

Town of Suffield Building Department

September 27, 2019

HAND DELIVERED

To: Melissa Mack, First Selectman 83 Mountain Rd. Suffield, Ct. 06092

Re:90 Bridge St Bridge Street School

2018 STATE BUILDING CODE §116 NOTICE OF UNSAFE STRUCTURE

Dear Melissa Mack;

On September 26, 2019 I conducted an inspection of the premises located at 90 Bridge Street, Suffield, CT for the purpose of determining compliance with the State Building Code as amended and the applicable referenced standards, adopted pursuant to the Connecticut General Statutes §29-252. The Code and said standards are available for your inspection at this office.

The inspection revealed that the structure is insanitary and unsafe pursuant to State Building Code §116 due to the following conditions:

- Upon entering the building I noted a strong musty odor and evidence of mold. It was
 noted that floors, walls and the ceiling were in extremely poor condition.
 Deteriorated paint chips were noted flaking off surfaces throughout the building. In
 many places the plaster on the walls was falling off, the floor surfaces were breaking
 up and the ceilings were crumbling down. More than likely there is lead paint and
 asbestos in the building.
- The structure is dangerous to human life and the public welfare.

Please note that the above list is based on my visual inspection, a review of pictures recently taken by the Suffield Public Works Department (see attached) and consultation with Mike Caronna of the North Central Health District. It is not intended to be a complete list of all the code violations at the site but rather a record of the items noted after evaluating all of the above.

PURSUANT TO STATE BUILDING CODE §116, YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED TO IMMEDIATELY VACATE THE STRUCTURE AND MAKE PLANS TO EITHER REMEDIATE THE SERIOUS HEALTH HAZARDS WITHIN THE BUILDING OR DEMOLISH IT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE DEMOLITION CODE. THE BUILDING WAS POSTED AND IS UNSAFE TO ENTER FOR ANY REASON.

Construction documents in accordance with §R105 for any work to be done at the site shall be submitted to this office prior to the commencement of any demolition.

You are hereby notified that you have the right to appeal this order pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §29-266(b) to the municipal board of appeals.

Variations or exemptions from the State Building Code may be granted by the State Building Inspector where strict compliance with the code would entail practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship, or is otherwise adjudged unwarranted pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §29-254(b), provided that the intent of the law shall be observed and public welfare and safety be assured. Any application for a variation or exemption or equivalent or alternate compliance shall be filed with the local Building Official.

This is the only order you will receive. You must immediately notify me as to whether you accept or reject the terms of this order. A copy of this order is provided to you to sign and return to me with your response.

Be advised that the Building Official is authorized to prosecute any violation of this order by requesting that legal counsel of the jurisdiction, or the Office of the State's Attorney, institute the appropriate proceeding at law. Per Connecticut General Statutes §29-254a and §29-394, and State Building Code §114.4, any person who is convicted in a court of law of violating any provision of the State Building Code or for failure to comply with the written order of a building inspector for the provision of additional exit facilities in a building, the repair or alteration of a building or the removal of a building or any portion thereof shall be fined not less than two hundred not more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than six months or both.

This Office hopes to gain your cooperation and looks forward to working with you in the interest of building and life safety for a timely resolution of this serious matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact this office at 860 668 3878.

Sincerely,

Edward Flanders

Building Official

230C Mountain Rd.

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Suffield, Ct. 06078

Accepted: Melvon Mich	Rejected:
Date:Signature of owner	Signature of owner
Accepted:	Rejected:
Signature of co-owner	Signature of co-owner
Date:	
Cc; First Selectman, Fire Marshal, Town Attorney, Zoning, Police	
Forms\Notice of Unsafe Structure 12/13/11	