

**Public Hearing  
City of Waveland  
Blighted Properties Public Hearing/RFQ Evaluation of Waveland Ave Sidewalk Project  
December 7, 2015**

Mayor Smith called the Blighted Property Public Hearing to order.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Smith noted for the record the presence of Aldermen, Richardson, Lafontaine and Piazza, along with City Clerk Lisa Planchard and City Attorney Rachel P. Yarborough.

Absent from the meeting was Alderman Jeremy Burke until he arrived late in discussion of 148 Sarah's Lane property below.

Ms. Cullen handed each Board member a packet for this evening's public hearing.

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING (EXHIBIT A)**

**Mrs. Bernie Cullen with Blighted Properties Department presented the following:  
Re: 704 Sixth Street, Jason Pfiffner**

Mrs. Cullen recognized Mr. Pfiffner in the audience regarding his Sixth Street Property. She said she was pleasantly surprised that the violations have been taken care of as of this week. Mr. Pfiffner thanked the Board, specifically Alderman Lafontaine for his assistance with this matter. Ms. Cullen said he is no longer in violation, but she will leave this case open pending 6 month review, and if the property remains cleaned she will close the file at that time; otherwise she will return to the Board.

**Re: 148 Sarah's Lane – Open Pool on Vacant Property**

Mrs. Cullen said that the owner, Mr. Carson signed the receipt for his Registered letter and mentioned that he has retained an Attorney this past Thursday. She said Mr. Carson has had the pool pumped out. He had his land next to the pool leveled and got rid of all the concrete that had been illegally dumped there. His Attorney, Ms. Becky Ferrell has contacted Ms. Bernie Cullen and Mrs. Yarborough requesting a continuance from the Board due to her being retained at the last moment prior to this public hearing. Mrs. Cullen said we are 10 years post Katrina and when Mr. Carrigee gets back in town she will arrange a meeting between Mr. Carrigee, Ms. Ferrell and herself to discuss the problem and come to a resolution. Mrs. Yarborough said she had spoken with Mrs. Farrell, and due to a previous commitment she could not be present tonight. She said Ms. Farrell had asked to be present to listen, hear testimony and have the opportunity to rebut; she therefore asked for the continuance. Mrs. Yarborough said that as a professional courtesy, it is somewhat common to guarantee procedural due process that a person has a right to representation at these public hearings; she added that a request for a continuance is usually reasonable and granted. Ms. Yarborough said that in conversations with her outside of the due process continuance issue, Ms. Ferrell seems very open and in agreement that it should be considered a nuisance, not only statutorily from the City's point of view, but also just a personal liability for the property owner. Ms. Cullen told Board members that Mr. Carson was not present tonight and that he currently has the property for sale. Mrs. Cullen said Ms. Farrell asked about the possibility of placing an industrial strength cover over the pool since the property is now for sale; Mrs. Cullen added that the pool is currently pumped out, but every time it rains it's going to start getting stagnant; it's hard to maintain it; she said either he will have to cover it (if allowed by Mr. Carrigee) or fill it in. Mrs. Cullen said that she would discuss the process with the neighbors of the property owners at meeting scheduled for the tomorrow (December 8, 2015). Ms. Rhonda Lohmeyer (Houston, Texas), is the property owner across the street from the property in question. Ms. Lohmeyer asked several questions about the laws that affect this issue. Mrs. Cullen said the law/ Ordinance says that the pool needs to be maintained properly and there needs to be a secure fence around it. Mrs. Yarborough provided clarification noting the reason for this hearing and explaining the Board's purpose of the public hearing; whether to determine the property as a nuisance and what corrective action to take; this is a civil action (to clean it up), but it could be pursued in criminal court (to make sure the property owner is held accountable criminally). Mrs. Cullen said that most owners do comply with the public hearing notice and avoid criminal Court. Mrs. Yarborough recognized that Mr. Bill Carrigee, Building Inspector and Ms. Cullen, Blighted Property Clerk are determined to be the experts. She said Mr. Carrigee determines the best plan of action to remedy this nuisance; if it's his opinion that the only way to

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rectify this issue is to fill in the pool, then that would be evidence presented to the Board. Mrs. Yarborough reminded the audience that the Board would allow interested parties to be notified and would accept the neighbor's information or evidence at the continued hearing. **(Alderman Burke arrived at this time)** Mr. Oscar Waldrup, neighbor at 113 Mollere Drive, asked if the City would grant the property owner permission to have electricity and water to keep the pool in good working condition if there is no structure on the property. Mrs. Yarborough said this has been a request of Mr. Carson in the past, but Mr. Carrigee denied this because by building codes and the City's zoning ordinance, you're not allowed to have an accessory structure without a main structure on the property; so you can't just have a lot with a pool on it. Mrs. Yarborough said this issue would be continued to December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

