

MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMAN OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2022, 5:30 P.M., AT CITY HALL 120 S. IRMA BLVD, GONZALES, LA 70737.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Barney Arceneaux, Mayor
Councilman John A. Berthelot
Councilman Tim Riley

Councilman Kirk Boudreaux
Councilman Harold Stewart
Councilman Tyler Turner

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

Brandon Boylan, Acting City Clerk
Matt Percy, City Attorney

Kenneth Stell, Police Captain
Terri Delatorre, Administrative Secretary

Mayor Barney Arceneaux opened a Public Hearing to discuss the following changes to the City of Gonzales Code of Ordinances:

Ordinance No. 4192: An Ordinance amending the Boundaries of the "Northeast Gonzales Economic Development District".

No one spoke in favor or against this Ordinance.

Mayor Barney Arceneaux opened a Public Hearing to discuss condemnation of the following structures:

432 W. Terrace Street, owned by Brenda Spencer:

Joyce Rideaux, who lives at 2370 Aubin Lane in Baton Rouge, LA, along with Brenda Spencer, owner of the structure located at 432 W. Terrace Street, appeared before the City Council to advise that Ms. Spencer had obtained an estimate that day (September 12, 2022) from Cypress Roofing to repair the structure. Ms. Spencer advised that she was most likely going to hire Cypress Roofing to do the repairs but wanted to seek out competitive quotes, so she requested additional time in which to do so.

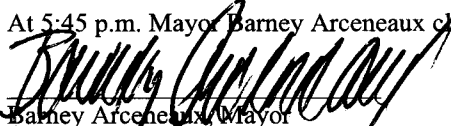
The Council agreed to give Ms. Spencer ninety (90) days in which to have the structure repaired.

427 E. Ascension Street, owned by Shedrick Thompson, Jr.:

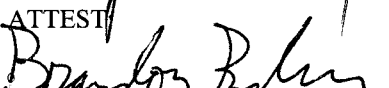
Doris Green, who lives at 12017 Hwy. 73 in Geismar, LA, is the sister of Shedrick Thompson, Jr., owner of the structure located at 427 E. Ascension Street, appeared before the City Council to advise that her brother, Shedrick Thompson, Jr., is deceased and a succession has not been opened. Ms. Green stated she has been trying to contact all of the family members to discuss whether to repair or demolish the home, but she has had difficulties getting in touch with some of the family members. She stated that every window in the house has been broken and vagrants are sleeping in it and that there is also evidence of drug and alcohol use in the house. Ms. Green requested additional time in which to contact all the family members and decide whether to repair or demolish the home.

The Council agreed to give Ms. Green thirty (30) days in which to have the house secured to keep the vagrants out and to speak with her family members to decide whether to repair or demolish the house.

At 5:45 p.m. Mayor Barney Arceneaux closed the Public Hearing.


Barney Arceneaux, Mayor

ATTEST


Brandon Boylan, Acting City Clerk