MINUTES <u>PALM BEACH COUNTY</u> <u>CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND APPEALS (CBAA)</u> <u>April 13, 2017</u>

1. CALL TO ORDER / CONVENE AS CBAA

Chairman Marc Wiener called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. The meeting was conducted in Room 1W-47, Palm Beach County Planning, Zoning and Building Department, 2300 North Jog Road, West Palm Beach, Florida.

A. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marc Wiener, Architect, Chair Gary Sullivan, Electrical Contractor Rex Kirby, Division I Contractor Justin McIntosh, Alternate Public At-Large Bart Rasper, Plumbing Contractor Manny Oyola, Roofing Contractor Margie Walden, Public At-Large

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Duane Drawdy, Division I Contractor

Ron Dixon, Engineer, Vice Chair

OTHERS PRESENT:

Doug Wise, Building Official of Palm Beach County Dean Wells, Construction Services Coordinator Shannon Fox, Assistant County Attorney Anne Helfant, Assistant County Attorney Jamie Illicete, Contractor Certification Field Investigator Shawn Brown, Building Construction Inspector II Robert Nicholls, Codes Products & Training Coordinator Jacquelyn Anderson, Recording Secretary Jason Griffith, Facilities Systems Project Manager Chris Poonai, Dcota Contracting, Inc. Urania and Hamilton Lopez, Property Owners Sharon Sooknanan, Property Owner

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Walden made a motion to approve the minutes of February 9, 2017. Several Board Members seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. ADDITIONS & DELETIONS - NONE

3. OLD BUSINESS

Board Secretary Jacquelyn Anderson administered an oath to all witnesses who planned to testify.

A. 17-01 – 10236 Harbourtown Court – Deutsche Bank

There was no one present on behalf of Deutsche Bank.

Mr. Wise testified Deutsche Bank filed an appeal, and they divested themselves by way of the property. The original appeal filed by Shamrock HOA was denied by the Board previously.

The appeal was dismissed. The Building Official will move forward with demolition to abate the nuisance.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. 17-03 – 4594 Hibiscus Ave – Hamilton Lopez

Urania Lopez testified on behalf of her husband, Hamilton Lopez who owns the property at 4594 Hibiscus Avenue. They received notification that they needed to demolish the property. It's an abandoned property that they purchased. They filed the appeal because they want to demolish the structure themselves. Mrs. Lopez stated they have started the demolition process. Mrs. Lopez requested the County's demolition process be stopped because they are going to move forward themselves.

Board Members questioned Appellant and discussion ensued.

Mrs. Lopez requested three months to proceed with demolition.

Additional questioning and discussion ensued.

Mr. Wise submitted Palm Beach County Building Division's Staff report into evidence.

Board Members questioned Staff and discussion ensued.

Ms. Walden made a motion to allow the Appellant two weeks to secure the property, and within 30 days have a demolition contract ready to take the structure down.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion.

Additional discussion ensued.

Ms. Walden made a motion to allow the Appellant two weeks to secure the property with appropriate fencing and 30 days to have a demolition company in place, signed contract, for the removal of all the structures including the septic tank. If in 30 days, that is not facilitated then the County needs to go forward with the demolition.

Additional discussion ensued.

Ms. Walden amended the motion to allow the Appellant two weeks to have the entire property fenced and secured, and in 30 days to demonstrate clear progress with the permitting for the demolition, including a company that has been hired to remove all the structures including the septic system, and removal of all debris, and to return to update the Board within 30 days.

Mr. Kirby seconded the motion.

The motion carried 6 to 1.

5. ADJOURNMENT as the CBAA

Chairman Marc Wiener adjourned the meeting as the Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals at approximately 2:31 p.m.

Signed for the Board by,

Marc Wiener

Chairman

Respectfully submitted, Jacquelyn Anderson Recording Secretary