Alderman Piazza moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to continue the property issue of 148 Sarah's Lane to the 16<sup>th</sup> of December, 2015 at 6:30 pm; i.e. the next regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Nay: None

Voting Yea: Richardson, Lafontaine and Piazza

Abstain: Burke

Absent: None

**Re: 111 Mollere Drive, Gentilly Boys (Roy Responti): Open Pool**

Mrs. Cullen said this is a property with a pool and no dwelling, however the lot is maintained. She said this pool is just stagnant water, a breeding ground for mosquitoes; the neighbors have been very patient with this issue. Mrs. Cullen said this is a public health issue and that the most recent letter (telling the property owners they had to put up a secure fence) had been sent, but had not been signed for and was returned. Mrs. Cullen sent letters to a corporation called 'Gentilly Boys', owner Roy Responti and Joe Responti, his brother; the Corporation/LLC was found to be dissolved when checked by Ms. Yarborough. City Attorney Yarborough further recommended that if a corporation is involved, the Secretary of State's website should be checked to make sure we are noticing the correct owner of record. Mrs. Cullen said she has sent correspondence to several addresses, including the property in question, but in the past was always been told "I'm going to build", but he never has; she said that's been since March 2009. Several neighbors from Mollere Drive were present and said that it's been 11 years, it needs to be resolved. Ms. Yarborough said in her opinion, Notice would be effective based upon the addresses that Ms. Cullen has mailed notices to. Alderman Lafontaine asked about Mr. Carrigee's recommendation on this issue. Mrs. Cullen said that Mr. Carrigee said to fill the pool in with sand or submit building plans for same within 30 days and get a building permit. If that were done, the City would allow the licensed electrician to get a T-pole permit for the job; at that time the pool would be emptied and brought into compliance with the 2012 International Pool Codes. Mrs. Yarborough said the Board also has the discretion to impose a penalty not to exceed the amount of \$1,500 or 50% of the actual costs, whichever is greater. She said the penalty can be assessed at a later date.

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to declare the property a menace to the public safety, health and well-being of the citizens of Waveland and recommend that the pool be filled in by the City of Waveland staff and the costs be assessed to the property owner's taxes or by invoice.

During discussion, Ms. Cullen confirmed with City Attorney Yarborough that she shall send a follow-up letter to Mr. Responti letting him know the Board's action and that the pool will be filled in. Ms. Yarborough said he has 10 days to file a Bill of Exceptions; i.e. appeal to Circuit Court so the City should not take action until the 10 days is up.

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Voting Nay: None

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine and Piazza

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**Re: 518 Turner Street, Ken Huffaker**

