Town of Windham

Board of Selectmen

5976 Windham Hill Road

Windham, VT 05359

Shalom Stevens and Michael Bober

332 New Ireland Road

Manchester Center, VT 05255

December 19, 2016

Dear Shalom and Michael,

Over the past several months the Town of Windham has taken an interest in the state of disrepair of your South Windham property. Several communications between the town and you have not had the effect of promoting any visible movement toward improving the situation.

Unless the Town of Windham receives something other than reassurances that efforts are being made we will begin enforcement of the hazardous building ordinance. A copy of the ordinance is included in this communication and we draw your special attention to section D which reads:

D. Penalty and Enforcement

1. If the owner fails to comply with a Building Safety Order, the owner shall be considered to be in violation of the Order and this ordinance. The violation shall be a civil matter which may be enforced in the Vermont Judicial Bureau or in the Windham County Superior Court, at the election of the Building Safety Officer.

2. A civil penalty of not more than $800.00 per violation may be imposed for violation of this ordinance. Each day that the violation continues shall constitute a separate violation of this ordinance.

3. Violations enforced in the Judicial Bureau shall be in accordance with the provisions of 24

V.S.A § 1974a and 1977 et seq. For purposes of enforcement in the Judicial Bureau, the Building Safety Officer shall be the designated enforcement officer. The Building Safety Officer shall issue tickets and may be the appearing officer at any hearing.

4. Violations enforced in the Superior Court shall be in accordance with the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure. The Town of Windham may pursue all appropriate injunctive relief.

We also draw your very sharp attention to section D #2 which states that a civil penalty of $800.00 per day may be imposed.

Please communicate your plans for this property and the steps you are taking about this property to the Windham Town Clerk at: windham.town@gmail.com .

If we do not hear anything from you by January 30, 2017 we shall begin enforcement of the town’s hazardous building ordinance.

Cordially,

Frank Seawright Kord Scott Maureen Bell

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