

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Abbeville met in special session on May 16, 2023 at 5:00 P.M., at the regular meeting place, the Council Meeting Room located at 101 North State Street, Abbeville, Louisiana, with the Honorable Roslyn R. White, Mayor presiding.

Members Present: Council Members, Carlton Campbell, Brady Broussard, Jr., Terry Broussard, Francis Touchet, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem and Tony Hardy

Member Absent: None

Also, Present: Bart Broussard, City Attorney
Jude Mire, Fire Chief
Chris Gautreaux, Parks and Public Works Director
Gene Sellers, Engineer

Mayor White called the special City Council meeting to order and requested a roll call. She asked if there were any comments on any agenda item prior to action. There were none.

The entire meeting was to discuss various code violations at various properties with the owners of those properties.

913 E. Oak Street-dilapidated structure, rubbish, trash, overgrown trees and overgrown grass. Ms. Norma Istre appeared. Ms. Istre wanted to fix up the property. Chris Gautreaux stated that nothing had been done since the inspection and the house cannot be fixed. Mayor White stated the house had originally been condemned in February 2020 and Ms. Istre purchased it in March of 2020. Chris reminded Ms. Istre that if she does the demolition herself, she must rent a roll off dumpster. It cannot be put to the road.

-01 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to condemn the structure at 913 E. Oak Street and the owner must apply for a demolition permit by week's end and there must be progress on the property within 30 days or the City will receive bids to have it demolished. The motion carried unanimously.

608 Hawthorne Street – dilapidated structures (house and shed), two junk vehicles, rubbish, trash, overgrown trees and overgrown grass. No one appeared.

-02 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to condemn the structures at 608 Hawthorne Street and requests bids to demolish the structures and clean property. The motion carried unanimously.

312 S. Lyman Street- dilapidated structure, rubbish trash, overgrown trees and overgrown grass. Ms. Octavia Green appeared. She requested a two-month extension to put a roof on the structure.

-03 introduced by Ms. Terry Broussard and seconded by Mr. Carlton Campbell to grant the property owner of 312 S. Lyman Street a two-month extension to bring the property into compliance. The motion carried unanimously.

311 E. Vermilion Street-dilapidated structure (mobile home), rubbish, trash, overgrown trees and overgrown grass. Mr. Christopher Cao appeared. Mr. Cao stated that he will clean up the lot but the mobile home does not belong to him. It belongs to Dorothy Robert. He would need to evict her off the property.

-04 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to condemn the structure, Mr. Cao will clean up the property and the property owner is given 6 weeks to bring the property into compliance. The motion carried unanimously.

309 E. Vermilion Street-dilapidated structure (mobile home), rubbish, trash, overgrown trees and overgrown grass. Mr. Christopher Cao appeared.

-05 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to condemn the structure, Mr. Cao will clean up the property and the property owner is given 6 weeks to bring the property into compliance. The motion carried unanimously.

305 N. East Street- dilapidated structure, rubbish, trash, overgrown trees and overgrown grass. Mr. Christopher Cao appeared. According to Mr. Cao, the structure does not belong to him it belongs to Mr. Trahan. Mr. Trahan would have to get the demolition permit and get a roll off dumpster to put the waste from the demolition.

-06 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to condemn the structure at 305 N. East Street and give the homeowner 30 days to tear the structure down. Mr. Cao will clean the property. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor White declared this meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Kathleen S. Faulk
Secretary-Treasurer

Roslyn R. White
Mayor