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Basement





02/23/2015

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Exterior Walls



02/23/2015

No duct seal around entry point for service disconnect and coil line. This may allow water to travel to main disconnect breaker potentially lead to a fire hazard. Recommend repair as necessary to prevent moisture penetration.



02/23/2015

At the time of the home Inspection the deck was snow covered and could not be total evaluated. But noted the hand rail was lose on the side entry of the deck. This may lead to personal injury. Recommend contacting a qualified contractor to evaluate and or replace as necessary.

General Interior



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There is a doggie door on the back side of the kitchen were there is no lock present. This may be an access for an unwanted intruder (persons)that would like to gain access to your home. Recommend adding some type of a lock for you safety. Recommend contacting a qualified contractor to evaluate and or replace as necessary.

Laundry



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Main Bathroom



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Exterior Walls



02/23/2015

Caulking was loose and missing around gas meter entry point of the house. This may allow water penetration and may destroy your wall or building structure. Recommend repair as necessary to prevent further damage.



02/23/2015

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02/23/2015

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02/23/2015

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Fireplace



Recommend a level 2 inspection performed by a qualified chimney sweep for a piece of mine. Read the owners manual so you know how the unit works, and what the maintenance schedule may be. This inspection will determine the condition of the flue liner.

General Interior



02/23/2015

At the time of the inspections there where multiple doors that where rubbing when trying to close. Recommend contacting a qualified contractor to evaluate and repair as necessary.

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Roof & Ventilation



02/26/2015

There where ice covered side walks, as well as in front of the garage door at the time of the inspection. This may lead to personal injury. There are short gutter extensions. Adding gutters extensions would help prevent the amount of ice build up. Recommend contacting a qualified contractor to evaluate and or replace as necessary.

Full Report

General Information

Overview: Quiet residential neighborhood

House is:: Unoccupied Temperature: Cold Temperature: 8 Degrees

NYS License Number: 16000069949

End time: 11:30 PM Inspector: Gary Zielinski Type of house: 1 family house

Ground Condition: Snow Covered

Foundation: Basement Weather condition: Clear House Number: On mail box

House Number: Clearly seen from street

Age of house: 12 Yeras Old

Start time: 9:30

Present at inspection: Owner



02/22/2015

At the time of the home inspection the house was occupied so there was limited visibility threw out the house by furniture and/or stored items. This prevented a full evaluation of some areas with in the house.



02/22/2015

At the time of the home inspection the roof and all exterior surfaces were covered with snow and ice. A thorough inspection of the exterior grounds could not be performed because of the snow cover.



02/22/2015

After moving into the house, I would strongly recommend having the locks changed upon moving in. Over the years, previous owners may have distributed the keys to family and friends. A new set of locks would truly insure your privacy and piece of mind, on the security of your new home. If the house has a remote garage door opener, I would recommend getting the access code from the previous owner and changing the access code as well.



02/22/2015

As described in the Home-inspection contract, this is a visual inspection only. The inspection of the plumbing system was limited by (but not restricted to) the following conditions: Portions of the plumbing system were concealed by finished, insulated walls and/or stored items.



02/24/2015

Concerning mold like or mildew like in a home / building. While we will report any substance that appears to be mold like substance, the only true way to determine if mold is present is to have a mold company/specialist inspect and test for mold. Zielinski Home Inspection LLC does not perform mold testing or mold inspection's. Any mention of mold in this report should be considered a recommendation to bring in a mold specialist to inspect and test for mold. If you have a specific concern reguarding mold, consult a mold specialist for advice.

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Roof & Ventilation

Roof approximate age: Midlife

Roof approximate age: Covered with snow at the time of the inspection

Roof penetrations: Vent pipe

Roof Type: Gable

Roof Inspection Method: From ground Downspout material: Aluminum Gutter material: Aluminum

Gutter extensions: Noted, but not long enough

Roof ventilation: Soffet vents Roof ventilation: Gable vents Roof ventilation: Ridge vent

Roof covering: Architectural Shingle



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02/22/2015

The gutter is releasing the rain water from the upper roof unto the lower roof which may erode the stones on the lower roof shingle. This may reduce the life of the shingle and may start to penetrate the roof decking. Monitor this area in the future. Recommend contacting a qualified contractor to evaluate and or replace as necessary.