Ms. Cullen said there is a house on the property, multiple vehicles, multiple boats, RV's, trash and debris about the yard; it's not as overgrown, she thinks they've done some work with that. She said she's had numerous neighbor's complaints about this property; the courtesy, registered and final hearing letter has been sent and the receipt was signed. Mr. Ron Huffaker came forward to discuss his property's condition. He stated that he only received one letter and it was sent to a former Ohio address. Ms. Yarborough said it should have been sent to the ad valorem tax address of the owner and the subject property; that's required by law. She asked where do you get your tax notices. He said, "Here at 518". Mr. Huffaker said he got a business card on his back door letting him know he was in violation. Ms. Cullen said, "It's not my card". He said he called and never got a reply, but did finally speak to someone who told him he was in violation... because "I'm doing some rehab work on the house, had the contractor take the stuff, he was supposed to put it on the trailer so it could go to the dump. He (the contractor) threw it out on the ground." Mrs. Yarborough asked who the contractor was. Mr. Huffaker said "Rico's, it's one of your local guys around here who buys a lot of properties; Bill Beechwood is the one I talked to; the one I hired". Mr. Huffaker said they cleaned it up and put it on the trailer; that was the notice that he got saying couldn't have construction debris because it could be flying projectiles in a storm. Ms. Yarborough asked when that notice was received. Huffaker said back in somewhere around July or August. He said he works out of town a lot and indicated that "people from the City" take pictures of his children; he added that he has not had time to get to the dump. He said that's the only notice he received until he got served with an official, "We're coming to your property to take your stuff, you're in this horrible... menacing, my property is menacing. My property; I asked all my neighbors, is my property ever threatened any of you people? Nope, sure hadn't, that's what menacing stands for." Mrs. Yarborough asked when the Notice for the hearing tonight was served to Mr. Huffaker. Mr. Huffaker said that when she sent it to me in the mail, a registered letter." Mrs. Yarborough said, "And that was to 518 (Turner)". Mr. Huffaker said, "Yes". Mrs. Yarborough said "So you received notice of tonight's hearing?" Mr. Huffaker said, "Yes and not only did they do that, they laminated and made a sign and put it in my front yard." Ms. Yarborough said, "And that's what's required by law." He said, "All my vehicles are licensed, Ok? There's numerous people, I don't know there's probably people on this Board that own boats. You know. Unfortunately with me working as much I don't get, probably like a lot of you guys you love to go fishing, but if you work a lot, you don't have time; I go when I can." Huffaker said, "You know the sign on the City where it says Hospitality must not be real true; you know I moved down here, I have a motor home so is it against the law to own a motor home. Is it against the law to own vehicles? I got four drivers in my house, so what am I supposed to do... not have cars." Mrs. Yarborough asked if all of the vehicles in the yard are licensed and road ready. Mr. Huffaker said, "Yep". Mrs. Yarborough asked, "And they're drivable?" Huffaker said, "Yep, every one of them". Ms. Yarborough asked Mr. Huffaker to list those vehicle in his household. Mr. Huffaker asked, "Would I list them. For what purpose." Mrs. Yarborough said because we're making a record. Mr. Huffaker said, "I told ya I have four licensed drivers." Mrs. Yarborough asked if Mr. Huffaker has four vehicles. He said, "No, I have more than that." Mrs. Yarborough said, "If you would just list the vehicles that are licensed and road ready on your property." Huffaker said, "You have pictures of em." Ms. Yarborough said, "Are you refusing to the answer the question." Mr. Huffaker said, "My attorney advised me, yes." Mrs. Yarborough asked if Mr. Huffaker had an attorney. He said, "I do." Ms. Yarborough asked, "Would like them to be present for this hearing." Huffaker said, "Sure, I can... you know". Ms. Yarborough said, "And who's your attorney"? Mr. Huffaker said, "David Fine for now; I may get another one I'm not sure yet". Mrs. Yarborough said, "He's not entered an appearance". Mrs. Yarborough then reviewed Mr. Huffaker's testimony saying you had a laminated sign in your yard, that you received notice of tonight's hearing. Mr. Huffaker

