



Milton Police Department

Date: 08-25-2022
From: Officer Blaine Larson
To: Milton City Council
Re: 926 Nelson Street, Milton, WI 53563

I, Officer Larson the Code Enforcement Officer for the City of Milton, have been aware of the abovementioned property since 2013. The property owner for this address is Laurie A. Winger, who has a current address of N5509 First Street Court, Oxford, WI 53952. This property has been vacant since approximately 2013 and there have been numerous neighbors complaining about this property for some time.

This particular address has had numerous code violations within the last nine years. The City of Milton's Department of Public Works has been mowing the yard at this address since 2013 after numerous letters from the Director of DPW were sent to the property owner regarding the upkeep of the lawn, tall grass and weeds. (Please see attached letter.) It should also be noted that in 2013 we had a dilapidated shed and diseased/hazardous trees removed from this property. The owner was cited.

On 09-08-2021 the Director of DPW sent a letter to the property owner that the home needed weatherproofing and to have repairs done to the gutters, trim, siding and fascia boards that at the time were allowing weather and animals into the residence. (Please see attached letter.) No work was done to the property as was requested.

On 01-19-2022 I, Officer Larson, sent the Winger a letter advising her of the violations under City of Milton's Ordinances 26-35 and 26.32 regarding the upkeep of this residence/property. Nothing was repaired at the residence. I issued a citation to Winger on 03-28-2022 for Public Nuisance in violation of Municipal Ordinance 26.32.

It should be noted that Winger had a court date of 05-02-2022 at which time she plead 'Not Guilty' and the case was scheduled for trial on 06-20-2022, at which time she asked for a continuance to 08-15-2022 in order to give her time to clean up the property. She entered a plea agreement for a lesser fine. To this date and time, no work has been completed at this residence/property.

It should also be noted that this property has deteriorated further. There are photos and videos of the residence where you can see that the animals have knocked out the soffits and chewed up the Styrofoam insulation. This place is definitely a nuisance and needs to be cleaned up. The gutters are full of leaves and actually have trees growing in them. The building needs to be weatherproofed as well as some trees needing to be cut down along the house and in the gutter. I am asking the Milton City Council to have the City Attorney, Mark Schroeder, draw up a complaint to file in the Rock County Circuit Court to begin the process to get this property cleaned up.

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