

**TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON
PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEAL COMMITTEE
APRIL 16, 2026 – 7:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

Members Present

Mayor Darren White
Deputy Mayor James McLean
Councillor Ralph Moore
Councillor Bill Neilson
Councillor Ruth Plowright

Staff Present

Denise B. Holmes, CAO/Clerk
Kaitlin Dinnick, Deputy Clerk/Planning Coordinator
Chris Johnston, By-law Enforcement and Property Standards Officer

Appellant Present

Bahia Karen Beach-Eldner
Shayna Pacheco

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair McLean at 6:59 p.m. Chair McLean advised that the meeting was being recorded and would be posted on the Township website within five business days.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

Chair McLean advised that disclosure of pecuniary interest can be declared at this time or anytime throughout the meeting by giving the general nature thereof and that declarations must be submitted to the Clerk in writing. There were no declarations declared.

Approval of Draft Minutes – September 18, 2025

Moved by White, Seconded by Moore, that the Property Standards Appeal Committee approve the minutes of the Hearing on September 18, 2025 as circulated. Carried.

Hearing Matter

5.1 – Property Standards Order to Comply – 161 Main Street

Chair McLean advised that the purpose of the meeting today was to deal with the appeal of Bahia Karen Beach-Eldner on the Order to Comply for Violation located at 161 Main Street, issued by the By-law Enforcement and Property Standards Officer, Chris Johnston on March 19th, 2026.

Chair McLean called upon the Township's By-law Enforcement Officer, Chris Johnston to present his evidence. The Clerk administered the Oath. Mr. Chris Johnston identified himself as Chris Johnston and provided the background details relating to the Order to Comply issued on March 19th, 2026. Council asked Mr. Johnston some questions for clarification.

The appellants Bahia Karen Beach-Eldner and Shayna Pacheco were administered the Oath by the Clerk. The appellants spoke to what their plans are for the house and advised that they do not want to do the patch work to then move forward with full renovations. Council asked the Appellant's some questions for clarification.

The Property Standards Appeal Committee took a recess at 7:33 p.m. so they could deliberate the matter. At 7:48 p.m. the Committee reconvened.

The decision of the Property Standards Appeal Committee is:

1. Modify the Order by extending the deadline to comply from May 1, 2026 to July 2, 2026. All other terms and conditions of the order shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Chair McLean advised that the Notice of Decision will be sent to the Appellant within five business days.

Adjournment

Moved by Moore, Seconded by Neilson, that the Property Standards Appeal Committee adjourn this meeting at 7:49 p.m. Carried.