

20-28 BEACH STREET

SHAW-WALKER

Full cut # 920R - Half cut # 9202R - Thin cut # 9203R - Full cut # 9209R

35/1109-I

May 28, 1934

Mr. John Kamilewicz  
16 Holden Street  
South Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

With reference to the two buildings at 20 and 22 Beach Street for demolishing which permits were issued from this Department in your name but to John Antone on August 15, 1933, neither of the buildings to date has been completely demolished. The building at 20 Beach Street has been demolished all except the first floor framing and the underpinning. The building at 22 Beach Street, at or near the corner of West Commercial Street, has had only a small portion of it removed.

This latter building in particular is considered dangerous structurally because the rear piazzas are sagging badly, and possibly may fall at any time and do damage to persons or property and is dangerous from the standpoint of fire hazard, or in the terms of the law, considered a dangerous and inflammable condition because the building is open at windows and doors so that any person may enter the building at will or mischief bent, or so lighted matches, cigarettes, or combustible material may be thrown into the building.

As authorized by Section 11 of the Building Code of the City of Portland and by Section 34 of Chapter 35, Revised Statutes of Maine, copies of both laws attached hereto, you are hereby directed to have the building at 22 Beach Street, corner of West Commercial Street, entirely removed and the premises cleared of all combustible material on or before June 28, 1934, or we shall find it necessary to take action as directed by law.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings.

WMA/110  
Enc.

#33/1109-1

May 16, 1934

Mr. John Antoine  
Huntress Avenue  
South Portland, Maine

Dear Sirs:

It is important that you be at this office at 1:30 P. M., Daylight Saving Time, on Friday, May 18th, 1934 in connection with the two buildings at 22 Beach Street, this City, for which you secured demolishing permits at this office on August 15th, 1933.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings.

WML/HO

33/1108-1

November 13, 1933

Mr. John Antone  
Hamtrass Avenue  
South Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

On October 26th, I wrote to you concerning the buildings at 20-28 Beach Street which you are supposed to demolish for John Kamilewicz, owner. That letter was to advise you that the work was going too slowly and that we could not wait to have these buildings taken down as they constitute a fire hazard in their present condition.

On October 31st, you came in and explained that on account of sickness or for some other reason you had been unable to do any work for some time upon the building, but that you would proceed at once, working every afternoon, to demolish the buildings. After consultation with the owner, we find that you have not worked at all on the buildings since November 1st. We find that the owner has entered a contract with you to remove the buildings. Unfortunately he put no time limit in the contract as to when the job was to be consummated. We still consider these buildings to be a severe fire hazard in their present condition, but when we try to secure action from the owner, he is in the position of having made a contract with you which he cannot break.

Under these circumstances I think that we are justified under the law in considering that you are a party to maintaining a dangerous and hazardous condition as regards catching and spreading of fire. If it is true that you have done no work upon the building since you were here in the office, I am at a loss to understand why you have not, or at least have not notified this office why you cannot demolish the buildings.

Please get in touch with the undersigned on or before November 18, 1933, and explain why you are not proceeding with demolishing these buildings. If there is no other way to proceed, I am of the opinion that we can find some way to proceed against you as being the one responsible for the condition that exists. We have no desire to do this, but would prefer that you either proceed at once to demolish the buildings in good faith, or else voluntarily relinquish your contract with the owner, so that he can get somebody else to do the work.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings.

WMA/IRN

#33/1109-I

October 26, 1933

Mr. John Antone  
Huntress Avenue  
South Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

On August 15, 1933, we issued a building permit to demolish certain buildings owned by John Kamilewicz at 22 Beach Street. We note that the work is not progressing, and that, although work has been started on demolishing, it has apparently been discontinued.

You may not be aware of the fact that the buildings are being demolished because of orders from this Department. The permit was given with the idea that you would proceed with the work at once and hasten it to completion.

Please get in touch with this office on or before November 1, 1933, and tell the undersigned what the true circumstances are, so that, if you do not intend to proceed at once with complete demolition, we can again go to the owner and require him to take steps to complete the work.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings.

VIM/HC



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Permit No. 4-109

PERMIT ISSUED

Class of Building or Type of Structure Third Class

Portland, Maine, August 15, 1933

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect alter install the following building structure equipment in accordance with the Laws of the State of Maine, the Building Code of the City of Portland, plans and specifications, if any, submitted herewith and the following specifications:

Location 22 Beach Street Ward 7 Within Fire Limits? no Dist. No.

Owner's or Lessee's name and address John Kamilewicz, Skilling St., So. Port. Telephone

Contractor's name and address John Antono, Huntress Ave., So. Port. Telephone 4-4186

Architect's name and address

Proposed use of building No. families

Other buildings on same lot

Plans filed as part of this application? No. of sheets

Estimated cost, \$ Fee \$ 1.00

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material wood No. stories 3 Heat Style of roof Roofing

Last use tenement house No. families 3

General Description of New Work

To demolish building

It is understood that this permit does not include installation of heating apparatus which is to be taken out separately by and in the name of the heating contractor.

Details of New Work

Height average grade to top of plate

Size, front depth No. stories Height average grade to highest point of roof

To be erected on solid or filled land? earth or rock?

Material of foundation Thickness, top bottom

Material of underpinning Height Thickness

Kind of Roof Rise per foot Roof covering

No. of chimneys Material of chimneys of lining

Kind of heat Type of fuel Is gas fitting involved?

Corner posts Sills Girt or ledger board? Size

Material columns under girders Size Max. on centers

Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-16" O. C. Girders 6x8 or larger. Bridging in every floor and flat roof span over 8 feet. Sills and corner posts all one piece in cross section.

Joists and rafters: 1st floor, 2nd, 3rd, roof

On centers: 1st floor, 2nd, 3rd, roof

Maximum span: 1st floor, 2nd, 3rd, roof

If one story building with masonry walls, thickness of walls? height?

If a Garage

No. cars now accommodated on same lot, to be accommodated

Total number commercial cars to be accommodated

Will automobile repairing be done other than minor repairs to cars habitually stored in the proposed building?

Miscellaneous

Will above work require removal or disturbing of any shade tree on a public street? no

Will there be in charge of the above work a person competent to see that the State and City requirements pertaining thereto are observed? yes

Signature of owner John Kamilewicz John Antono

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a.g.s.  
 Permit No. 33/1109  
 22 Beach St.  
 John Kamilewicz  
 Date of permit 8/15/33  
 Not closing-in  
 Inspn. closing-in  
 Final Notif.  
 Final Inspn. 9/5/34  
 Cert. of Occupancy iss. ed None

other building removed except underpinning, first floor and refuse mound

5/16/34 - letter to owner and another to Antonio

5/29/34 - letter to owner - mound

6/26/34 - demolition completed except top part of first floor framing and underpinning about 8' high

8/6/34 - demolished except for part of underpinning

NOTES

10/24/33 - letter to contractor - mound

10/31/33 - Mr. Antonio into day and said he expected to complete demolition at once. Is able only to work on it afternoons

11/3/33 - letter to Antonio - mound

5/16/34 - The building at corner has roof for days and most of upper story framing removed. Windows and doors are open and near 3-story masonry is in danger of collapse. The



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Material of underpinning \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_ Thickness \_\_\_\_\_

Kind of Roof \_\_\_\_\_ Rise per foot \_\_\_\_\_ Roof covering \_\_\_\_\_

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John Kamilowicz

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See Buckwood Ave.