

## Hoffman, James (CI-StPaul)

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**From:** Williams, Willie (CI-StPaul)  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 7:58 AM  
**To:** Hoffman, James (CI-StPaul)  
**Subject:** FW: Form 4 701 HAZEL ST. N.

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**From:** Radatz, John (CI-StPaul) <John.Radatz@ci.stpaul.mn.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 2, 2020 7:54 AM  
**To:** Williams, Willie (CI-StPaul) <Willie.Williams@ci.stpaul.mn.us>  
**Subject:** Re: Form 4 701 HAZEL ST. N.

Will,

701 Hazel Street North was an extreme hoarder house. By far one of the worst I have ever seen. Immediately entering the house and as far as the one could see there were piles of trash, newspapers and general 'junk'. Typically we see hoarder houses with a pathway throughout the house so the owner can somewhat move around. This house had no such pathway.

Rotten food was everywhere with flies surrounding everything. Piles and piles of old dishes, crock pots, etc. littered the counters. It had extremely potent smell that was very foul of rotten food, urine and feces. We had to move loads of trash and junk just to remove our patient who was essentially buried in trash from her home.

If you need any other information or have specific questions feel free to ask. Thank you,

John Radatz  
Firefighter/Paramedic  
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On Mar 2, 2020, at 08:22, Williams, Willie (CI-StPaul) <[Willie.Williams@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:Willie.Williams@ci.stpaul.mn.us)> wrote:

Hello John, Will Williams here in Code Enforcement, I sent you an e-mail on 2-28 regarding 701 Hazel St. N. Do you by chance remember in detail or can you be more descriptive in what you saw inside of 701 Hazel St. N.? We are currently seeking an administrative search warrant for this property. Thank you!  
<701 Hazel St N Form 4.pdf>

## Dornfeld, Matt (CI-StPaul)

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**From:** Magner, Steve (CI-StPaul)  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:55 AM  
**To:** Dornfeld, Matt (CI-StPaul)  
**Cc:** Seeley, Paula (CI-StPaul)  
**Subject:** FW: 701 Hazel Street North Update

Matt, please have your staff open a Cat II VB file and ask Lauren for a new address for the owner. DSI will not allow occupancy until the VB is cleaned out and we can do a walk thru. The owner can appeal this action if they want.



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**From:** Lightner, Lauren <[lauren.lightner@CO.RAMSEY.MN.US](mailto:lauren.lightner@CO.RAMSEY.MN.US)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 4, 2020 4:39 PM  
**To:** Seeley, Paula (CI-StPaul) <[paula.seeley@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:paula.seeley@ci.stpaul.mn.us)>; Magner, Steve (CI-StPaul) <[steve.magner@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:steve.magner@ci.stpaul.mn.us)>; Williams, Willie (CI-StPaul) <[Willie.Williams@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:Willie.Williams@ci.stpaul.mn.us)>  
**Subject:** 701 Hazel Street North Update

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Hello,  
I did meet with Catherine Fehr at the Woodbury Care Center today. We chatted about an hour. She was not aware that DSI had been trying to reach her- possibly not getting her mail. She told me that she has a brother who has been helping her clean at her house. She was not willing to give me his name or his contact information. He actually showed up to see her while I was there- I gave him my card- I explained my role- he said that he would give me a call. She has lived in the home since birth- so 75 years. She has no children or others she would say are helping her- just her brother. She was concerned about her brother – she told me he had a heart attack this past year and wanted to limit the stress in his life. We talked quite a bit about what a sanitation vendor could do to assist her with any clean up. It seems as though financially she would qualify for the help. She was not willing to accept help- yet. I explained to her why DSI becomes concerned when they receive reports about the poor conditions in the home. She did not deny the poor conditions are there. She explained some water damage inside the house- around the kitchen ceiling. She also knows there is a lot of food and other contents that need to get thrown out and at this time she is in no condition to do the work herself.

I'm going to visit her again on Friday morning to try and get her to sign a release for her brother so that we can work directly with him. She seemed to need a bit of time to think about the situation.

As always- I will keep you in the loop.

*Lauren Lightner, LICSW*  
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## Hoffman, James (CI-StPaul)

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**From:** Lightner, Lauren <lauren.lightner@CO.RAMSEY.MN.US>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 6, 2020 12:45 PM  
**To:** Hoffman, James (CI-StPaul)  
**Cc:** Dornfeld, Matt (CI-StPaul)  
**Subject:** RE: 701 hazel

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Ok- So I did meet with Catherine Fehr at 10 am this morning- again, she is at the Woodbury Care Center located at 7012 Lake Road, Woodbury, MN 55125- (651-501-2105). She did sign a Release of Information for her brother- Robert Fehr. – he can be reached at 651-334-1496- I have not been able to reach him- I have left him a few messages and gave him my business card when I met him in person on Wednesday. I am going to swing by the house to see if I can catch up with him there. Catherine wants to file an appeal and be granted time to get her home cleaned up- I will help her with that process.

Questions- I am in the field and can be reached at 651-245-2644.

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**From:** Hoffman, James (CI-StPaul) <james.hoffman@ci.stpaul.mn.us>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 6, 2020 7:43 AM  
**To:** Lightner, Lauren <lauren.lightner@CO.RAMSEY.MN.US>  
**Cc:** Dornfeld, Matt (CI-StPaul) <matt.dornfeld@ci.stpaul.mn.us>  
**Subject:** 701 hazel

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Good Morning Lauren,

Per steve magner we are going to open up a category 2 vacant building at 701 hazel., I saw in the last email you had sent that the owner is currently in a care center. Would it be possible to have you try and get us an address of the care center or the owners brother so we are able to notify whom ever will be the responsible party of the property,

I will hold on off on opening the file as I need that address/ addresses to make sure the owners are correctly notified.

Thank you,

James Hoffman



**James Hoffman, CBO-L**

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