

The Mayor Pro-Tem and Council of the City of Abbeville met in special session on May 17, 2022 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 Francis Touchet, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem, presiding.

Members Present: Council Members, Francis Plaisance, Terry Broussard, Francis Touchet, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem and Roslyn White

Members Absent: Mayor Mark Piazza
Councilman Brady Broussard, Jr.

Also, Present: Ike Funderburk, City Attorney

Councilman Touchet stated that we are here for this special City Council meeting to conduct two public hearings for the property located at 409 Old Kaplan Highway and 500 2nd Street. He asked if there were any comments from the public about the agenda items. There were none.

409 Old Kaplan Highway – *the representative was present at the meeting. Councilwoman White stated that we are here for this property because of a light nuisance violation. This has been an ongoing thing between two neighbors and the property owner has now put up a light that is adjacent to the other neighbor's property and the light shines directly into the neighbors' window. It is right on the fence line, right at the window so it does appear to be intentional. The property owner stated the light is there for security on his property. Ike stated that he rode by the property with the Chief of Police and they were able to take some pictures. Those have been presented to the Council. You will see that if the owner was really concerned about the security of his property, he would have put the light pole in the center of his property. Instead, he has put it as close to the fence as possible and by doing so he is not protecting his property but he is creating a nuisance for his neighbor. Councilwoman White stated that she has received no less than about 15 nuisance calls about this property for about two years. It has been an ongoing problem. This is a violation and, in her opinion, we should take action. Ike suggested that we give them five days to abate the nuisance which would be to remove the light off of the property line.*

-01 introduced by Ms. Roslyn White and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to give the property owner of 409 Old Kaplan Highway five days to remove the light off of the property line. The motion carried unanimously.

500 2nd Street – *Mr. Preston Summers is a co-owner of the property and he was present to represent the property. He is one of five heirs. It has been on the market two times. Five people can't agree on the selling price. His brother has filed for a permit to demolish the existing garage in the back. We will demolish the structure. He hopes to have it done within 90 days.*

-02 introduced by Ms. Roslyn White and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to declare the dilapidated structure a nuisance and to give the owner 90 days to demolish the garage located at 500 2nd Street. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilman Touchet declared this meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Kathleen S. Faulk
Secretary-Treasurer

Francis Touchet, Jr.
Mayor Pro-Tem