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said the letter only stated the property was a menace, it didn't say "the normal procedures of things, you know, I understand about Zoning stuff, you just can't say hey, you're in violation so just show up at his hearing and then we'll explain to you what you're in violation". He said he called his Alderman, who could not tell him what he was in violation of. Ms. Yarborough asked Huffaker if he had ever contacted Ms. Bernie Cullen. Mr. Huffaker said, "Yes, I did; I tried for two weeks. I got some lady and told him what the violation was; it was construction debris that was on the ground." Mrs. Cullen said there was a letter on August 18 that was sent and it said the issues remain the large piles of loose debris, the old RV, the trailers, the boats, the vehicles remaining on the property... please see enclosed pictures. There is a signed receipt. She said this one was sent to Plum Street and Ohio and signed by (looks like) Shar Huffaker; do you have someone named that. Huffaker said no. Ms. Cullen said, "Well you have someone at your house signing all of your stuff, maybe that's why you're not getting it. Now this was the same thing, same person, the one (letter) on November 10 we do what we always do, which we send it to the Turner Street where they live and we send it to the address of record on Hancock County Geoportal. All of these have signed receipts, how am I to know that ... sure looks like Huffaker on these letters." Mrs. Yarborough asked Mrs. Cullen about the August correspondence which stated the owner is not in compliance with the Ordinance due to large piles of loose debris, multiple boats, and multiple vehicles. Mrs. Cullen said there are trailers, RV's, cars and the neighbors have complained about the property. Mrs. Yarborough asked if this had been pursued in criminal court. Mrs. Cullen said that it had not. Mrs. Yarborough asked if this had been the first time she heard from Mr. Ken Huffaker. Mrs. Cullen said yes, she had received no messages that he had called. Alderman Richardson asked if Mr. Huffaker knew anyone named Shar Huffaker. Mr. Huffaker said no. Ms. Planchard said, "Sharma". He said Sharma is his wife; he's lived here two years. Mrs. Yarborough said, "Either way, notice is sufficient tonight because 1) they have appeared and 2) they've stated on the record that they have received for the registered letter and the sign in the yard". Mrs. Huffaker expressed that they were not informed of the violations. Mrs. Yarborough said tonight would be the night to offer proof of that (cleaning up what they've been asked to clean up), which she asked them to make the record what vehicles you have in the yard, proof of insurance and licensing. Mr. Huffaker said he would have appeared with all that information, if the letter would have said more than his property was a menace. Mrs. Yarborough asked if Mr. Huffaker had retained (Attorney) David Fine. Mr. Huffaker said, "Yes, he's our Corporate Lawyer for the Company that I work for." Mrs. Yarborough asked if there was a reason Mr. Fine is not present tonight. Mr. Huffaker said he didn't think he needed a lawyer to be here tonight for a public hearing to try and find out what the so-called violations were. Mrs. Yarborough asked if the Board were to give Mr. Huffaker time to rectify the violations of the Ordinance, would he comply. Mr. Huffaker said he needs to know what the Board wants him to do. Mr. Yarborough said, your property as it is now without any proof of these vehicles being licensed and road ready is considered a junk-yard under our Ordinance so you would need to 1) submit proof that your vehicles are road ready, insured, and licensed. Huffaker said, "Ok". She said, "You would have to remove all the loose debris." Mr. Huffaker asked what was considered loose debris. Mrs. Cullen said the wood on the trailer. Mr. Huffaker said he was told he could take stuff to the dump, but didn't know where the dump was; I'd like to know that. Mrs. Yarborough said, "And I'm sure that Mrs. Cullen or any other City personnel would be happy to tell you how to do that and where it's located. But that's the purpose of this hearing is 1) to determine what evidence there is that your property is not in compliance or is in compliance, and then how to rectify it, but if you're not willing to communicate then that's hard to do." Mr. Huffaker eluded that the City did not communicate with him and discussed the letter. Mrs. Yarborough reminded Mr. Huffaker, "We are now in a conversation, am I correct." Mr. Huffaker said, "Now we are, we weren't before. I got a letter stating you need to show up on December 7." Mrs. Yarborough said, "Well that is clear because you are here. You understood that." Mr. Huffaker said that he shows up, he doesn't back down. He said, "I'm a communicator." Ms. Yarborough said, "Well, I asked you earlier if you would list the vehicles in your yard and whether they are licensed, road ready and insured and submit any proof and you said you weren't going to answer." He said that what he said was you have pictures. Ms. Yarborough said, "Those pictures prove that you have derelict automobiles on your property." Huffaker said, "Really, which ones are derelict." Ms. Yarborough said, "This RV doesn't appear to be moving anytime soon." Huffaker said, "All I got to do is probably charge the battery." Ms. Yarborough said, "Well that is not the definition of road ready." Huffaker said, "Yes, it is." Ms. Yarborough said, "I disagree." She said so far we know that the RV is immovable, there's more than four vehicles on the property, and that you would like to

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know where the dump is located, is that correct. Mr. Huffaker said that is correct. He then said, "You're telling me that the City of Waveland determines from a picture if a vehicle is road worthy or not." Ms. Yarborough said, "No, that's why I asked you and you refused to tell me. Road worthy means that they're licensed and insured; do you have evidence of that." He said, "Yes." She then asked if he had that evidence with him. Huffaker said, "Yea, let me just pull it all out right here; I carry all my registrations for every vehicle. I carry it all right here in my pocket." Alderman Lafontaine said, "How many vehicles are we talking about." He said, "I've got my military truck???? Inaudible, I drove it at Cruisen the Coast ©, I got my motorhome, I got a Dodge Truck that I drive, I just as a matter of fact drove it yesterday to take stuff up to the storage because I'm still trying to do some work on the inside of the house, my wife has a van that we drive, I've got a convertible Sebring, I got a little Toyota Pick-up truck that I drive once in a while, I don't drive it a whole lot, I've got my Harley (Motorcycle) you know, so. I mean they're all licensed. I mean if, if you know, I'm just torn on what really the City wants, you know what I mean. Um, there's only I think two vehicles that are still licensed in Ohio, which is the military truck because it's an antique I bought in Ohio. I still own property in Ohio so I can be dual residency there." Ms. Cullen asked if Mr. Huffaker know who would be living in that house (in Ohio) because somebody is signing the postage cards. He said that house is sold, no one is living in that house. He said his wife likes to garden and it's like now I gotta get the City's permission to tell me what kind of landscape I can put in. Huffaker asked about the dump's hours. Alderman Piazza answered his question. Mrs. Yarborough reiterated that the City needs the proof of insurance and road readiness, including license, of the vehicles. Ms. Yarborough asked Mrs. Bernie Cullen if she had any other recommendations how the Huffaker's can exhibit to the City how they're in compliance. Mrs. Cullen said she is following the Ordinance and she received complaints from the neighbors, took pictures because that's the process; if he goes to the dump and gets rid of all the wood debris that will make it look better, but there are that many vehicles and drivers and if they're all licensed, insured and road ready and the Board is okay, then Mrs. Cullen said she is alright with their decision.

