



August 31, 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:**

##### **818 Hill St – Animal Nuisance**

08.31.20 Notice received 08.10.20 allowing for 10 days remediation of an animal nuisance. If no further complaints received, item will be closed.

##### **437 Beaver St – Sidewalk**

08.31.20 Notice sent allowing for 10 days remediation of sidewalk repair.

#### **Ongoing investigations/Citations:**

##### **905 Beaver St – Animal Nuisance/Swimming Pool**

08.04.20 Notice received 07.21.20 allowing for 10 days remediation of an animal nuisance. Property owner also sent letter regarding permit requirements for a swimming pool.

08.31.20 Notice of Violation sent allowing for 10 days to apply for zoning approval and a building permit. Animal nuisance was removed from property.

202 Bank St – Property Maintenance

- 08.04.20 Notice sent, not yet received, allowing for 30 days remediation of property maintenance issues.
- 08.31.20 Notice not yet received.

932 Crescent Ave – Property Maintenance

- 06.03.20 Notice returned to Code Enforcement 05.26.20. Sent via First Class on 06.03.20 for remediation of property maintenance issues.
- 07.08.20 Property reinspected and posted on 06.25.20 after Notice of Violation was returned undeliverable.
- 08.04.20 Posting period passed; reinspection showed no progress. Reviewing Dangerous Building Ordinance.
- 08.31.20 Next Enforcement action will be under Dangerous Building Ordinance.

4 Gray Ln – Stop Work Order

- 06.03.20 Stop Work Order and Notice of Violation delivered to property on 05.28.20 for working without proper permitting. Visual inspection on 06.01.20 confirmed that no further work is going on at the property. Notice requested property owner contact Code Enforcement for permits and remediation needs.
- 07.08.20 Work has not continued on the property. Property owner contacted Code Enforcement regarding remediation requirements.
- 08.04.20 Work has not continued.
- 08.31.20 Work has not continued.

410 Beaver St – Stop Work Order

- 06.03.20 Stop Work Order and Notice of Violation delivered to property on 06.01.20 for working without proper permitting. Owner contacted Code Enforcement on 06.03.20 to discuss remediation.
- 07.08.20 Work has not continued on the property. Property owner contacted Code Enforcement and LSSE regarding remediation requirements.
- 08.04.20 Work has not continued.
- 08.31.20 Property owner contacted Code Enforcement and LSSE with a preliminary reduced scope of work which would not require an Engineering review of Hoey's Run. Item to be closed.



#### Orchard Ter – Retaining Wall

- 04.07.20 Notice received 04.02.20 allowing for 10 days remediation to repair a deteriorating retaining wall. Notice was sent to 3 different addresses for property owner.
- 05.04.20 Property posted 04.21.20.
- 06.03.20 Property owner contacted Code Enforcement on 06.02.20 to discuss remediation. Citation remains open.
- 07.08.20 Magisterial Hearing scheduled for 09.16.20.
- 08.04.20 Magisterial Hearing scheduled for 09.16.20.
- 08.31.20 Magisterial Hearing scheduled for 09.16.20.

#### 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.
- 02.05.20 Citations were filed with the Magistrate on 01.15.20.
- 03.04.20 Citation remains open.
- 04.07.20 Citation remains open.
- 05.04.20 Citation remains open.
- 06.03.20 Citation remains open.
- 07.08.20 Citation remains open.
- 08.04.20 Citation remains open.
- 08.31.20 Certified Summons Accepted, no plea entered.

#### 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.
- 02.05.20 Citations were filed with the Magistrate on 01.21.20.
- 03.04.20 Magisterial Hearing scheduled for 03.11.20.
- 04.07.20 Magisterial Hearing on 03.11.20 resulted in the Judge issuing a continuance until 06.03.20 to remediate property
- 05.04.20 Magisterial Hearing remains scheduled for 06.03.20.
- 06.03.20 Magisterial Hearing rescheduled to 07.01.20
- 07.08.20 Magisterial Hearing rescheduled to 08.05.20.
- 08.04.20 Property Owner applied for and received a Building Permit to demolish the structure. Work to begin on 08.04.20. Continuance requested to allow for work to be completed and inspections.
- 08.31.20 Property was demolished and passed UCC inspection. Citations were withdrawn. Item to be closed.



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.
- 02.05.20 Item remains open.
- 03.04.20 Item remains open.
- 04.07.20 Item remains open.
- 05.04.20 Item remains open.
- 06.03.20 Item remains open.
- 07.08.20 Item remains open.
- 08.04.20 Item remains open.
- 08.31.20 Borough is discussing remediation options/investigations.

Tallied new complaints investigated are as follows:

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

### **MAGISTERIAL HEARINGS**

**None**

### **BUILDING & ZONING PERMITS**

#### **Building Permits:**

1. 615 Fountain Street – Garage
2. 321 Beaver Street – Patio/Roof

#### **Zoning Permits:**

1. 729 Nevin Avenue – Retaining Wall/Walk/Patio
2. 244 Thorn Street – Sidewalk Repair



## ZONING MEETINGS

### Historical Review Commission:

The following addresses / items are to be heard at the Historic Review Meeting on September 14, 2020.

1. Review of §198 Historic Districts

### Zoning Hearing Board Hearings:

The following addresses / items are to be heard at the Zoning Hearing Board hearing on September 1, 2020.

1. 417 Centennial Ave – Variance for Open Off-Street Parking in Front Yard

Please contact our office at any time with questions.



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