

MINUTES
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
August 7, 2017

The Economic Development Committee & Public Safety Committee held a joing meeting on August 7th at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Present: Chairman Dan Colwell, Mayor White, Aldermen Connor, Hughes, and Sharpe, City Clerk Margaret Hurd, Economic Development Director Parker, Office Manager Passage, Police Chief Mettille and Fire Chief Denzer and City attorney Mike Seghetti

Absent: Alderman Jenkins

Meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m. The only agenda item was the Bacon Building. Mayor White asked the attorney to explain what process the city went through when they acquired the 3rd Street property. Attorney Seghetti went through those steps. In addition to that he stated what expenses the city incurred which were: approximately \$2,000 in legal fees, \$11,000 in liens, \$200 in supplies, and office manager Passage added \$770.76 in water bills, and approximately \$400 – 500 in labor and not sure of the total on engineering fees for the report.

Attorney Seghetti said that the City would need to give everyone proper notice twice, if they don't respond then the City could go after the property as abandoned property. File the necessary paperwork and get possession of the building.

Discussion took place on how bad of shape the property is in and how much garbage and debris is in the building. Both the Fire Chief and the Police Chief have been in the building and know its current state.

Mayor White stated that he would recommend, if we take possession of property, we get roof fixed then have the place cleaned out (contracted – not cleaned out by city workers) then the property may be more marketable.

Census was to instruct the attorney to prepare the documents for abandoned property for the Bacon Building.

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Chairman Colwell

