Mr. Lang called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. The roll was called with six members being present.

Mr. Andersen moved to approve the minutes for the April 7, 2016 meeting. Second by Ms. Bexten.

AYES: Andersen, Bexten, Palu, Reimer, Standerford, Lang

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0
CASES:

Case No. 15-33  
(From 11/9/15 Building Board of Review Meeting)  
Timothy Odorisio  
Crosstown, LLC  
10855 West Dodge Road, Suite 100  
Omaha, NE 68154  

LOCATION: 1464 Evans Street  

At the Property Maintenance Appeals Board meeting held on May 5, 2016, the applicant did not appear before the Board. Kevin Denker (Chief Housing Inspector) and Scott Benson (Housing Inspector) appeared on behalf of the City.

Mr. Benson explained that the case resulted from a complaint about a fire in the building. A Notice of Violation was sent to the owners. The owners filed an appeal to the Building Board of Review and appeared at its November 2015 meeting. That board decided to lay the case over for six months and to have it heard before the Property Maintenance Appeals Board. Mr. Benson stated that the City required that the property be kept maintained and secured, which would include having a fence put up around the structure. He stated that the owner did install a fence from north to south; however, a day after it was installed the fence post was bent and unauthorized individuals again gained access into the building. He presented pictures (Exhibit 4) of the property which showed that vegetation around certain areas of the building were over 10” in height. Other photos in the exhibit showed discarded furniture that the applicant stated would be removed, but was still on the property. The pictures also showed the following: an open doorway, an opening in a garage door, the interior of the structure, trash and fire debris. Mr. Benson requested that Permits and Inspections be allowed possibly put the property on the demolition list. He stated that he had not heard from the owners since the November 2015 Building Board of Review meeting.

Mr. Benson stated that the goal was to prevent fire and to keep individuals safe. In response to Mr. Standerford, Kevin Denker (Chief Housing Inspector) explained that, if the request was denied, a citation would be issued to the owner for non-compliance. Mr. Andersen noted that, upon comparing the pictures that had been taken of the property in November 2015 and April of 2016, almost no changes had occurred.

Mr. Andersen moved to DENY the appeal. Mr. Palu seconded the motion.

AYES: Andersen, Bexten, Palu, Reimer, Standerford, Lang

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0

ADJOURNMENT:

It was the consensus of the Board to adjourn the meeting at 1:42 p.m.