

State of Indiana
Greene County
City of Linton

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING
MONDAY May 1, 2023, 4:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Blighted Properties

Murdick Angelina - Property (Eagles Bldg.)

Ground needs filled in where the monument will be. Also, there is a question concerning the sealant that was put on the walls. The city is holding some money still due on the project.

Ron Lehman – Update on Properties

15 E. Vincennes St - G.C. Murphy Building - Jeff Doris

Mayor Wilkes spoke with Mr. Doris, and he is cleaning up the building and working on the roof. Mr. Doris told Mayor Wilkes that he would have things taken care of one way or another, which includes the Fire Station by September 1, 2023.

NW A Street – Fire Building/City Hall – Jeff Doris

Mayor Wilkes stated when talking to Mr. Doris about the G.C. Murphy Building there was no mention of work in progress on Fire Building/City Hall.

400 N.W. I St – Clarence W. Adams Jr. & Darlene

Ron Lehman gave an update on property. Nothing has been cleared. They are being fined every 90 days in the amount of \$500.00 Sam will send a reminder notice to Adams that they are being fined.

1039 S.W. A St – Brian & Stephanie Robinson

Had previously been removed from the agenda. Geoge Skeel made a motion to add and Mayor Wilkes 2nd. 2 ayes, passed. Carr-Thomas has completed the cleanup. Waiting for the invoice from Carr-Thomas. The cost for cleanup to Carr-Thomas is \$5499.50 and average processing expense is \$927.87 to the city. If not paid in 30 days a lean will be put against the property. Motion was made by Mayor Wilkes to access the cost and 2nd by George Skeel. 2 ayes, passed.

642 N.W. "E" Street - Joe Hineman Properties– 22092008

Ron Lehman stated that the weeds are gone but the toys remain. Sam Drummy mentioned imposing the recovery costs due to the processing and title work involved. Motion made by George Skeel and 2nd by Mayor Wilkes. 2 ayes, passed.

130 S.W. 1st Street - Karen Johnson - 220921004

Ron Lehman stated that Carr-Thomas will have the property cleaned up soon.

1109 NW 1st - DSV SPV2, LLC

Sam Drummy said the ownership of the property has changed hands to Castlerock 2023 LLC. Due to the changing of ownership Sam Drummy will send a notice to the new owners that it will be torn down in 30 days. A motion was made to extend the deadline until the next meeting. Motion was made by George Skeel and 2nd by Mayor Wilkes. 2 ayes, passed.

410 7th St NE – Richard Eakin

Ron Lehman stated he thought Mr. Eakin's daughter Linda Hicks had been to the property and had done some cleaning up and mowing. It was suggested to extend the deadline for another month. Motion was made by George Skeel and 2nd by Mayor Wilkes. 2 ayes, passes.

155 6th St SW – Jimmy Modesitt

Sam Drummy stated that the property has changed hands and is now owned by Joshua Bellville. Sam Drummy suggested sending a notice to the new owner extending the deadline and soliciting bids. Motion made by George Skeel and 2nd by Mayor Wilkes. 2 ayes, passed.

170 NW J St – Debbie Smith

Sam Drummy suggested extending the deadline and soliciting bids for tear down and removal. Motion was made by George Skeel and 2nd by Mayor Wilkes. 2 ayes, passed.

224 I St SW – Loretta Kay Cantu

Ron Lehman stated there is a modular on the property as well as remains of a burned house that needs cleaned up. There are no utilities and signs of hoarding in modular. Ron sent a notice to the owner on March 7, 2023, and she said she would get property cleaned up but so far, she has done nothing. Sam said title work would need to be done on property and that he would take care of it.

130 F St NE - Ralph L & Christina L Deeds

Ron Lehman stated that both owners have passed away. The garage needs to be torn down. There are boats and a car in the driveway. Ron will try to contact a relative of Christina Deeds.

Ron Lehman spoke about the house at 66 5th Street SE which is owned by Diane Crody. Ron said that the Board of Health (Shari Lewis) has reached out to Ms. Crody encouraging her to talk with SIDC about possible rehab at her house. Ron had sent her a 10-day notice on April 12, 2023, which she has started cleaning up. She also has no running water and a large hole in the roof. The Board of Health has received many calls about Ms. Crody concerning health and safety. The mayor suggested that Ron reach out to Shari Lewis again for assistance.

Clarence and Darlene Adam's son came to the meeting but after their property was discussed. Ron spoke to him about cleanup and that fines were being added at \$500.00 every 90 days to parent's property. Sam Drummy told him the first fine was imposed in November of 2022. The fine has not been paid and soon will be \$1500.00. He was encouraged to get the property cleaned up or the city would do it.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by George Skeel and 2nd by Mayor Wilkes, 2 ayes, passed.



Mayor John Wilkes



Clerk-Treasurer Claudia Walker