



# Lowell City Council

## Neighborhoods SC With Zoning SC Minutes

Michael Q. Geary  
City Clerk

**Date:** April 1, 2019  
**Time:** 7:00 PM  
**Location:** Wang Middle School  
365 West Meadow Road, Lowell, Ma.

### **PRESENT:**

Present on Roll Call were C. Cirillo, C. Leahy, C. Nuon, C. Milinazzo and C. Kennedy. Others present were Eric Slagle (Insp. Services), C. Conway, C. Mercier, M. Samaras, Rep. Tom Golden, C. Elliott, Jeff Winward (LFD) and Shauna Forcier (Neighborhood Services). C. Cirillo noted the number of candidates running for City Council.

### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

C. Cirillo called the meeting to order noting it was being held with Zoning SC and that the neighborhood group would be holding their meeting first. C. Milinazzo commented on the many meetings of the Zoning SC regarding rental ordinance and that they are still in the process of gathering information. Mr. Slagle commented on enforcement of ordinances.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

Mr. Slagle provided history of Zoning SC meetings and discussions concerning dwelling units in the City. Mr. Slagle reviewed the ordinance that has been on the books for some time and noted that draft amendments have been met with mixed reactions. Mr. Slagle noted that continue different attempts to enforce ordinance as it is now written. C. Milinazzo note attempts to improve enforcement of current ordinance. C. Cirillo noted the importance of neighborhood input and opened meeting to the public. In response to public input Mr. Slagle commented on the number of inspectors in his department and the types of inspections that are done in the City. C. Milinazzo commented on increased enforcement. C. Kennedy commented on comprehensive review of zoning ordinances. C. Milinazzo noted that there have been no changes to the ordinances just changes in enforcement. C. Kennedy noted the ordinances are available on line. Mr. Slagle outlined the process when permitting is not followed. Chief Winward commented on process when dwellings are not in compliance. C. Kennedy noted possible installation of hotline for emergency matters. Mr. Slagle outlined options of fining or withdrawing certificates if dwellings are not in compliance and also noted



the need to get information from the neighborhoods. C. Milinazzo reviewed notice of the meetings and the City's relationship with UMass-Lowell. C. Leahy commented on parking enforcement. Mr. Slagle commented on protecting interest of the students in the City. C. Kennedy questioned process with Assessors Office. Mr. Slagle outlined the relationship with the Assessors.

**ADOURNMENT:**

**Motion** "To Adjourn" and accept the report as a report of progress by C. Cirillo, seconded by C. Nuon. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

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