

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
VILLAGE OF GREENFIELD – March 23, 2023

Chairman Clyburn called the March 23, 2023 meeting to order at 4:45p.m.

ROLL CALL: The following members answered to roll call: Mary Ellen McMurry, Cory Taylor, Phil Clyburn, Jessalyn Hunter and Brenda Losey.

PURPOSE OF THE CALLED SPECIAL MEETING: To discuss the demolition of the Elliott Hotel and neighboring building.

City Manager Wilkin presented a few pictures of the Elliott Hotel demolition site as well as the neighboring building on the overhead projector for Council to view. City Manager Wilkin stated now we have the Elliott out of the way it has exposed an issue with the neighboring building (137 S. Washington St.). City Manager Wilkin noted that Mr. Doug Karnes and Mr. Pat Hays were present for this evenings meeting because they have been negotiating on the neighboring building. Mr. Karnes currently owns the building/property next to the former Elliott Hotel with a portion of the building also belonging to Mr. Hays. City Manager Wilkin went on to inform Council that structural shoring was installed on this neighboring building before the Elliott Hotel was demolished. Now, the contractor of the Elliott Hotel demo. is concerned that if the structural shoring of the neighboring building is removed it will collapse. The wall is bowing out and water damage has also occurred over time on the neighboring building. We do have a condemnation letter dated February 3, 2023 addressed to Mr. Karnes stating that he had 15 days to remedy the situation. We are currently working on getting an estimate to rent the shoring from the contractor. Mr. Hays also owns the building next to Mr. Karnes' building (133 S. Washington St.). Discussion was held.

City Manager Wilkin asked what Council would like to see occur to Mr. Karnes' building as there will be a cost associated with saving the building. Chairman Clyburn noted that we have an Economic Plan in place in an effort to save buildings like these, especially in our downtown. Mrs. Losey stated that if the Village were to save the building; the Village or CIC should therefore own the building. Discussion was held.

Chairman Clyburn asked Mr. Karnes if he would be willing to quick claim the deed to his building over to the Village and in turn the Village would be willing to put money into it. Mr. Karnes stated that he would be willing do quick claim the

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deed over to the Village. Mr. Hays asked what the Village's plan is for the building. Chairman Clyburn noted that Council is unsure at this time. Village Solicitor Bivens noted that the CIC could potentially sell the building/property.

5:21 p.m. Mrs. Losey left the meeting.

City Manager Wilkin noted that we may look into this building as part of our Vibrant Community as this could be very transformational. A brief discussion was held.

5:32 p.m. Mr. Taylor left the meeting to take a phone call.

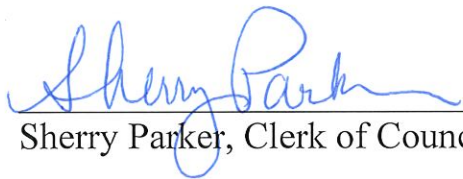
5:34 p.m. Mr. Taylor returned to the meeting.

City Manager Wilkin noted the contractors were able to retrieve five skids of bricks that we were able to save from the Elliott Hotel during the demolition. We were also able to keep some of the stone to use for other upcoming projects. City Manager Wilkin will work on getting cost estimates for the building, then Council can decide whether or not it will be cost effective to save the neighboring building. Discussion was held.

ADJOURNMENT: Mrs. McMurry moved to adjourn. Mrs. Hunter seconded. Vote – yea 4, nay 0. Meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by Council this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2023.



Sherry Parker, Clerk of Council

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Phil Clyburn, Chairman