

May 24, 2016

City Council  
City of Cheviot  
3814 Harrison Avenue  
Cheviot, Ohio 45211

**RE: Housing Committee Meeting**

To All Members of Council:

The Housing Committee met on May 24, 2016 in the meeting room of the Cheviot municipal building. In attendance were committee members William Clark, Dennis Dinkelacker and Chairperson Jim Martin. Also in attendance were President of Council Debbie Slaughter, Councilmember Kitty Zech and Councilmember Jim Sunderhaus. The meeting was called to order at 7:12 PM.

The main purpose of this meeting was to discuss ideas generated by Vision 2020 regarding the housing stock in the city of Cheviot. The Chair presented the ideas and three major areas were discussed. The order of the discussion centered on the creation of a Vacant Property Ordinance, the use of the Chronic Nuisance Ordinance and the creation of a committee to investigate ways to address vacant and foreclosed properties by looking for a method to refurbish the existing stock of housing.

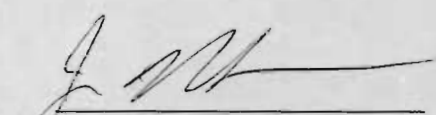
The creation of a Vacant Property Ordinance was quickly addressed. Many municipalities that surround Cheviot have an existing ordinance and the committee unanimously agreed that a similar ordinance for Cheviot would be a sound idea. The Chair was directed by the committee to forward to Law Director Mark Walters an example of a Vacant Property Ordinance for the City of Cheviot for him to draft as well as to see if it meets with compliance.

The use of the Chronic Nuisance ordinance was discussed. The idea to send a copy of this ordinance to any property owner when there is an incident at the property to which they own was agreed to by the committee. Chairman Sunderhaus, of the Safety Committee, stated that his committee was to address this with the Law Director. This then was left for the Safety Committee to address and report.

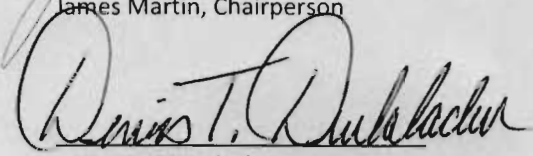
The final topic of the discussion centered on the creation of a group designed to look into finding ways to address blighted homes. The One Dollar Program and Price Hill Will were sighted as examples to begin to focus on this idea. The Chair is to forward to Councilman Clark a statement to post on the Cheviot Facebook page to begin to formulate this committee, others also suggested approaching individuals in the community to participate.

Being no further business for this committee the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 PM.

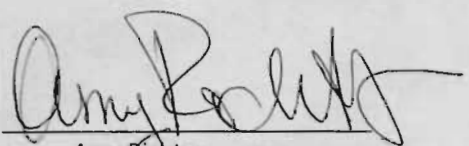
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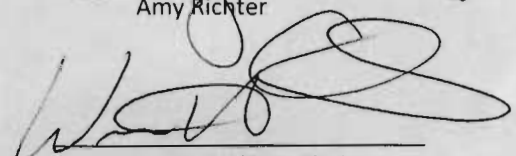
James Martin, Chairperson



Dennis Dinkelacker



Amy Richter



William Clark