

November 6, 2023

The Board of Public Works & Safety met on Monday, November 6, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the Marion City Council Chambers. Present were Alex Huskey, Janice Adams, Cindy Cunningham, and secretary to the board.

Motion to temporarily suspend the rules to approve Alex Huskey to chair the meeting- Cindy Cunningham; seconded Janice Adams. Motion carried

**City of Marion- Public Hearing**

Janet Pearson stated the city owned property located at 503 E.9<sup>th</sup> Street is a vacant lot that the city would like sell for \$800 to get it back on the tax rolls.

Motion to approve the sale of 503 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street- Janice Adams; seconded Cindy Cunningham

**Lease Termination-Girl Scout Cabin**

Janet Pearson explained that the Girl Scout cabin is a 222 W. Spencer Ave. The girl scouts are cutting back on their facilities and they are offering to give the property to the City of Marion. They would get a Quick Claim Deed and an agreement signed and recorded then the city would take title to the property. The city would like for you to terminate the lease agreement. Cindy Cunningham asked what the city plans on doing with the building. James Loftis told the board they plan on using it for another shelter rental for the park, may be have a canoe or kayak rental, and let the Girl Scouts stay in there too. Cindy Cunningham asked if there is a kitchen in it and James Loftis said yes. Alex Huskey stated there was an extension on the lease agreement in 2004. He asked if that what we are operating under. Janet Pearson said yes.

Motion to approve the termination of the Girl Scout cabin lease-Cindy Cunningham; seconded Janice Adams.

Motion carried.

**Building Department- Demolitions**

Jerry Foustnight said all of the requirements were sent out for 711 W. 6<sup>th</sup> Street. The owners were notified. There were pictures submitted to board regarding the state of the property. The building department received a letter from the owner and Janice Adams asked if there has been any more contact. Jerry Foustnight stated no. Jerry Foustnight stated that they sent the owner a letter telling her that what she sent was not acceptable because there is no plan in place. The owner has not responded to that letter. Alex Huskey asked if the owner is a landlord to the property. Jerry Foustnight stated he believes she said she has an interest in the property. Alex Huskey said since she lives in Florida he is not sure she knows the condition of the property. Alex Huskey asked if anything is sent to the owner letting them know it has been approved for demolition. Jerry Foustnight stated no but he can have Whitney send her a letter explaining it has been approved for demolition to see if there is a response.

Motion to approve the demolition at 711 W, 6<sup>th</sup> Street with the exception that Whitney will send a letter telling them it has been approved and they have 30 days to contact the building department with an acceptable plan.

Alex Huskey said both properties are owned by the same person. Cindy Cunningham modified her motion to include both properties.

Motion to approve the demolitions 711 W. 6<sup>th</sup> and 2354 W. 9<sup>th</sup> St with the exception that Whitney will send a letter telling them it has been approved and they have 30 days to contact the building department with an acceptable plan- Cindy Cunningham; seconded Janice Adams.

**Public Comment**

No public comment.

Motion to adjourn-Janice Adams; seconded Cindy Cunningham

Meeting adjourned.

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Linda Wilk-President  
Board of Public Works & Safety

ATTEST:

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Aisha Richard- Secretary  
Board of Public Works & Safety