

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL
IN SPECIAL SESSION
JANUARY 25, 2021

The Council Chairman, D. W. Guidry, Sr., conducted the Special Session Meeting, in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room for the sole purpose of conducting condemnation hearings.

Councilwoman J. Domangue offered the Invocation and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, Council Members recorded as present were: D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, J. Domangue, D. W. Guidry, Sr., and D. Babin. Councilman J. Navy was recorded as absent. A quorum was declared present.

Code Enforcement Officer Deon Stewart presented the historical background on the residential structure located at 520 Columbus Street, Houma, LA, owned by De’Inez Hite, stating that the inspection conducted on January 19, 2021 indicated that this structure was in such a condition to be formally declared as dilapidated and dangerous, rendering it hazardous to the overall health, safety & welfare to the general public, & causing a blight problem – with the following conditions present: The structure is unsuitable for human habitation and is a possible attraction for vagrancy and other illegal activity. The exterior of the property has not been maintained in a clean and sanitary condition. The exterior walls contain holes and missing and/or rotting materials. There is no active permit on file. Ms. Stewart continued that the structure has been on the condemnation list since 2013. Staff recommended that the structure be condemned.

Ms. De’Inez Hite, owner of the property located at 520 Columbus Street, stated that she is currently unable to properly care for the property due to health reasons. She requested that the Council grant her an extension to complete the needed repairs.

Parish Attorney Jules Hebert requested that the condemnation packages prepared for 520 Columbus St. and following properties be marked as exhibits.

Councilman C. Harding and Parish Manager Jules Hebert explained to Ms. Hite that the parish has certain guidelines that have to be followed regarding repairing dilapidated structures.

Mr. Harding recommended that additional time be granted to allow her time to make the necessary improvements.

Mr. C. Harding moved, seconded by Mr. S. Trosclair, “THAT, the Council find the residential structure located at 520 Columbus Street, Houma, LA, owned by De’Inez Hite, per legal description,

Lot five (5) of block one hundred twenty-eight (128) of the Parr Addition to the city of Houma, as shown and designated on a plan thereof made by S.J. Achee, Jr., Surveyor, of record in COB 59, folio 516, Parish of Terrebonne, said Lot Five (5) of Block 128 of Parr Addition measures a frontage of Fifty (50’) feet on the west side of Columbus Street, by depth of One hundred sixty-two (162’) on its north and south lot line; said lot being bounded on the east by Columbus Street. On the north by lot four (4) of Block 128, on the south by Lot Six (6) of Block 128, and on the west by property belonging to Harry Hellier, or assigns; together with all buildings and improvements thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, all as shown on a survey made by Douglass S. Talbot, C.E., dated March 29, 1965.

Being the same property acquired by James Hite and wife, Fern Taylor Hite by act before Richard E. Talbot dated March 29, 1965 from Mrs. Emma Davis Hite, registered in COB 393, folio 602, and recorded in MOB 2442, and folio 438.

is in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the health, safety, and welfare of the public. Accordingly, the structure is hereby condemned, and the owner is hereby ordered to demolish, and/or remove the structure by February 28, 2021. In default of which the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government may proceed to do so, and in accordance therewith, the Parish Administration be authorized to proceed with the bidding process for the demolition and/or removal.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. C. Harding

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, J. Domangue, D. W. Guidry, Sr., and D. Babin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: J. Navy

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Code Enforcement Officer Deon Stewart presented the historical background on the residential structure located at 515 Antoine Street, Houma, LA, stating that the inspection conducted on January 19, 2021 indicated that the structure was in such condition to be formally declared as dilapidated and dangerous, rendering it hazardous to the overall health, safety & welfare to the general public, & causing a blight problem – with the following conditions present: The structure is unsuitable for human habitation, the exterior of the property has not been maintained in a clean and sanitary condition; maybe a place for harboring stray animals, rodents, insects, & vermin infestations; the interior has not been maintained in a clean and sanitary condition; the property is inundated with junk & trash; and there is no electrical service. There is no active permit on file. Ms. Stewart continued that the structure has been on the condemnation list since 2017 and there was no progress to date. Staff recommended that this structure be condemned.

Parish Attorney Jules Hebert, on behalf of Administration, presented evidence of the entire record submitted by the Nuisance Abatement and Planning Department which supports condemning the structure located at 515 Antoine Street, Houma, LA.