02/22/2015

At time of inspection a majority of roof was covered with snow. This limited the visibility and could not properly inspect the roof. When the snow melts, I could come back out and do a visual inspection.





Exterior Walls

Condition of wall:: Good

High Efficiency Piping: 3 Ft. above grade Meter caulking intact: Cracked and Missing

Trim: Vinyl

Door material: Metal Main entry porch: Concrete

Porch roof: No

Trim condition: Acceptable

Trim condition: Linial Trim Cracked

Wall structure: Wood frame Wall covering material: Vinyl

Voltage: 120/240 volts

Electrical service type: Underground

Service size: 200 Amp Windows: Vinyl windows Porch steps down: No hand rail

Porch steps down: One



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02/23/2015

Noted Mildew & Algae forming on the siding on the rear of the garage wall where the dryer vent is venting. This may be caused by the release of water droplets from the dryer, with the mixture of pollen, dirty in the air and the lack of direct sunlight being on the North side. Maintenance in this area is need more often than the south side of the house. Contact a qualified contractor to evaluate and service as necessary.







Mildew like substance is around the main bathroom vent on the second floor that is coming out the soffit area. Cleaning this area annually may help maintain the mildew like in this area. Contact a qualified contractor to evaluate and service as necessary.







02/23/2015

At the time of the home Inspection it was noted there was what looked like to be an old water stain in the soffit at one time. This area was not accessible in the attic. Water leaks can cause extensive damage to your property and will result in expensive repair and replacement costs. Recommend monitoring this area in the future.





Exterior Grounds

Grading within 6 foot of house: Slopes away

Driveway: Asphalt Handrail condition: Loose

Support column condition: Could Not Verify

Exterior foundation exposure: 2 Foot

A/C during operation: Could Not Opperate Temp was 9 Deg Trees & shrubs too close to house: In the front of the house Trees & shrubs too close to house: On the right of the house

Fence material: Vinyl
Basement Windows: Wood
Basement Windows: Acceptable
Exterior of foundation walls: Concrete

Deck material: Wood

Grading beyond 6 foot of house: Slopes away

Driveway condition: Was covered by snow at the time of the inspection

Support columns under deck: Could Not Verify

Deck location: In the rear of the house Deck steps to grade: Three or more Walkway condition: Covered with Snow

Fence condition: Felt loose Walkway to front entry: Concrete

Exterior foundation observed?: Snow Covered

Visibility under deck: Snow Covered



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02/22/2015

At the time of the home inspection there was Snow covered ground prohibiting a thorough inspection of the grounds, driveway, walkway, patio etc.







02/25/2015

At the time of the inspection the deck and grounds were covered by snow and prohibited a thorough visual inspection. I will gladly come back once the snow clears to provide a visual inspection.





Attached Garage

Floor: Concrete
Walls: Wood frame
Doors operated: Easily
Door release rope: Noted
Number of Bays: Two
of electric openers: One
Operated electric openers: Yes
Interior door: Did not self close

Torsion Bar Garage door: Noted Visibility limited by: Parked cars Photo electric device: Worked Floor condition: Urethane Painted Floor condition: Acceptable Framing of walls: Drywall covered Style of Automobile doors: Overhead

Non-automobile doors: One

Interior door material: Fire rated

Automobile doors: One Garage windows: None noted

Operated door and applied resistance: Did Not Try Do To Insurance coverage



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02/22/2015

At the time of the home inspection accessibility was limited to the visibility threw out the garage by vehicles, furniture and/or stored items. This prevented a full evaluation.





