## CITY OF WEYAUWEGA PUBLIC HEALTH AND RELIEF (ORDINANCE) COMMITTEE MEETING PROCEEDINGS AUGUST 1, 2022

The Public Health and Relief (Ordinance) Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Litscher at the Weyauwega Municipal Building Council Chambers at 4:30 pm. Roll call was taken. Members Present: Tim Litscher, Kaley DuCoeur and Chris Gunderson. Also Present: City Administrator Jeremy Schroeder and Clerk Rebecca Loehrke.

Motion Litscher, second Gunderson, to approve the minutes from July 12, 2022. Motion carried with all "ayes".

### Citizen Appearances: None

**Ordinance Violations Update:** Schroeder reported that Officer Walby continues to make contacts with residents and have added a few more properties to her list.

<u>Amendment to Ordinance §454-14 Stopping or parking prohibited in certain specified places</u>: No parking in front of a mailbox was discussed at the last committee meeting. Ordinance 2022-1 to amend §454-14 was presented in the packet. *Motion DuCoeur, second Litscher, to approve Ordinance 2022-1 amending §454-14 Stopping or parking prohibited in certain specified places. Motion carried with all "ayes"*.

**Discussion and possible action on blighted properties at 118 E Main Street, 216 E Alfred Street and 309 E Alfred Street:** Committee discussed the three properties that continue to deteriorate. Public Works has cut the grass at 216 E Alfred Street once this summer. Gunderson spoke on the neighbor using the property and driveway. It is a health hazard because she has seen a skunk and rat going into the garage. 309 E Alfred Street has been sitting open since construction work stopped on it over a year ago. Schroeder was able to make contact with the owner of 309 E Alfred Street and was informed that the owner was laid up with medical issues for the last year. He does plan to start on the property soon and will get the outstanding utility account paid up. Schroeder reported on 118 E Main Street on the letters and phones calls by both him and the Building Inspector. The next step will probably be taking them to court. Schroeder will reach out to Attorney Kalny and see what the City can do next on the 118 E Main Street property. Discussion from the committee on increasing our grass cutting charges from \$75 to \$125. Motion Litscher, second Gunderson, to increase grass cutting charges to \$125 per incident. Motion carried with all "ayes". Also discussed adding a service fee to all invoices. Will discuss fees at another meeting.

<u>Administrator's Report:</u> Schroeder reported on the property at the corner of W Main Street and LaSalle Street that is in the Township of Weyauwega that has not been cutting their grass. It has been brought to the attention of the Town of Weyauwega but they have decided not to do anything because they have no way to enforce grass cutting. Officer Walby has talked to the property owners and have asked them to cut the grass since they are in a busy area of the City and would like properties cleaned up before the Fair opens later this month. They have cut about half of it so far.

<u>Set next meeting date and time</u>: The next committee meeting will be held September 13, 2022 at 4:30 pm.

### Such Other Matters as Authorized by Law: None

Motion Litscher, second DuCoeur, to adjourn at 5:02 pm. Motion carried with all "ayes".

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### **Recommendations to the Council:**

- 1. Recommend to approve ordinance 2022-1 amending §454-14 Stopping or parking prohibited in certain specified places.
- 2. Recommend to increase grass cutting charges to \$125 per incident.

Rebecca Loehrke City Clerk