

CITY OF LONOKE
SPECIAL CONDEMNATION MEETING
DECEMBER 3, 2020

The Lonoke City Council held a special meeting via zoom application at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday December 3, 2020. Mayor Trae Reed called the meeting to order with the invocation given by Mayor Trey Reed. City Clerk, Jeribeth Edwards to call the roll. City Clerk Jeribeth Edwards called the roll and a quorum.

Mayor	Trae Reed
City Clerk	Jeribeth Edwards
Treasurer	Phillip Howell (absent)
Deputy Clerk	Regina Ibbotson (absent)
Council Members	Efrem Jones (absent), Alice Bridges, Raymond Hatton, Ryan Biles, Matt Cordell, Michael Florence, Koy Butler (absent), and Suzette Elmore
City Attorney	Ginger Stuart
Police Chief	Matt Edwards (absent)
W/S/S Supt.	Jim Kelley (absent)
C.C. Director	Mike Brown (absent)
Fire Dept.	Justin Wittenberg (absent)
Parks Director	Roy Don (absent)
Community Dev.	Jeremy Gosdin
News Media	Rick Kron, The Leader (absent)
Visitors	Vonda Evans

1. Resolution 12-1-2020- “Condemn Property at 221 Vassar Lane”- Ms. Vonda Evans was present, she mentioned that both of the owners are deceased. The city has not been able to get ahold of any heirs. The property is in complete despair. The state is aware this property needs to be condemned. Ginger Stuart mentioned that the few heirs that has been notified in the past believe this is the right thing to do for the community. Also, she mentioned the city is in understanding there will be no payment to the city from anyone. Raymond Hatton made a motion to put Res. 12-1-2020 on the floor. Michael Florence seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ginger Stuart read Res. 12-1-2020 and its entirety. Michael Florence asked if we could put a lien on the property. Ginger Stuart explained the city would have to foreclose on the property and it would be costly. She suggested the city not do that. Ryan Biles asked how much this property will cost to demo the property. Ms. Vonda said approx. \$4,000.00. Suzette Elmore made a motion to approve. Alice Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. Resolution 12-2-2020- “Condemn Property at 219 Harrison Street”- This property owner responded to the condemnation letter to go ahead and condemn the property, other than that there has not been any correspondence. Ginger Stuart did been mentioned there are some heirs however the city has no idea all the heirs. Mrs. Stuart did mention the city would not be paid for demolition. Alice Bridges made a motion to put Res. 12-2-2020 on the floor. Matt Cordell seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ginger

Stuart read the Resolution and its entirety. Ryan Biles made a motion to approve. Raymond Hatton seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mrs. Vonda mentioned demo would be between \$3,000.00-\$3,500.00.

3. Resolution 12-3-2020- "Condemn Property at 315 McKinley Street"- Ms. Vonda mentioned this property was burnt a few years ago, therefore unlivable. The insurance has not paid off on this property. There is a lien holder, ARC Home, LCFKA Mr. John Phillips is the owner on this property. The city has done everything that can be done, and no one has responded. Ryan Biles made a motion to put Resolution 12-3-2020 on the floor. Michael Florence seconded the motion. Motion carried. Alice Bridges made a motion to approve. Matt Cordell seconded the motion. Motion carried. The quote of demo is close to \$5,000.00-\$6,000.00.

4. Budget and Status of Previous Liens-

- 719 S. Center- 9,000.00
- 317 Harrison- \$5,000.00
- Legal fees/ Admin- 1.871.00

Remaining- \$14,871.00

Status of Liens Filed

- 317 Harrison- pending
- 719 S. Center- pending

5. 1st quarter 2021 Condemnation List-

Mayor Reed and Ms. Vonda decided to hold off on the new list due to the fact, there is a new Community Developer. Which that meeting should be in March 2021.

Adjourn

Mayor Trae Reed

Attest:

Clerk