

**APPEALS STANDING COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES
June 10, 2021**

PRESENT: Councillor David Hendsbee, Chair
Councillor Pam Lovelace, Vice Chair
Councillor Becky Kent
Councillor Patty Cuttell
Councillor Iona Stoddard
Councillor Lisa Blackburn

STAFF: Karen MacDonald, Senior Solicitor
Tanya Phillips, Manager, By-law Standards
Scott Hill, Supervisor, Regional Compliance
Vicki Pelley, Compliance Officer, By-law Standards
Haruka Aoyama, Legislative Assistant
Liam Power, Legislative Assistant

The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.

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Draft Minutes
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The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m., and the Standing Committee adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the special meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 13, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT the minutes of May 13, 2021 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

5. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

6. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

6.1 Correspondence – NONE

6.2 Petitions – NONE

7. REPORTS

7.1 DANGEROUS OR UNSIGHTLY PREMISES: DEMOLITIONS

7.1.1 Case 354982: Property located at 20 Humbolt Lane, Portuguese Cove

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated May 31, 2021
- A staff presentation dated June 10, 2021

The Standing Committee confirmed that executors of an estate (property) were in attendance.

Vicki Pelley, Compliance Officer, Buildings and Compliance presented Case 354982: Property located at 20 Humbolt Lane, Portuguese Cove, NS and showed photographs of the property taken May 31, 2021.

Doug Garrison and Jackie Garrison, executors of an estate (property), spoke to history of the property in terms of ownership status and the current situation they are in regarding title to the property.

MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT the Appeals Standing Committee find the property to be dangerous or unsightly as per section 3(q) of the Charter and as per section 356 of the Charter, orders demolition of the main structure including but not limited to, the removal of all demolition debris, backfilling of any

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foundation or crawl space, and disconnecting any and all utility connections to the standard set by each respective utility service provider, so as to leave the property in a neat, tidy, environmentally compliant and safe condition within thirty (30) days after the Order is posted in a conspicuous place upon the property or personally served upon the owner. Otherwise, the Municipality will exercise its rights as set forth under Part XV (15) of the Charter.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

7.1.2 Case 354983: Property located at 21 Humbolt Lane, Portuguese Cove

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated May 31, 2021
- A staff presentation dated June 10, 2021

Vicki Pelley, Compliance Officer, Buildings and Compliance presented Case 354982: Property located at 21 Humbolt Lane, Portuguese Cove, NS and showed photographs of the property taken May 31, 2021.

Doug Garrison, executor of an estate (property), spoke to history of the property, and fishing gears.

MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT the Appeals Standing Committee find the property to be dangerous or unsightly as per section 3(q) of the Charter and as per section 356 of the Charter, orders demolition of the main structure including but not limited to, the removal of all demolition debris, backfilling of any foundation or crawl space, and disconnecting any and all utility connections to the standard set by each respective utility service provider, so as to leave the property in a neat, tidy, environmentally compliant and safe condition within thirty (30) days after the Order is posted in a conspicuous place upon the property or personally served upon the owner. Otherwise, the Municipality will exercise its rights as set forth under Part XV (15) of the Charter.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

7.1.3 Case 355330: Property located at 38 Sunset Drive, Watt Section

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated May 31, 2021
- A staff presentation dated June 10, 2021

Vicki Pelley, Compliance Officer, Buildings and Compliance presented Case 355330: Property located at 38 Sunset Drive, Watt Section NS and showed photographs of the property taken May 31, 2021.

The Standing Committee confirmed the property owner was in attendance.

David Stainton and Carolyn Vaughan, property owners, noted that they have been done what is necessary after being notified of the situation of the property and they have been in close contact with a compliance officer in the process. David Stainton and Carolyn Vaughan noted they are willing to maintain property's safety and address unsightly issues and asked the Committee to extend the timeline.

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT the Appeals Standing Committee defer item 7.1.3 Case 355330: Property located at 38 Sunset Drive, Watt Section for 90 days.

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7.1.4 Case 355761: Property located at 1228 St Margarets Bay Rd, Beechville

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Vicki Pelley, Compliance Officer, Buildings and Compliance presented Case 355761 1228 St Margarets Bay Rd, Beechville, NS and showed photographs of the property taken May 31, 2021.

Osborne Wyse, property owner, and Lenny Ash, son of the property owner spoke to ages of the property and mentioned that they applied for demolition permits. They asked the Committee to consider extending compliance period to 60 days.

MOVED by Councillor Stoddard, seconded by Councillor Kent

THAT the Appeals Standing Committee find the property to be dangerous or unsightly as per section 3(q) of the Charter and as per section 356 of the Charter, orders demolition of the main structure including but not limited to, the removal of all demolition debris, backfilling of any foundation or crawl space, and disconnecting any and all utility connections to the standard set by each respective utility service provider, so as to leave the property in a neat, tidy, environmentally compliant and safe condition within sixty (60) days after the Order is posted in a conspicuous place upon the property or personally served upon the owner. Otherwise, the Municipality will exercise its rights as set forth under Part XV (15) of the Charter

AMENDED MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – July 8, 2021

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

Haruka Aoyama
Legislative Assistant