Mr. C. Harding moved, seconded by Mr. Babin “THAT, the Council find the residential structure located at 515 Antoine Street, Houma, LA, owned by Roberto J. Robledo and Bessie Robledo, per legal description,

A certain lot of ground situated in the Parish of Terrebonne, Louisiana just west of the City of Houma, measuring seventy-two feet, six inches (72’6”) front on the East side of Antoine Street by depth between parallel lines of One Hundred Twenty (120’) feet and being the South-Most portion of Lots One (1) and Two (2) in Block Nine (9) of West End Subdivision made by T. Baker Smith, C.E. February 21, 1950, recorded in C.O.B. 125, folio 105, Terrebonne Parish; said lot being bounded in the East by Lot Three (3) of Block Nine (9) South by Eliza Street, West by Antoine Street and North by property of L.J. Freeman or assigns; together with all the buildings and improvements thereon and all rights, ways, privileges, servitudes and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

is in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the health, safety, and welfare of the public. Accordingly, the structure is hereby condemned, and the owner is hereby ordered to demolish, and/or remove the structure by February 28, 2021. In default of which the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government may proceed to do so, and in accordance therewith, the Parish Administration be authorized to proceed with the bidding process for the demolition and/or removal.”

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. C. Harding.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, J. Domangue, D. W. Guidry, Sr., and D. Babin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: J. Navy

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Code Enforcement Officer Deon Stewart presented the historical background on the residential structure located at 2384 Highway 665 Montegut, LA, owned by Joseph Levron and Ryan Levron, stating that the inspection conducted on January 19, 2021 indicated that these structures were in such condition to be formally declared as dilapidated and dangerous, rendering them hazardous to the overall health, safety & welfare to the general public, & causing a blight problem - with the following conditions present: The structure is unsuitable for human habitation, maybe a place for harboring stray animals, rodents, insects, & vermin infestations; the interior has not been maintained in a clean and sanitary condition; property is inundated with junk & trash; there is no electrical service. Ms. Stewart also stated that this structure has been on the condemnation list since 2018 and there was no progress to date. Staff recommended that this structure be condemned.

Parish Attorney Jules Hebert, on behalf of Administration, presented evidence of the entire record submitted by the Nuisance Abatement and Planning Department which supports condemning the structure located at 2384 Highway 665 Montegut, LA.

Mr. S. Trosclair moved, seconded by Mr. D. Babin, "THAT, the Council find the residential structure located at located at 2384 Highway 665, Montegut, LA, owned by Joseph Levron and Ryan Levron, per legal description,

On the right descending bank of Bayou Pointe Au Chien. Bounded above by Henry Naquin. Bounded below by Paul Allie Levron. Having a frontage of 229 feet by depth survey. In Section 53 T18S-R19E. Less lot 80 X 450 feet sold to Raymond J Belanger. CB 152/684.

is in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the health, safety, and welfare of the public. Accordingly, the structure is hereby condemned, and the owner is hereby ordered to demolish, and/or remove the structure by February 28, 2021. In default of which the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government may proceed to do so, and in accordance therewith, the Parish Administration be authorized to proceed with the bidding process for the demolition and/or removal."

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. S. Trosclair.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, J. Domangue, D. W. Guidry, Sr., and D. Babin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: J. Navy

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Code Enforcement Officer Deon Stewart presented the historical background on the residential structure located at 136 King Street, Houma, LA. Ms. Stewart also stated that this structure has been on the condemnation list since 2018 and then recommended that the file be closed due to the removal and relocation of said structure.

Mr. D. J. Guidry moved, seconded by Mr. D. Babin, "THAT, the Council concur with the recommendation of Administration to close the condemnation file on the residential structure located at 136 King Street, Houma, LA, owned by Elaine M. Nevers-Williams."

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. J. Guidry.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, J. Domangue, D. W. Guidry, Sr., and D. Babin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: J. Navy

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Code Enforcement Officer Deon Stewart presented the historical background on the residential structure located at 57 Kingsridge Loop, Houma, LA, owned by Mario J. Olivas, stating that substantial residential renovations have been made. Staff recommended that the file be closed.

Mr. D. J. Guidry moved, seconded by Mr. G. Michel, "THAT, the Council concur with the recommendation of Administration to close the condemnation file on the residential structure located at 57 Kingsridge Loop, Houma, LA, owned by Mario J. Olivas, due to the structure no longer being in a dilapidated and dangerous condition."

