

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
BUILDING AND LANDS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 7:00 P.M.  
MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2020**

**To Order:**

Chairman Clifford Winkel called the Building and Lands Committee meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Roll Call:**

Members present: Chairman Clifford Winkel, Councilman Bruce Abens and Councilwoman Holly Swenk.

Also present: Mayor Kevin Corcoran, Safety-Service Director Jeffrey Armbruster, Councilman Dennis Boose, Councilman Jim Maleski, President Martin DeVries, Assistant Clerk of Council Tara Peet, Law Director Brian Moriarty, Councilwoman Michelle Hung, Computer Services Director Dean Priebe, Clerk of Council Nancy Linden and Chief Building Inspector Guy Fursdon.

**Action on Minutes:**

Chairman Winkel asked if there were any corrections to the minutes dated November 4, 2019. No discussion was offered. The minutes stand approved as submitted.

**Discussion regarding T 49-2020:**

Chairman Winkel asked the Mayor to provide an explanation of T 49-2020.

Mayor Corcoran stated this was legislation that was suggested by the Building Department and he asked the Chief Building Inspector to briefly discuss T 49.

Chief Building Inspector Fursdon stated the changes allow for a one year suspension for a first offense and if the contractor continues to violate code, it gives them a suspension of up to five years. He noted they give contractors ample opportunity to comply.

Chairman Winkel asked for an example of a violation.

Chief Building Inspector Fursdon stated a good example would be if the contractor failed repeatedly to call for an inspection.

Councilman Abens asked if a resident can call the department to find out if a contractor is in good standing with the City.

Chief Building Inspector Fursdon stated they aren't in the business of ruining reputations, but if a contractor weren't in good standing, they would let residents know.

Councilwoman Swenk asked Chief Building Inspector Fursdon if he was in agreement with the language in the legislation as presented.

Chief Building Inspector Fursdon stated yes.

Chairman Winkel stated many municipalities around have varying penalties.

Safety-Service Director Armbruster asked if the comments in the file are public record.

Chief Building Inspector Fursdon stated yes.

Chairman Winkel asked for any additional comments from the Committee. No further discussion was offered.

Chairman Winkel asked for any discussion from the Administration and Council. No discussion was offered.

Chairman Winkel, through YouTube live, asked Assistant Clerk of Council Peet if there were any comments or questions from the YouTube lobby.

Assistant Clerk of Council Peet stated no comments were offered at this time.

Moved by Abens and seconded by Swenk to recommend City Council adopt T 49-2020 as submitted

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 3

No – 0

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Tara L. Peet, MMC  
Assistant Clerk of Council