

BLIGHT PREVENTION BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

January 11, 2024

Note: This meeting was held remotely by Zoom  
(DRAFT)

**ATTENDANCE:**

Blight Prevention Board

Russ Blair	<u>    X    </u>
Rick Burke	<u>    X    </u>
Jeff Stewart	<u>    X    </u>
Joe Strickland	<u>    X    </u>
Lynn Goldberg	<u>    X    </u>

Blight Prevention Board Staff

Michele Onofrio	<u>    X    </u>
Steve Smith	<u>    X    </u>

November Minutes were approved. No December meeting took place.

**Old Business**

**233 Hillspoint – Gilbert Cohen**

The contract purchaser attended the meeting. He is hoping to purchase the property within 30 days. He explained to the Board, securing the loan is holding up the process. He is aware of the Blight fine and plans on remediating upon ownership.

**8 Palmieri Road**

Michele Onofrio reported to the Board and others in attendance that Planning and Zoning has a violation/fine on the storage container in the back yard. The Board agreed it falls under the prevue of Planning and Zoning. Rick Burke motioned to take the property off the agenda, Lynn Goldberg seconded, and the Board unanimously agreed.

**2 Palmieri Road**

Michele Onofrio reported the new fence is up, the owner also did miscellaneous repairs on the outside of the house. Michele Onofrio reported, she spoke to the neighbor, and she was pleased with the new fence and the prior removal of the boat and vehicle. Lynn Goldberg motioned to take the property off the agenda, Russ Blair seconded, and the Board unanimously agreed.

#### **4 Hunting Lane**

Michele Onofrio showed the Board photos of the property. The owner attended the meeting. The direct next-door neighbor spoke about the vehicle under a tarp that he can view from his window. The owner explained that the vehicle is operable, and he pays taxes on it, it is not being used at this time but runs. The owner agreed to repair a broken garage window and will send Steve Smith a photo upon completion. Rick Burke motioned to take the property off the agenda, Lynn Goldberg seconded, and the Board unanimously agreed.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The hearing adjourned at 7:40 P.M. Our next meeting will be February 8, 2024.

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Michele Onofrio, Secretary

#### **Distribution:**

Mary Young, Director, Planning & Zoning  
Elaine Daignault, Department of Human Services  
Foti Koskinas, Chief of Police  
Mark Cooper, Director, Health District  
Mark Amatrudo, Interim Fire Chief  
Donna Douglass, Historic District Commission  
Jennifer Tooker, First Selectwoman