

OTTUMWA BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

MEETING NO. 4
Bridge View Center, 102 Church St.

August 20, 2024
5:30 O'clock P.M.

The meeting convened at 5:30 P.M.

Present were Council Member Caviness, Galloway, McAntire, Bossou, Hoffman and Mayor Johnson.

Approval of Minutes 1. Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman to approve mins. from Mtg. No. 3 on Aug. 6, 2024 as presented. All ayes.

1309 Castle 2. This was the time, place and date set to consider condemnation of the structures located at 1309 Castle in the City of Ottumwa, Wapello County, IA. Comm. Dev. Dir. Simonson reported structure was placarded June 1, 2023 due to structural conditions, no utilities and sewage issues. Since being placarded, the location was added to the reoccurring mowing list by city contractors. No attempt to repair or repair plan. Caviness moved, seconded by Galloway to close public hearing. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman to condemn structures located at 1309 Castle, order prompt demolition, removal and leveling of the lot and direct all costs attendant to such actions, including admin. costs be assessed against the property and/or collected from the owner or owners thereof. All ayes.

103 S. Adams 3. This was the time, place and date set to consider condemnation of the structures located at 103 South Adams in the City of Ottumwa, Wapello County, IA. Simonson reported structure was placarded March 28, 2023 due to structural issues and lack of utilities. Since being placarded, the location was added to reoccurring mowing list by city contractors. No attempt to repair or repair plan. Caviness moved, seconded by Galloway to close public hearing. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by McAntire to condemn structures located at 103 S. Adams, order prompt demolition, removal and leveling of the lot and direct all costs attendant to such actions, including admin. costs be assessed against the property and/or collected from the owner or owners thereof. All ayes.

225 Paris 4. This was the time, place and date set to consider condemnation of the structures located at 225 Paris Street in the City of Ottumwa, Wapello County, IA. Simonson reported structure was placarded Feb. 27, 2024 due to structural conditions and being open to the elements. Complaints of squatters from the neighbors. No attempt to repair or repair plan. Caviness moved, seconded by Bossou to close public hearing. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Galloway to condemn structures located at 225 Paris, order prompt demolition, removal and leveling of the lot and direct all costs

attendant to such actions, including admin. costs be assessed against the property and/or collected from the owner or owners thereof. All ayes.

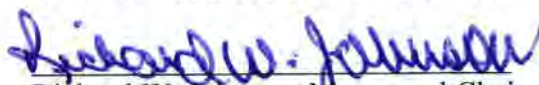
- 714 N. Cooper 5. This was the time, place and date set to consider condemnation of the structures located at 714 North Cooper in the City of Ottumwa, Wapello County, IA. Simonson reported structure was placarded June 7, 2023 due to structural issues, lack of utilities, interior damage (including electrical and plumbing) and being open to the elements. Person hired to help with repairs began squatting at property and the property became a burden to law enforcement. City contractors have performed several clean ups at property and no current repair plan or permission on file. Notice was received from the owner to contest action to condemn and demolish structure by his timely filed appeal. Lonnie Lunsford, Team Real Estate, was in attendance to represent the seller of the property; there was an interested buyer but they have decided against purchasing the property so there is no buyer at this time. There is no reason to believe that the owner has an adequate plan of rehabilitation of this property. Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman to close public hearing. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by McAntire to condemn structures located at 714 N. Cooper, order prompt demolition, removal and leveling of the lot and direct all costs attendant to such actions, including admin. costs be assessed against the property and/or collected from the owner or owners thereof. All ayes.


- Adjourn 6. There being no further business, Caviness moved, seconded by Bossou that the mtg. adjourn. All ayes.

Adjournment was at 5:46 P.M.

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Richard W. Johnson, Mayor and Chairman

ATTEST:


Christina Reinhard, CMC, City Clerk