

BOARD OF HEALTH AGENDA

Monday, August 8, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. Springfield City Hall 170 North 3rd Street

- 1. Call meeting to order
- 2. Roll call
- 3. Approve Minutes of the July 11, 2016, Board of Health meeting
- 4. Communication and Bills
- 5. Report of Officers and Committees
- 6. Old Business
 - a. **Tabled July 11, 2016.** Determine if Lot 39, Highview Addition to the City of Springfield, Nebraska (345 Valley Drive; Smith) is a public nuisance as defined in Springfield Municipal Code §4-301 Nuisances; Specifically Defined
 - b. **Tabled July 11, 2016.** Determine if Lot 7, Block 1, Springfield Addition to the City of Springfield, Nebraska (460 Cedar Street; Powles) is a public nuisance as defined in Springfield Municipal Code §4-301 Nuisances; Specifically Defined
 - c. **Tabled July 11, 2016.** Determine if Lot 28, Highview Addition to the City of Springfield, Nebraska (525 Valley Drive; Gibbs) is a public nuisance as defined in Springfield Municipal Code §4-301 Nuisances; Specifically Defined
- 7. New Business
- 8. Adjournment

MINUTES

Agenda Item 1. A regular meeting of the Board of Health of the City of Springfield, Nebraska was held at 7:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall on August 8, 2016. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by posting in three public places, one of the designated methods of giving notice. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to the Board of Health and a copy of their receipt of notice is attached to these Minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Board of Health of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. Bob Roseland publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open

Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

Agenda Item 2. Present: Mayor Bob Roseland, Lt. Mike Erhart, Jeff Kreifels. Absent. Council President Chad Nolte.

<u>Agenda Item 3.</u> Motion by Kreifels, seconded by Erhart, to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2016, meeting. AYES: Roseland, Kreifels, Erhart. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 4. None.

Agenda Item 5. None.

<u>Agenda Item 6A.</u> The Board tabled action on this item at the July 11, 2016, meeting, allowing the property owners of 345 Valley Drive time to address nuisance concerns identified on July 11.

City Administrator, Kathleen Gottsch, introduced the following exhibits to the Board:

Exhibit 4 – Photographs of the property dated August 4, 2016

Exhibit 5 – Photographs of the property dated August 4, 2016

Heather Smith, property owner, asked for copies of the photographs and stated that, since the photos had been taken, the items in question have been stored or removed. She inquired as to who makes up the Board of Health and if they are elected officials. Gottsch informed her that state statute dictates the makeup of the Board. Members must include the Mayor, City Council President, one law enforcement official and one medical professional. State statute allows an alternate to be chosen if law enforcement or medical professional seats cannot be filled. All members are appointed by the City Council.

Smith provided electronic photographs taken of her property late afternoon on August 8, 2016, showing that the property has been cleaned up.

Smith feels the complaints are never going to end. She feels she is being harassed by neighbors. Roseland stated that the Board does not drive around looking for problem properties. He further noted that Smith lives on a highly visible street and other residents, not just her neighbors, notice nuisance violations.

Lt. Mike Erhart pointed out how quickly things begin to pile up and remarked that the clutter in the driveway has now been eliminated.

Dale and Cindy Arndt, relatives of Heather Smith, inquired as to what other nuisance concerns still need to be addressed. Kreifels informed the Arndts that the toys were never an issue. The ladders and gas cans randomly placed in the yard were what were discussed in the previous meeting. Arndt stated that rakes and ladders in the yard are just a part of living.

Roseland pointed out that when the City receives complaints, we have to follow-up. He also commented on the property looking very nice at this time.

Motion by Erhart, seconded by Kreifels, to withdraw the nuisance complaint since nuisance violations have been addressed and cleaned up. AYES: Roseland, Kreifels, Erhart. NAYS: None.

<u>Agenda Item 6B.</u> The Board tabled action on this item at the July 11, 2016, meeting, allowing the property owners of 460 Cedar Street time to address nuisance concerns identified on July 11.

City Administrator, Kathleen Gottsch, introduced the following exhibit to the Board:

Exhibit 6 – Photographs of the property dated August 4, 2016

Gottsch noted that the sidewalk and fence have been installed since August 4, but a current photo was not available. She reported that the property owners are in the process of obtaining a building permit to construct a deck and stairs on the front of the house.

Motion by Erhart, seconded by Kreifels, to table agenda item 6B and review the status of the property at 460 Cedar Street at the September 12, 2016, Board of Health meeting. AYES: Roseland, Kreifels, Erhart. NAYS: None.

<u>Agenda Item 6C.</u> The Board tabled action on this item at the July 11, 2016, meeting, allowing the property owner of 525 Valley Drive time to address nuisance concerns identified on July 11.

City Administrator, Kathleen Gottsch, introduced the following exhibit to the Board:

Exhibit 4 – Photographs of the property dated August 4, 2016

Carrie Gibbs, property owner, explained the circumstances involved in replacing the garage door and requested a 60 day extension. She will either need to purchase a new door or have a relative measure the existing space to determine whether or not a door he has will be compatible. Gibbs reported that the weeds are gone and the car has been removed from the property.

Motion by Kreifels, seconded by Erhart, to table agenda item 6C and review the status of the property at 525 Valley Drive at the October 17, 2016, Board of Health meeting. AYES: Roseland, Kreifels, Erhart. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 7. None.

<u>Agenda Item 8.</u> Motion by Erhart, seconded by Kreifels, to adjourn. AYES: Roseland, Kreifels, Erhart. NAYS: None. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Andie Ledenbach Board of Health Clerk