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Attic

Roof decking: OSB Ventilation: Ridge vent Ventilation: Gable vent Ventilation: Soffit vent

Insulation material: Fiberglass roll/batt

Attic access: 20"x20"
Attic access: Hatch
Roof system: Rafters
Soffit vents: Working
Insulation location: Floor

Bathroom vent duckwork: They Go threw the side of the House

Moisture penetration: None noted Attic floor system: No flooring How observied: Limited viewing Rafters inches apart: 24 inches



02/22/2015 At the time of the inspection the attic had no active leaks and looked to be properly vented.



02/22/2015

The following images of the attic were added to the report to provide you a visual indication of the prior property condition before moving in and taking ownership.













Master Bathroom

Surround: Ceramic tile Sink type: Vanity Toilet: Flushed Flooring: Ceramic tile

Tub: Built in

Surround condition: Acceptable

Ventilation: Window Ventilation: Fan

GFI's: Yes, and working Toilet condition: Good

Leaks: None

Bathroom: Double sink Caulking: Loose Shower: Stall

Functional Flow Test: Acceptable drop in pressure



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Noted missing caulk around shower. This will allow water penetration to effect the rough lumber behind the walls and sub flooring wood. Sealing these areas with new caulk may help. Recommend a qualified contractor repair or replace as necessary.







02/23/2015

The following interior images of the master bathroom were added to the this report is to provide you a visual indication of the property prior to moving in and taking ownership.









Main Bathroom

Shower: With tub Outlets: One

Functional Flow Test: Acceptable drop in pressure

Surround: Plastic Number of sinks: One Floor condition: Acceptable

Caulking: Loose Tub: Built in

Ventilation: Fan

Ventilation: Noted Vented threw the soffit

Sink type: Vanity Floor: Ceramic tile

Bathroom location: Second floor hallway

Toilet: Flushed
Toilet condition: Good

Surround condition: Acceptable

Leaks: None noted



02/25/2015

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02/23/2015

The following images of the main bathroom were added to this report to provide you a visual indication of the property, prior to moving in and taking ownership.







Half Bathroom

Bathroom outlet: Noted and GFCI Floor condition: Acceptable Caulking appears:: Intact

Half bath location: 1st Floor hallway

Number of sinks: One Hot water left faucet: Noted Toilet: Noted and flushed

Floor: Wood

Leaks above or below sink: Not noted

Ventilation: Fan Sink type: Vanity



02/23/2015

The following images of the 1/2 bathroom were added to this report to provide you a visual indication of the property prior to moving in and taking ownership.









02/23/2015 At the time of the home inspection there was no visual defects in the 1/2 bathroom on the first floor.



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General Interior

Floor coverings: Hardwood Generally floors feel: Level

Ceiling style: Flat Ceiling style: Sloped

Walls appear to be made of: Drywall

Stairs: To basement

Stairs: Between living levels

Ceilings: Drywall

Insulated glazing noted in: All Smoke detectors: Noted on each floor

Condition of walls: Nail pops

When bounced on: A normal amount of bounce

Condition of walls: Small cracks

Mostly doors are following type: Hollow core

Windows were mostly: Double hung

Outlets: Three pronged

Carbon Monoxide detector: Noted Windows appear made of: Vinyl

Ceiling condition: Good

Condition of doors: Acceptable

Stairs condition: Good



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There is a doggie door on the back side of the kitchen were there is no lock present. This may be an access for an unwanted intruder (persons)that would like to gain access to your home. Recommend adding some type of a lock for you safety. Recommend contacting a qualified contractor to evaluate and or replace as necessary.







At the time of the inspections there where multiple doors that where rubbing when trying to close. Recommend contacting a qualified contractor to evaluate and repair as necessary.







02/23/2015

There was a crack in the wall on the right side of the fireplace. Recommend monitoring this area on large snow loads, and recommend contacting a qualified contractor to evaluate if necessary.







02/22/2015

The following interior images were added to this report to provide you with some visual features of the property and condition before moving in and taking ownership.



















