

**Enfield Blight Review Committee Meeting
Scitico Room – Enfield Town Hall
Thursday, February 1, 2024 3:00 PM**

A meeting of the Enfield Blight Review Committee was held in the Scitico Room at the Enfield Town Hall on Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 3:05 pm.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Ken Nelson Jr – Town Council Liaison, Councilor John Santanella – Town Council Liaison, James Byrne, Jennifer Bruyette, Mary Ann Turner

Also Present: Kristy Koistinen, Acting Director of Economic & Community Development

Approval of Minutes

December 14, 2023 – Jennifer Bruyette made a motion, seconded by Councilor Santanella to amend the minutes under Adjournment to, “Jennifer Bruyette made a motion to adjourn at 7:28 pm, seconded by Mary Ann Turner. The motion was approved **4-0-0.**” The motion was approved 4-0-1 with James Byrne abstaining.

A motion was made by Jennifer Bruyette and seconded by Mary Ann Turner to approve the amended minutes. The motion was approved 4-0-1 with James Byrne abstaining.

New Business

None

Old Business

Property Maintenance Ordinance Updates – The committee discussed the draft revisions to the Property Maintenance Ordinance. A new program has been recommended that would incentivize buyers to purchase blighted properties, rehabilitate the home and then live there. It was recommended that this program would freeze the assessed value from the final inspection by the Building Department through 5 years the property is the primary residence of the buyer. This would be eligible for single family and multifamily (1-4 unit) homes. To qualify, the buyer must spend 30% or more of the assessed value for the property improvements which must include bringing the property into compliance if any outstanding blight violations. Staff will work on finalizing the parameters of the program and rediscuss with the Committee at the next meeting.

Discussion Items

Lien/Property Updates – Kristy Koistinen provided an update on some of the current and open property maintenance liens.

Adjournment

Jennifer Bruyette made a motion to adjourn at 5:05 pm, seconded by Councilor Santanella. The motion was approved 5-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristy Koistinen
Office of Economic & Community Development