DANGEROUS & UNSIGHTLY PREMISES MINUTES September 5, 2006

PRESENT: Councillor Robert Harvey, Chair

Councillor Dawn Sloane, Vice Chair

Councillor Mary Wile Councillor Brad Johns

Councillor Gloria McCluskey

REGRETS: Councillor Krista Snow

Councillor Harry McInroy
Councillor Jim Smith

STAFF: Mr. Jeff Rogers, Regional Coordinator, By-Law Enforcement

Ms. Angela Jones-Rieksts, Solicitor, Legal Services

Mr. Trevor Oliver, By-Law Enforcement Officer

Mr. Jason Bell, Methods and Procedures Analyst, Community

Projects

Ms. Jennifer Weagle, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. in Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

MOVED BY Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Johns, that the agenda be approved as distributed. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **DEMOLITIONS**

3.1 Lands of Alice Smith and George William Smith, 49 Battery Drive, Halifax

C A Demolition Report for the above noted property, dated August 18, 2006, was before the Committee.

Mr. Trevor Oliver, By-Law Enforcement Officer, with the aid of a video, presented the report, noting that the staff recommendation is for the demolition of an uninhabitable and extensively deteriorated structure. He advised the following:

- C The property has been secured by HRM twice, and that Immediate Orders to Remedy were issued each time,
- C There have been numerous occurrences of unauthorized access to the building,
- C The property is in close proximity to other houses, in a densely populated area,
- An inspection of the structure was undertaken by an HRM Building Official, who recommends demolition of the structure.

Neither the Appellant, nor a representative of the Appellant, appeared before the Committee.

MOVED BY Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Wile, that the Dangerous and Unsightly Premises Committee issue an Order requiring the demolition of an uninhabitable and extensively deteriorated structure and the removal of all demolition debris and backfilling of any foundation or crawl space, leaving the property in a neat and tidy fashion within thirty (30) days after service upon the owner/occupant. Otherwise, the Municipality will exercise its rights as set forth under Part XV of the *Act Respecting Municipal Government*. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. **ADDITIONS** - None

5. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting of the Dangerous & Unsightly Premises Committee is scheduled for Thursday, September 21, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

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6. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Jennifer Weagle Legislative Assistant