A, BLOCK 29 – ORIGINAL TOWN SUBDIVISION  
OWNER CRYSTAL DAWN WINCHESTER**

No action required.

**PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT  
529 EAST EDMONSON, LOT 4A, BLOCK 2 – F.M. COKER SUBDIVISION  
OWNER ELIZABETH CARDENAS**

Ms. Garrett explained this item will need to be tabled and addressed at a future meeting due to both notification letters were returned to her.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER ACTION ON SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT  
529 EAST EDMONSON, LOT 4A, BLOCK 2 – F.M. COKER SUBDIVISION  
OWNER ELIZABETH CARDENAS**

Item tabled.

**PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT  
725 SOUTH PRAIRIEVILLE, LOT 6, BLOCK 7 – PARK HIGHLANDS SUBDIVISION  
OWNER BEATRICE E. TURRUBIARTES**

Ladislado Adame, father of property owner was present. Mr. Adame stated he has been working on the outside of the structure, making repairs around the chimney that had been damaged by fire, painting the structure and clearing the lot of debris and trash. Mr. Adame stated he plans to continue working on the structure so that his daughter will be able to move into the house once the work is complete.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER ACTION ON SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT  
725 SOUTH PRAIRIEVILLE, LOT 6, BLOCK 7 – PARK HIGHLANDS SUBDIVISION  
OWNER BEATRICE E. TURRUBIARTES**

A motion was made by Member Galvan, seconded by Member Murphree to allow property owner ninety (90) days to complete the renovations on outside of the structure. The motion carried unanimously.

**HEAR UPDATES FROM CODE ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR**

Sheila Garrett, Code Enforcement Coordinator, updated the following:

1. 806 England
2. 702 North Gauntt

**OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN**  
(Citizens appearing during this item will be allowed to present their concern, however, members of the Substandard Building Commission are prohibited from entering into deliberation and the item may be referred to a future agenda for discussion.)

None

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned.

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**PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2016.**

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Tere Lawyer, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Sheila Garrett, Code Enforcement Coordinator