

# Minutes

Housing Committee  
Monday, March 6, 2023  
6:45 p.m.

Police Training Room  
Municipal Building, Jamestown, New York

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilwoman Carrubba, Councilman Sheldon, Regina Brackman

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: City Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Williams, Director of Development Crystal Surdyk

Councilwoman Carrubba called the meeting to order.

## **Opportunities for Public Comment**

Lisa Schmidtfrerick-Miller of 112 Westminster Drive, Jamestown appeared before the Housing Committee to discuss the prominence of lead safety within the City of Jamestown. At least sixty children each year are found with elevated lead levels which stay with them their entire lives. Ms. Schmidtfrerick-Miller and the committee discussed the lead problem further and discussed ways of abatement. It was decided that Ms. Schmidtfrerick-Miller would return to the Housing Committee for further discussion at a later date.

Doug Champ of 225 Bowen Street appeared before the Housing Committee to express his frustration with the limited time the Housing Committee has. In his opinion, fifteen minutes are not enough. He would like to see a housing platform completed with plans of what is to be accomplished through the end of the year. He would also like to see a Housing Commission formed with various members of the public. Change needs to occur.

## **Informational Report**

Director of Development Crystal Surdyk reported that she just arrived from the scene of a fire on Stowe Street. All of the residents were able to get out safely, however, animals did perish.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jennifer Williams  
City Clerk/Treasurer