

**Enfield Blight Review Committee Meeting
Scitico Room – Enfield Town Hall
Thursday March 23, 2023 5:30 PM**

A meeting of the Enfield Blight Review Committee was held in the Scitico Room at the Enfield Town Hall on Thursday, March 23, 2023 at 5:30pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Nick Hopkins – Town Council Liaison, Ken Nelson Jr – Town Council Liaison, Karen Prague, James Byrne, Jessica Martin

Also Present: Nelson Tereso, Director of Economic & Community Development
Kristy Koistinen, Community Development Specialist

New Business

34 Jondot Drive – The real estate agent representing Fannie Mae, Debra Colli, was present. Town staff provided the committee with some background on the property and violation process. Debra advised that Fannie Mae has already trashed out the inside of the property and plans to complete the entire home and ultimately sell it. A discussion took place to determine what the appropriate amount of property maintenance fines would be for this property.

Ken Nelson made a motion to reduce the fines to \$20,000 with the condition that the rehabilitation of the home is completed and the property is sold by December 31, 2023. No second, motion failed.

Jessica Martin made a motion to reduce the fines to \$10,000 with the condition that the rehabilitation of the home is complete by December 31, 2023. No second, motion failed.

James Byrne made a motion to reduce the fines to \$10,000 with the condition that the rehabilitation of the home is complete and the property is sold by December 31, 2023, seconded by Nick Hopkins.

Karen Prague amended the motion to reduce the fines to \$10,000 with the condition that the rehabilitation of the home is complete by December 31, 2023, seconded by Jessica Martin. **Motion passed 4-1-0.** Ken Nelson voted against.

25 Lincoln Street – The attorney, Steven Greenfield, representing owner, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, attended the meeting virtually. Town staff provided the committee with some background on the property and the violation process. Attorney Greenfield provided background on the property and suggested the fines be reduced to the number of days Metropolitan Life Insurance Company was in possession of the property which began on November 21, 2022. The owner took title by foreclosure on March 1, 2022 but due to eviction proceedings they only had access to the property once the eviction was closed on November 11, 2022. The violation was resolved on February 2, 2023 which would total 73 days in violation. The fine of \$75 per day, for 73 days would be \$5,475 plus the \$24 lien fee totaling \$5,499.

Jessica Martin made a motion to reduce the fines to \$5,499 for the 73 days in violation plus the \$24 lien fee, seconded by Karen Prague. **Motion passed 4-1-0.** Ken Nelson voted against.

Discussion Items

Town staff reviewed the status of current open violations at multiple properties. Staff confirmed a meeting will most likely be held within the next few weeks to review 10 Parker Street.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by James Byrne, seconded by Ken Nelson. Motion passes 5-0-0.
The meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristy Koistinen
Office of Economic & Community Development