

Minutes for TGS&A Special Meeting  
September 6, 2016  
Room 119 Town Hall  
9 of 11 members present

Present were: Frank B. Kemp, M. Caroline Luz, Harry D. McLachlin, Joseph D. Miceli, Chris Ezbiansky, S. Lloyd Plehaty, John Boulton, Anstiss Agnew, and Clara Sartori

Absent were: Nancy Coyle Downs and Kenneth A. Fiveson, Jr.

Audience: Carolyn Schoonmaker

The meeting was called to order at 7:38 p.m.

#### AGENDA:

1. Discussion and review of the proposed “Blight Ordinance” and associated documents prior to submission to Town officials and the RTM

The Committee reviewed several documents, including:

- Chart showing CT towns with blight ordinances
- How to access TGS&A Cloud instructions
- Sheet highlighting differences between 2007 ordinance and current draft
- Highlight sheet outlining how ordinance works
- Sheet detailing the steps in the ordinance process
- FAQ sheet
- Proposed blight prevention ordinance
- Executive summary of the ordinance

Frank Kemp reiterated that the TGS &A Committee was responsible for developing the concept of the legislation for the Blight Ordinance; Town Counsel is charged with drafting the final Ordinance. We discussed each document and edited for clarity. There was a discussion about whether an elected official could also serve on the Blight Review Board – a review of the Town Charter (Chapter 2, Section 7, paragraph B) indicates that he or she can, and Town Counsel will review and corroborate that. While no official vote was taken, the sense of the meeting was that the document is ready and should be sent to the Rules Committee in advance of their September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. Frank Kemp and others also plan to attend the Department of Human Services meeting on Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup> to discuss the highlights of the proposed ordinance.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Caroline Luz, Clerk, TGS&A