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. J. Guidry.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, J. Domangue, D. W. Guidry, Sr., and D. Babin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: J. Navy

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Code Enforcement Officer Deon Stewart presented the historical background on the residential structure located at 1431 Gautreaux Street, Houma, LA, owned by Bessie C. Lewis, James C. Lewis, Jr., Jessie Lewis Jefferson, Sadie George, Betty R. Brown, Bessie B. Carter, Ralph E. Lewis, Alvin C. Lewis, and Frank D. Lewis, stating that the inspection conducted on January 19, 2021 indicated that this structure was in such condition to be formally declared as dilapidated and dangerous, rendering it hazardous to the overall health, safety & welfare to the general public, & causing a blight problem - with the following conditions present: The structure is unsuitable for human habitation; may possibly attract vagrancy & other illegal activity; the exterior of the property has not been maintained in a clean and sanitary condition; and exterior walls contain holes and missing/rotting materials. There is no active permit on file. Ms. Stewart continued that the structure has been on the condemnation list since 2018 and that there was no progress to date. Staff recommended that the structure be condemned.

Ms. Sadie George, an owner of the property located at 1431 Gautreaux Street, requested that the Council grant her an extension to complete the needed repairs.

Parish Attorney Jules Hebert, on behalf of Administration, presented evidence of the entire record submitted by the Nuisance Abatement and Planning Department which supports condemning the structure located at 1431 Gautreaux Street, Houma, LA.

Mr. C. Harding moved, seconded by Mr. S. Trosclair "THAT, the Council find the residential structure located at 1431 Gautreaux Street, Houma, LA, owned by Bessie C. Lewis, James C. Lewis, Jr., Jessie Lewis Jefferson, Sadie George, Betty R. Brown, Bessie B. Carter, Ralph E. Lewis, Alvin C. Lewis, and Frank D. Lewis, per legal description,

A certain lot of ground situated in the City of Houma, Parish of Terrebonne, Louisiana, in that portion thereof known as Deweyville, said lot bounded on the West by Gautreaux Street, on the north by Lot No. ten (10), East by Lot No. seven (7) and South by Lot No. six (6), said lot being known and designated as Lot No. eight (8) in Block No. nine (9) on a plan of said Deweyville made by C.E. Smedes, Surveyor, on file in the Office of the Clerk of Court of Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

is in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the health, safety, and welfare of the public. Accordingly, the structure is hereby condemned, and the owner is hereby ordered to demolish, and/or remove the structure by April 26, 2021. In default of which the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government may proceed to do so, and in accordance therewith, the Parish Administration be authorized to proceed with the bidding process for the demolition and/or removal."

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. C. Harding.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, J. Domangue, D. W. Guidry, Sr., and D. Babin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: J. Navy

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Code Enforcement Officer Deon Stewart presented the historical background on the residential structure located at 119 Scott Lane, Houma, LA, owned by James & Sandra Shanklin, stating that the inspection conducted on January 20, 2021 indicated that this structure was in such condition to be formally declared as dilapidated and dangerous, rendering it hazardous to the overall health, safety & welfare to the general public, & causing a blight problem - with the following conditions present: The structure is unsuitable for human habitation, windows have not been maintained in weather tight condition, the structure may attract vagrancy and other illegal activity. There is no active permit on file. Staff recommended that the structure be condemned.

Parish Attorney Jules Hebert, on behalf of Administration, presented evidence of the entire record submitted by the Nuisance Abatement and Planning Department which supports condemning the structure located at 119 Scott Lane, Houma, LA.

Ms. Sandra Shanklin, owner of the property located at 119 Scott Lane, requested that the Council grant her an extension to complete the needed repairs.

Mr. C. Harding moved, seconded by Mr. D. Babin, "THAT, the Council continue the condemnation proceeding, until Wednesday, July 26, 2021, at 5:30 p.m., on the residential structure located at 119 Scott Lane, Houma, LA, owned by James & Sandra Shanklin."

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. C. Harding.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, J. Domangue, D. W. Guidry, Sr., and D. Babin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: J. Navy

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

(The presentation given by Nuisance Abatement, which contains the background and history of each property, photographs of the subject structures, and Administration's recommendations, have been made a part of the official record of these proceedings, a hard copy of which is to be maintained in the office of the Planning Department.)

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. G. Michel, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting be adjourned."

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, J. Domangue, D. W. Guidry, Sr., and D. Babin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: J. Navy

The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

MARGEUX LECOMPTE
MINUTE CLERK

/S/ DARRIN W. GUIDRY, SR., CHAIRMAN
TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL

ATTEST:

/S/ SUZETTE THOMAS, COUNCIL CLERK
TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL