

DANGEROUS BUILDING HEARING

CITY OF CHARLOTTE

111 E. Lawrence Avenue, Charlotte, MI 48813

vs.

TERESA V. MACDONALD AND KENT N. MACDONALD

649 N. Sheldon Street, Charlotte, MI 48813

September 22, 2017

HEARING OFFICER: Dan Christie

APPEARING FOR THE CITY: Chris Sloan; Russ Raymer

APPEARING FOR THE OWNERS: Teresa V. MacDonald; Kent N. MacDonald

RECORDING SECRETARY: Gregg Guetschow

Mr. Christie called the hearing to order at 1:00 p.m.

Chris Sloan, representing the City's Building and Code Enforcement divisions, described the condition of the roof over the front porch on the house located at 649 N. Sheldon Street as dangerous and in need of correction. He presented a letter written to the owners dated September 13, 2016 describing the conditions and ordering repairs or demolition. Lt. Sloan stated that there was no response to the letter and no corrections have been made. Multiple inspections have been conducted at the premises since that time as recently as September 22, 2017 and the violations still exist.

Mr. Christie reviewed the letter and a photo of the porch taken September 22, 2017.

Mr. Christie invited Mr. MacDonald to offer comments on the matter. Mr. MacDonald stated he did not understand what was meant by a plan of action. Mr. Christie explained the need for repairs or demolition. Mr. MacDonald said he was uncertain what had caused the damage, that it could have been caused by age or water damage. He indicated he had been told the damaged beam could be replaced by raising the roof and inserting a new beam. The remainder of the repairs needed are cosmetic. In response to a question from Mr. Christie, Mr. MacDonald stated the repairs could be completed within 30 days.

Mr. Christie ordered the repairs to be completed within 30 days so as to render the porch roof safe.

Mr. Christie adjourned the hearing at 1:10 p.m.