

**Village of Rossville
Special Board Meeting
October 3, 2019
6:00 p.m.**

Mayor Queen called the special board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Rossville Municipal Building, located at 120 East Attica Street in Rossville, Illinois. The special board meeting was called to discuss accepting the property located at 106 E. Attica Street and possible plans for the property if approved and update on 209 Stewart Street-Dangerous Building Property.

Members physically present – Mayor Queen, Trustees Cornell, Buck, Mahorney, Richison, Maden, Leaver

Members absent – None

Guests present – Clerk White, Superintendent Randy Lusk, Bobbette Gammon and Lucas Sturm

Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

Permission was requested by Mayor Queen to accept the deed to 106 E. Attica from the current owner, Wendy Burt. Mrs. Burt is meeting with her current tenants, Mike & Donna Delvin, to discuss the option of deeding the property to Ms. Delvin if terms can be met. The building has been declared a dangerous building. Superintendent Lusk met with the contractor, who gave a plan to repair the building. Superintendent Lusk, who is also the Building Inspector, explained to the Delvin's what had to be repaired. Mr. Lusk granted permission to the Delvin's to clean only the debris from the collapsed roof, which will allow Mr. Lusk to inspect the building. Superintendent Lusk discussed with the Delvin's and their contractor to tear off all of the roof and fix it properly. The Delvin's were to email a funds commitment form to show how much they could spend on the repairs at this time. The Funds Commitment form was never produced. Mr. Lusk stated the masonry on the north and south walls are loose. Mr. Sturm, who owns 104 E. Attica, stated the chimney is leaning. Mr. Lusk stated the money for the repairs can be placed in an escrow account for the contractor to be paid. Mr. Lusk explained the Delvin's cannot move back into the building until the repairs are complete. Mayor Queen will speak with the Village attorney to do title work to make sure there are no other owners or lienholders on the property. The contractor must provide a bond and/or insurance.

Someone asked if a condemned building can be sold or deeded over to someone. The attorney will be asked. Motion was made by Richison, seconded by Mahorney to accept the deed to 106 E. Attica if the Village can accept a deed for a condemned building. Vote: Mahorney, yes; Richison, yes; Buck, yes; Leaver, yes; Maden, yes; Cornell, yes.

209 Stewart – Superintendent Lusk stated the owners of 209 Stewart have had years to clean up the property. Superintendent Lusk has met with the owner of the property and they agreed to clean up the yard, tear down 2 out buildings, remove trees out of the fence rows and cannot enter the premises until the required tasks are complete. The owner may appeal the process. The Village attorney will be asked to prepare a contract with the owner, with a timeline, to get repairs completed.

Motion was made by Mahorney, seconded by Leaver to adjourn the meeting. Vote: Mahorney, yes; Richison, yes; Buck, yes; Leaver, yes; Maden, yes; Cornell, yes. The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris White
Village Clerk

Board approved 11/18/2019