Fireplace

Depth to nearest flammable material: 12 inches Inspected: Level 1 Inspection

Flu liner: Was not visible

Depth of hearth extension: 12 inches Gas or woodstove brand name: Unknown

Fireplace Location: Family room Gas Insert: Worked as designed



02/22/2015

Recommend a level 2 inspection performed by a qualified chimney sweep for a piece of mine. Read the owners manual so you know how the unit works, and what the maintenance schedule may be. This inspection will determine the condition of the flue liner.



02/22/2015 At the time of the inspection the fireplace worked as designed upon turning the switch on.





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Kitchen

Counter tops: Solid Surface Material

Number of GFCI outlets: Two, and worked properly

Number of regular outlets: One Kitchen floor: Hardwood Dishwasher age: Midlife Ran water and found: No leaks

Refrigerator: Amana

Operated range and found: All burners working

Operated oven and found: Gave off heat

Disposal: In Sink Erator Oven: Part of stove Range: General Electric Range type: Electric Cabinets: Wooden Cabinets are secure: Yes

Counter tops securely fastened: Yes
GFCI outlets working properly: Yes

Dishwasher: Asko Swidish Refrigerator age: Middle Range age: Midlife

Opened and closed and found: seemed to function

Kitchen sink: Stainless steel Ventilation: None noted



02/22/2015

The following images of the kitchen were added to this report to help provide you a visual indication of the prior property condition before moving in and taking ownership.











02/22/2015 At the time of the home inspection there were no visual defects in the kitchen.

Laundry

Vented to:: Exterior

Drain pipe & Electric: Are a safe distance

Washing machine:: L/G

Connections from water, drain & electric:: Noted

Dryer age:: Midlife

Operated washer and dryer:: Did Not operate

Dryer power:: Electric

Dryer vent material:: Flexible ribbed metal

Dryer:: L/G

Location:: Near kitchen

Washing machine age:: Midlife



02/22/2015

The dryer vent is a flexible foil duct with multiple connections in the basement. This may cause a clog with the lint build up and cause a fire. (Refer to Basement pictures). Recommend contacting a qualified contractor to evaluate and repair as necessary.









02/22/2015

The following images of the laundry room were added to the report to provide you a visual indication of the prior property condition before moving in and taking ownership.





Heating System

Emergency shut off: Noted at top of stairs Heating system type: Forced hot air Combustion air supply: Exterior Apparent age of unit: Mid-life

Vent pipe: PVC

Vent pipe: Vents outside

Thermostat was turned on, the system: Fired or gave heat

Flue pipes: High Efficiency

System location: Basement Brand name: Lennox Energy source: Gas

Distribution: Ductwork in most rooms



02/23/2015

At the time of the inspection there was rust stains on the rear of the furnace. This could of been caused by the indoor evaporator coil and the suction line (the large copper refrigerant line in black insulation) sweats. This looked to be taken care of according to the log records that are posted on of the heating unit. Recommend monitoring this in the future. If there are any changes please contacting a qualified heating contractor to evaluate and or replace as necessary.







02/23/2015 At the time of the inspection the furnace had worked as designed. It was 12 Deg outside and was 72 inside.







02/23/2015 Emergency switch plate was noted at the top of the basement stairs.







Noted was a maintenance schedule on the side of the furnace. Reading the owners manual will help to determine the appropriate maintenance schedule needed for this unit. Recommend consider a yearly service plan that may be offered by a local heating and cooling contractor.





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Domestic Water Heater

Capacity: 50 Gallons Location: Basement

Manufacturer: General Electric

Type: Tank

Estimated age: Midlife Safety relief valve: Was noted Type: High Efficiency Estimated age: Dated 2010

Supply valve: Was noted

Rust or corrosion: Was not noted Energy source: Natural gas

Tested hot water: Hot water was received at faucet

Safety extension: Was noted Drain discharge to: Non Noted



02/22/2015 At the time of the home inspection the water heater operated as designed on the day of the inspection.







Recommend reading the owners manual to determine the appropriate maintenance schedule needed for this unit. Most hot water tanks are warranted between 6 to 10 years and may go in any time. Think about budgeting for a new one in the future. Consider a service plan that may be offered by a qualified heating and cooling technician.

