

**MINUTES OF THE
REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE
CITY HALL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
111 NORTH MAIN STREET
JANUARY 19, 2021
5:00 p.m.**

ATTENDEES: Chairman Greg Hahn
Councilman Peter Kefley
Councilwoman Brittany Barney (virtually)

ABSENT: Thomas DeNoto, Assessor
Roger Rousseau, Purchasing Agent

OTHER ATTENDEES: Raymond Rogozinski, Director of Public Works
Jeffrey Steeg, Assistant Corporation Counsel
Noelle Bates, Recording Secretary

ITEM #1 – CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hahn called the Tuesday, January 19, 2021 Real Estate Committee meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ITEM #2 – APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2020.

It was **MOVED** by Councilman Kelley and **seconded** by Councilwoman Barney to **approve** the minutes of the Real Estate Committee meeting of November 17, 2020. All voted in favor.

ITEM #3 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Taylor Whitten, 503 Waterbury Road addressed the Committee about the lot next door to him that the City just acquired known as Lot #12 Waterbury Road. They recently purchased their property and the previous owners left them to clean up the property which he has been doing. He showed the Committee pictures from the previous owner and how the structures were encroaching on the City's property which he has been trying to clean up. He is interested in acquiring the property.

Attorney Steeg gave the background on the property and stated that the appraised value was \$42,500 and the assessed value was \$29,000. He suggested selling it with restriction of merging the two properties.

IT was MOVED by Councilman Kelley and SECONDED by Councilwoman Barney to refer this matter to Planning for an 8-24 review and to the Water Department and Public Works to see if they had a use for the property. All voted in favor.

**ITEM #4 – NEW BUSINESS
ITEM #4 A – 2021 CALENDAR – APPROVAL**

The Committee reviewed the calendar dates for the 2021 calendar year which will stay the third Tuesday of the month at 5:00 p.m.

IT was MOVED by Councilman Kelley and SECONDED by Councilwoman Barney to approve the 2021 Calendar. All voted in favor.

**ITEM #5 – OLD BUSINESS
ITEM #5A – BROOK STREET – ENCROACHMENT ON CITY PROPERTY**

Attorney Steeg stated that he spoke with Rob Longo, Superintendent of Water and Sewer and Rob would like an easement. He then met with Ray Rogozinski, Director of Personnel and Rob Longo (virtually) and Ray suggested to have a survey done so they can see where the water main easements are located. If the water main is encroaching on the neighbor's property, the Water Department will give an easement. Attorney Steeg stated that the Water Department will pay for the survey.

No action taken.

ITEM #5B – LOT #12 WATERBURY ROAD – ACQUISITION THROUGH FORECLOSURE

This item was brought under Public Participation. No further action taken.

ITEM #5C – ORPHAN PROPERTIES LOCATED ON JENNINGS TERRACE, EUGENE AVENUE AND MOUNTAIN VIEW TERRACE

Attorney Steeg reviewed each of the properties that were discussed in previous meetings. The only one worth conducting a foreclosure on would be the Eugene Avenue property as there are \$40,000 in back taxes.

No action taken.

ITEM #5C – PAVED SPRING COMPANY, INC. – OFFER OF 3 LOTS ON 137 VINCENT P. KELLY ROAD

Ray Rogozinski stated that the City hired Fuss & O'Neil to do a cost analysis for environmental clean-up on and they came back with a price of \$6,290,000.00 and the cost to install an environmental cap is \$43,000.00. The Assessor values the property at \$300,000 therefore we are taking no action at this time.

No action taken.

ITEM #5D – LOT 6, 7, 8 WITCHES ROCK ROAD – STATUS OF LISTING

Attorney Steeg stated that he spoke with Roger Rousseau and he has had several calls about the property but no offers.

No action taken.

ITEM #6 – ADJOURN

IT was MOVED by Councilman Kelley **and SECONDED** by Councilwoman Barney to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 p.m. All voted in favor.

Greg Hahn, Chairman
Real Estate Committee

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cc: Ellen Zoppo-Sassu Mayor
Members of the Bristol City Council
Wyland Dale Clift, Corp. Counsel
Jeffrey R. Steeg, Assistant Corp. Council
Therese Pac, Town & City Clerk
Thomas DeNoto, Assessor
Roger Rousseau, Purchasing Agent
Robert Flanagan, City Planner
Ray Rogozinski, Public Works Director
Robert Longo, Superintendent of Water and Sewer

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