

PROPERTY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE
Citizen's Code Academy
MEETING MINUTES
June 26, 2019

Present: Chair Bill Schmidt, Sandy Gresak, Jim Hilborn, Paul Gasiiecki,

Also Present: *Staff liaison:* Tom Bialas, Steve Kalish, Trustee Chester Pojack, Trustee Mike Light

Absent: Mohammed Siddiqi, Syed Razvi, Don Williams

Chairman Schmidt called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

Minutes

The March 27, 2019 minutes were approved.

Note: No minutes for the April 24, 2019 and May 22, 2019 meetings due to meeting cancelations.

Discussion Items: Landlord / Managers Meeting

- Chapter 3 – Landlord & Tenants Review
 - Assistant to the Director Bialas and Lead Code Enforcement Officer Kalish presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the material covered in Chapter 3 of the Rental Property Crime Prevention Partnership Single Family Rental Residential Properties Manual and Multiple-Family Rental Residential Properties Manual. The presentation and discussion included the importance of landlords/managers protecting their rights and the rights of their tenants. Maintaining rental property and being responsive to tenant complaints was discussed. The presentation stressed the importance of having a legal lease agreement, monitoring compliance with that lease, and a good legal representative to protect both ownership and tenant rights.
 - Owners were made aware of the pending amendment to the Illinois Human Rights Act, IL SB1780, which is related to owners or other persons engaging in real estate transactions refusing to engage in the actions specified in the amendment because of an arrest record. Owners were advised to contact their legal representatives to obtain more information on the amended Illinois Human Rights Act, which goes into effect January 1, 2020, to ensure they implement any needed changes to their business operations.
- Landlords & Tenants and the 2020 Census.
 - Information from the United States Census Bureau regarding the 2020 Census was provided to the owners. The importance of the owners communicating with their tenants that full participation with the Census by tenants was extremely important. Especially as the population count relates to the total number of persons residing at an address. Owners were reminded that the Census data is not reported to Community Development and is only used by the Census Bureau as authorized. The population information from the Census is used to determine seats in Congress and to guide how federal funding is distributed. Tenants should be encouraged to fully cooperate with the census process.

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Topic of Discussion – Miscellaneous Discussion by Committee

- Member Gasiiecki advised there are notices/advertisements posted on the stop sign posts in the area of Polo Club and Paul. Streets Department to be notified to clear the posts.
- Chairman Schmidt advised 668 Leslie Lane, while having had the long grass cut, still has areas that have long grass. Code Enforcement is already working with that location and the property will be checked based on this additional information.

Next Meeting:

- Reminder – No Village meetings in July.
- The next Property Enhancement Committee Meeting will be August 28, 2019 at 6:30 pm with the Landlord/Managers Meeting in the Council Chamber at Village Hall.

Adjourn: Chairman Schmidt adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.