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Electrical System

15 amp breaker: 14 Guage wire 30 amp breaker: 10 Guage wire Location of main panel: Basement Aluminum branch wiring present: No

Additional room: Yes

Double tapped breakers: No

Grounding connection feels: Secure Service conductor material: Aluminum

Main disconnect rating: 200 amp breaker

Missing covers: No

20 amp breaker: 12 Guage wire

Grounding observed to: Water main on house side If grounded to water main, is meter jumped: Yes Location of main disconnect: Top of panel

Type of protection: Circuit breakers

Type of branch circuit wiring: NM sheathed (Romex)



02/22/2015 At the time of the home inspection there were no visible defects in panel and the system worked as designed.









Plumbing System

Main waste line cleanouts: Noted Water service type: Public Main entry pipe: Copper Main entry pipe: 1"Inch Copper Interior supply pipes: Copper Waste system pipes: Plastic Vent pipe observed: On roof

Location of main water meter: Basement

Location of main water shut-off: Next to meter Location of main water shut-off: Basement

House trap: Not noted



Vents admit oxygen into to the waste system to allow aerobic sewage digestion. Vents provide a way to equalize the pressure on both sides of a trap, thereby allowing the trap to hold water, which is needed to maintain effectiveness of the trap. Vents provide a means to release sewer gases outside instead of inside the house. Recommend monitoring large amount of snow covering that may cover vent pipe.





02/26/2015 At the time of the home inspection the plumbing system worked as designed. (No Pictures provided)

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Basement

Basement access: Stairs from interior

Ventilation: Windows

Insulation material: Fiberglass roll located above sill plate

Insulation material: Located on walls

Insulation material: Foil Vapor Barrior Over Insulation

Foundation walls made of: Poured concrete Basement floor: Poured concrete slab

Basement floor: Control Joints

Foundation walls: Hidden from view by insulation

Pier/support post material: Steel
Floor drainage: French drain
Ceiling framing: Exposed to view

Support column condition: Appears intact

Beam material: Steel

Floor structure above: Wood joists Sump pump: Sump pump Pit Noted

Sump pump: Sump Pit was not being used Floor structure above: 2"x10" 16" O/C





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This is the sewer pipe line as well as the clean-out plug, if in fact your sewer line is clogged between the house and the street.







02/23/2015

There are (2)water meters. One is for metering the water for the house and one is for metering the water from your sprinklers, and the silk cocks on the out side of the house. For any further instructions or information contact your towns municipality.











Here are some pictures of the water shut off that is in the front of the basement close to the floor. The 1" copper line comes threw the floor of the basement up to your shut off valve.







02/23/2015

There is a sump pump pit that is not being used in the rear corner of the basement. Noted the basement was dry at that time of the home inspection, but noted there was water in the sump pit.





Safety Concerns

Smoke detectors noted: In each bedroom

Carbon Monoxide noted: Yes Smoke detectors installed: On wall



02/22/2015

Recommend replacing all existing smoke detectors with new ones. All Smoke detectors have a limited warranty. Please read owners manual that is provided with the unit to provide you that information.







02/22/2015

Recommend to replace all existing CO detectors with new ones. CO detectors have a limited warranty. Follow owners manual for guidance. [No images]



02/22/2015

Batteries, if replaceable, should be changed at least once a year, if not twice. Your personal safety is worth a lot more than a few dollars in batteries. Also, consider changing them if you have been away for a few weeks, in case you happen to have miss the warning beeps.

The listing home inspection was limited to readily accessible areas of the building and was limited to visual observations only. Your inspector cannot report on obscured or concealed defects. He did not move furniture, lift carpeting, or dismantle any items or equipment.

An earnest effort was made to discover all of the visible defects. All of the major deficiencies observed are reported. Minor deficiencies are also included but we did not attempt to list them all. This report is based on opinions of the inspector only and is not a guarantee or warranty.

This home inspection is in accordance with the current Standards of Practice of the National Association of Certified Home Inspectors posted at http://www.nachi.org/sop.htm

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