

State of Indiana
Greene County
City of Linton

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING
MONDAY June 5, 2023, 4:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Blighted Properties

Murdick Angelina - Property (Eagles Bldg.)

Mayor Wilkes spoke with representative dirt will be brought in and leveling work will be done once the monument is brought in and set up which should be at any time.

Kennedy Building

Mayor Wilkes stated that work started today with the cleanup of walls, filling holes with mortar and sealing. He was told that clean up would be done by July 4th, 2023. Mayor Wilkes spoke with Jenny Bradbury that once cleanup is completed; she will see about adding something temporary to the area that would be festive.

Ron Lehman – Update on Properties

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

Ron Lehman stated that he and Gary Tannehill will fly a drone over the building. Mr. Doris has complied with the cleanup and Ron stated he feels the buildings' safety and health issues have been addressed at this time. Harold Smith has made an offer to Mr. Doris to purchase the building and they are in negotiations. Sam Drummy will move forward with assessing fees. A motion was made by George Skeel and 2nd by Tony Richards. 3 ayes, passed.

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

Ron Lehman stated that Mr. Doris is working on the building at this time. Ron will continue to give updates.

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

Ron Lehman gave an update on property. Nothing has been cleared. Sam Drummy will look to see if the fine has been paid, if not paid could be added to their taxes. Sam also mentions another option would be to file a small claims suit.

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

Ron Lehman stated that the grass is extremely high and needs mowing. Ron will try to find someone who has a bushhog that would be able to mow the property.

1109 NW 1st – Castlerock 2023, LLC

Ron Lehman stated that he sent a new 10-day notice to owners. Sam Drummy updated the title work, and a new enforcement order served. Sam stated due to timing awarding bids will be at the July meeting. A motion was made by Tony Richards to affirm the new enforcement order and set the deadline for July 10th, 2023. Seconded by George Skeel. 3 ayes, passed.

155 6th St SW– Jeffrey Roe (Former owner Jimmy Modesitt)

Sam Drummy stated that the property has changed hands once again and Jeffrey Roe now owns the property. Sam stated updated title work has been done. No clean up has been done. The owner will be given to the next meeting and if nothing is done will take bids to tear down and clean up. The motion was made by George Skeel and 2nd by Tony Richards. 3 ayes, passed.

170 NW J St – Debbie Smith

Ron stated that the property has been mowed by the city. No bids have been received for tear down of the property. Will try again for bids and revisit next month.

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. Nothing has changed in several years. Title work was done on property. An enforcement order will be sent and notice of hearing for the July meeting.

130 F St NE - Ralph L & Christina L Deeds

Ron Lehman stated that both owners have passed. Christina has an heir that lives in Virginia. Property is in probate now. Ron was told by the heir that when property is in their name the garage will be torn down.

66 5th St NE - Diana Crody

Ron Lehman stated he has had several complaints about the property. The Health Department paid for a dumpster. The roof has two large holes in it and there has been no water in the house for 11 years. The yard is overgrown, and an old car is sitting out front. An enforcement order will be sent and revisited at the next meeting.

40 West 140 N - Jeffrey & Nicole Franklin

Ron Lehman stated he has had complaints about the property. The house needs to be torn down and has been an ongoing issue. There is also an old camper on the property that belongs to Jayson Smith. Mayor Wilkes suggested giving owners 30 days to take care of the house, or the city will take bids for the house to be torn down. Sam Drummy stated he will have title work done.

R R 2 Box 560 – Levi Hall

Ron Lehman stated that clean up was in progress. Will leave on agenda for next month for an update.

130 SW 1st - Karen Johnson

Ron Lehman stated that the building has been torn down and finished. Still waiting for an invoice. Ron will contact Carr-Thomas about an invoice.

Bonham Building – Vinod Gupta

Ron Lehman stated that he has had several calls regarding dead pigeons on the sidewalk. There are bricks falling out of the back northwest corner.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Tony Richards and 2nd by George Skeel, 3 ayes, passed.



Mayor John Wilkes



Clerk-Treasurer Claudia Walker