

CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 9, 2016

Jesup City Council met in special session on Thursday, June 9, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the Jesup City Hall Council Chambers, 791 6th Street, Jesup, Iowa. Mayor Larry Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Russ Solomon, Dawn Vogel, Richard Mott, and Melissa Trumbauer

Absent: Jill Chemin

Motion by Trumbauer, seconded by Vogel to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4:0.

Mayor Thompson turned the meeting over to City attorney David Hosack. Hosack addressed the council in regards to the property located at 1235 10th Street. The city needs to determine the safety of the building. A letter was sent to David Youngblut, L & D construction on March 31, 2016 stating the building was unsafe after there was a fire at the building. Chapter 145 of the Jesup code states that if a building is deemed unsafe, a property owner can be given 90 days to commence work on the unsafe parts or demolish the building. Hosack further stated the building is non-conforming in a residential area on its own parcel of land. A restrictive covenant was passed by the council on July 10, 2007 to put a single family dwelling on the parcel within 5 years. This has not been done. Since we are passed July 10, 2012, L & D Construction has 3 options now, 1) demolish the building, 2) replace the roof and replace drywall inside to ensure no structural problems with no water damage and reconstruct as conforming use, or 3) obtain an engineer stamped permit to repair the trusses as a conforming use. John Powers, building inspector, met with Youngblut on January 27, 2016 to inspect the building after the fire. Powers gave Youngblut the same options to conform this property to the zoning ordinance. Youngblut requested permission to repair the roof truss and a variance from the energy code. Powers stated he could not grant a variance from the energy code. There was additional discussion between Youngblut and the city council regarding replacing the roof trusses and constructing a 12x14 addition to the building. Youngblut stated he would get engineered blueprints.

Motion by Trumbauer, seconded by Vogel, to approve option 3, remove the roof structure and remove drywall to ensure all fire and water damage is removed, ensure structure is sound, and provide approved building plan that meets current building code requirements for a single family dwelling in order to convert the garage into a house, add an addition off the side of the building or the back side, approved by John Powers, and everything done and completed within 90 days from today, to include the construction. Motion carried 4:0.

Motion by Trumbauer seconded by Solomon, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 4:0. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Larry Thompson
Mayor

Attest:

Chris Even
Public Works Director