

The Mayor and Council of the City of Abbeville met in special session on May 4, 2021 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 Mark Piazza, Mayor, presiding.

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

Members Absent: None

Also, Present: Ike Funderburk, City Attorney
Jude Mire, Fire Chief
Clay Menard, Public Works Director
Allie Horton, Digital Media Assistant
Travis Loftin
Clovis Bessard

Mayor Piazza stated we are here tonight for a special City Council meeting for a public hearing to address two properties. The properties are located at 1003 S. Shireview Circle and 1012 Kibbe Street.

PUBLIC HEARING

1003 S. Shireview Circle – *Mr. Travis Loftin was present to represent the property. He stated that his mother passed away in 2017 and his sister was living in the mobile home last year. The mobile home caught fire. She did not have the means to take care of it. The paperwork selling the mobile home to his mother was never filed and it was still in the previous owner's name. Mr. Loftin received a phone call from the previous owner two weeks ago. The previous owner told him that he was being sued because the property is still under his name. Mr. Loftin came down from Baton Rouge last week to put the property in his name. He will make arrangements to remove the mobile home from the property. He found out about a week ago. He would like to find someone who would want the mobile home for scrap purposes but he knows that would take longer than is allowed. He requested 60 days. He understands why people are complaining about it. This should have been taken care of a long time ago. Councilman Broussard stated that he is glad Mr. Loftin understands that the neighbors are complaining because it takes away the value of neighboring property owners. He understands that Mr. Loftin was only notified two weeks ago but the most he can do to suggest to the Council and the Mayor is 30 days. This has been going on for several months and he has received a lot of calls about this. The citizens are asking for action on it. You can talk to Sarah Alpough in our Tax and Permit Department and she can provide a list of contractors who can assist you with this. They may be able to get that done quicker than 30 days. Mr. Loftin stated that he has already spoken to Sarah and she has offered to provide the list to him. Mr. Loftin asked if the entire property needed to be cleared within 30 days or just the structure. Councilman Broussard stated the structure has to be removed within 30 days. Mayor Piazza stated that Councilman Broussard would work with Mr. Loftin for the remainder of the lot.*

1012 Kibbe Street – *Mr. Clovis Bessard was present to represent the property. He stated that he owns the mobile home and his mother owns the property. Mayor Piazza stated the issue is with*

the mobile home. He asked Mr. Bessard what his intentions are for the mobile home. Mr. Bessard stated he wants to tear it down. He is trying to do it himself a little bit at a time. Councilwoman Broussard asked Mr. Bessard how much time he needs. Mr. Bessard requested 30 days to remove the structure completely.

-01 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Francis Plaisance to condemn the structure located at 1003 S. Shireview Circle and grant the owner 30 days to demolish and remove the structure from the property. The motion carried unanimously.

-02 introduced by Ms. Terry Broussard and seconded by Mr. Francis Plaisance to condemn the structure located at 1012 Kibbe Street and grant the owner 30 days to demolish and remove the structure from the property. The motion carried unanimously.

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

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Kathleen S. Faulk
Secretary-Treasurer

Mark Piazza
Mayor