



January 8, 2020

Sewickley Council
Borough of Sewickley
601 Thorn St
Sewickley, PA 15143

Subject: Monthly Code Enforcement, Zoning, and Building Permit Report.

Dear Council,

The following are updates on action items since the previous Council meeting.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

New complaints being investigated:

901 Harkness Ln - Grass

01.08.20 Notice received 12.14.19 allowing for 00 days remediation for overgrown weeds. Owner spoke to Code Enforcement on 01.03.20 regaining maintenance.

516 Beaver St – Trash Storage

01.08.20 Notice received 12.20.19 allowing for 10 days remediation for lack of proper trash containment. Property was reinspected on 01.06.20; item to be closed.

443 Division St – Stormwater/Downspouts

01.08.20 Notice received 01.06.20 allowing for 10 days remediation for missing downspouts. and 10 days for overgrown pans. Reinspection scheduled for 01.16.20

Ongoing investigations/Citations:

808 Lake St – Property Maintenance, Trash

- 12.04.19 Notice received 11.13.19 allowing for 30 days remediation for Property Maintenance issues and 10 days for trash removal.
- 01.08.20 Property was posted on 12.17.19. The violations were not remediated, and a Citation will be filed with the Magistrate.

305 Frederick Ave - Sidewalk

- 12.04.19 Notice received 11.16.19 allowing for 10 days remediation. Property was reinspected on 12.02.19.
- 01.08.20 Sidewalk addressed; item to be closed.

14 Dickson Rd – Property Maintenance, Weeds

- 12.04.19 Notice received 11.25.19 allowing for 30 days remediation for Property Maintenance issues and 10 days for overgrown pans. Reinspection scheduled for 12.05.19 for weeds.
- 01.08.20 Property was posted on 01.06.20 allowing 10 days for remediation. Reinspection scheduled for 01.16.20.

111 Grove St Ext – Stormwater

- 11.05.19 Notice hand-delivered and property posted on 11.01.19. Owner spoke with Code Enforcement to discuss present issues and remediation requirements.
- 12.04.19 Stop Work Order issued 11.19.19. Allegheny County Conservation District inspected for Stormwater issues. Property Owner to provide Code Enforcement with proper documentation & plans.
- 01.08.20 Property Owner has had discussion with Harshman Engineering regarding the required drawings and documents. The process is ongoing.

802 McDonald St – Property Maintenance

- 11.05.19 Notice received 11.02.19, allowing for 30 days remediation on all open Property Maintenance issues. Reinspection scheduled for 12.02.19.
- 12.04.19 Code Enforcement received a letter from the Property Owners requesting a remediation plan.
- 01.08.20 Discussion with Borough ongoing related to remediation.

338 Centennial Ave – Property Maintenance

- 08.06.19 Notice Sent 08.9.19.
- 09.04.19 Owner spoke with Code Enforcement on 08.30.19 to discuss remediation plan.
- 10.02.19 Citation Sent 09.18.19.
- 11.05.19 Hearing scheduled for 11.06.19.



- 12.04.19 Magistrate granted continuance until 01.15.20 to allow for adequate weather for remediation.
- 01.08.20 Violations were remediated; Citation to be withdrawn and item closed.

607 Maple Ln – Sidewalk, Fence, Garage, Tree

- 06.04.19 Notice sent on 06.19.19. Owner spoke with Code
- 07.01.19 Owner spoke with Code Enforcement on 06.27.19 to discuss actions needed. A request of 60 days was granted for all violation items.
- 08.06.19 Monitoring progress. Reinspection scheduled for 08.26.19.
- 09.04.19 Spoke with owner on 08.22.19. Last item on list, the garage, requires removal. Short extension granted to line up company.
- 10.02.19 Citation Sent 09.24.19.
- 11.05.19 Hearing scheduled for 11.06.19.
- 12.04.19 Magistrate granted continuance until 12.18.19 requiring application for a Demo Permit and date for demolition.
- 01.08.20 All violations remediated; item to be closed.

919 Dickson Ave – Structure, Trash

- 08.06.19 Notice Sent on 07.26.19. Owner spoke with Code Enforcement on 07.29.19 regarding cleanup, the allowable timeframe, and proper communication.
- 09.04.19 Reinspection scheduled for 09.26.19.
- 10.02.19 Citation Sent 09.27.19.
- 11.05.19 Magisterial Hearing scheduled for 12.04.19.
- 12.04.19 Magisterial Hearing rescheduled for 12.11.19.
- 01.08.20 Magisterial Hearing rescheduled for 01.15.20.

929 Crescent Ave – Dangerous Structure

- 07.01.19 At the request of the Borough, the property was inspected by Jamie Harshman, PE.
- 08.06.19 Monitoring.
- 09.04.19 Monitoring.
- 10.02.19 At the request of the Borough, Code Enforcement issued a response letter, dated 09.25.19, confirming the property to be a “Dangerous Building” based on the report of Jamie Harshman, PE on 06.25.19 and in accordance with Borough of Sewickley Ordinance §149.
- 11.05.19 Item remains open.
- 12.04.19 Item remains open.
- 01.08.20 Item remains open.



860 Nevin Ave – Structure, Junk

- 06.04.19 Notice received on 06.13.19 allowing 60 days for remediation.
- 07.01.19 Continuing to monitor.
- 08.06.19 Reinspection scheduled for 08.12.19.
- 09.04.19 Property has open building permit until 09.26.20.
- 10.02.19 Citation Sent 09.18.19.
- 11.05.19 Magisterial Hearing scheduled for 11.06.19.
- 12.04.19 Magistrate granted continuance until 01.08.19 to allow for remediation requiring Owner provide construction schedule. Work discussed does not require a permit.
- 01.08.20 Code Enforcement attended a Magisterial Hearing on 01.08.20. The Owner was found Guilty of all Citations and fine will be enforced.

Tallied new complaints investigated are as follows:

- Structures – 0
- Trash / Rubbish / Junk – 1
- Grass / Trees - 1
- Other – 1

MAGISTERIAL HEARINGS

860 Nevin Avenue – Property Maintenance

Code Enforcement attended a Magisterial Hearing on 01.08.20. The property owner did not show up and was found guilty of all Citations issued. A fine will be issued by the Magistrates Office.

BUILDING & ZONING PERMITS

Building Permits:

1. 437-439 Division Street – Commercial Alterations
2. 329 Centennial Avenue – Porch Roof
3. 325 Blackburn Road – Commercial Alterations
4. 824 Beaver Street – Residential Alterations

Occupancy Permits:

1. None

Zoning Permits:

1. 620 Straight Street - Fence
- Total Zoning Permits: \$126**



Business Occupancy Permits:

1. None

ZONING MEETINGS

Historical Review Commission:

The following addresses / items are to be heard at the Historic Review Meeting on January 13, 2020.

1. 21 Centennial Avenue – Exterior Renovation

Zoning Hearing Board Hearings:

The following addresses / items are to be heard at the Zoning Hearing Board hearing on January 7, 2020.

1. None

Please contact our office at any time with questions.



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