Alderman Piazza moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to continue the Blighted Property issue of 518 Turner until the Thursday January 14, 2016 Blighted Property Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. Yarborough said the Board also has the discretion to impose a penalty not to exceed the amount of \$1,500 or 50% of the actual costs whichever is more. She said the penalty can be assessed at a later date.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Nay: None

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine and Piazza

Absent: None

**BLIGHTED PROPERTY HEARING**

**Re: Set Blighted Property Public Hearing for January 14, 2016 at 6:30 pm**

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Piazza to set the Blighted Property Hearing for January 1, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Nay: None

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine and Piazza

Absent: None

**Re: 1002 Dicks Street, Kendall Laneaux**

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Mrs. Cullen said there was a lot of debris all over the yard; she had sent several letters. Mr. Laneaux is here, and since last week he's done an amazing job cleaning the yard. Ms. Cullen said as far as she is concerned this is complete but will review in 6 months; she asked Mr. Laneaux to maintain the yard now that it is cleaned up.

**Re: 6136 Tyler Street, Russell Tongley**

Mrs. Cullen said this is a white dilapidated abandoned house; all open. The Owner and has never responded to any letters. There was no one in the audience to represent Mr. Tongley. Mrs. Yarborough asked about Mr. Carrigee's position on this structure/property. Mrs. Cullen said she would have to get him to check on the property again; she recalled he said he had an issue with it, but was not able to find the Owner. Mrs. Yarborough asked if Mr. Carrigee had done an inspection on this property. Mrs. Yarborough said she foresees the recommendation may be to tear down this derelict property, but would prefer that the City have an either, testimony from Mr. Carrigee, or at least a written affidavit from Mr. Carrigee as to the status of the building. Mrs. Cullen read from Mr. Carrigee's Inspection Report from November 4, 2015, noting the building is in bad shape, grass needs cutting, and windows/doors boarded up building at the least. Mr. Carrigee said the grass needed to be cut in order to enter the property to evaluate the building. She said Mr. Carrigee also noted the building needed immediate repairs, but was not specific as to those repairs. Mrs. Yarborough asked if Mr. Carrigee could perhaps observe the building from the roadside and provide an inspection at least saying this building is a health/safety hazard. Mrs. Cullen said she didn't think Mr. Carrigee would go on the property until the grass is cut. Ms. Cullen said the grass is really high. Mrs. Yarborough said, "Mr. Carrigee would request a finding basically as to the state of the yard being a menace before he will enter the property to do an assessment as to the safety of the building. And that, for the Board's information, I would have no objection to that; I just am concerned that we don't have an interior up close inspection of the building to make that determination that it's a health/safety issue." Mrs. Yarborough said she would like City personnel, so that we are sure we're up to date because we have noticed that GeoPortal lags behind; it's not necessarily the most current information. She said the statute requires that we send notice to the address where the property owner receives their ad valorem taxes; if we could, on every notice, confirm with the Tax Office, that that is the address that they use and get that in writing, because she's not real comfortable using GeoPortal as the only means to determine the ad valorem tax address. Ms. Cullen said she will do this.

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson makes a finding as to the state of the yard, that it is a menace to the health and well-being of the citizens, and authorize Mr. Bill Carrigee to enter the property to assess and evaluate damage to the building; the Board specifically grants authority for right of entry to evaluate the property.

During discussion, Alderman Lafontaine said, "So we're just going to do the yard first and then have Bill go in and look at the building and bring it back before the Board." Ms. Yarborough said, "That's correct." This issue will be added to the January 14, 2016 Blighted Property Public Hearing at 6:30 pm.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Nay: None

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine and Piazza

Absent: None

**Re: 6035 Polk Street, Anthony Sides**

Mrs. Cullen said over time it is clear to see the home is in disrepair, with debris, a boat and overgrown grass. Mrs. Cullen said the neighbors suspect that someone is living there with no electricity and sewerage. Mr. Zachary Sides came forward and recognized the property as his home; Anthony Sides is his father. He said he has been trying to repair the property. Mrs. Cullen read from a letter sent to Mr. Sides by the Bay-Waveland Housing Authority letting him

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know that he is eligible for housing pending funds availability. Mrs. Yarborough asked if Mr. Sides had spoken with the Housing Authority since he got this letter. Mr. Sides said yes, that he can't get any assistance, he's tried for years. He said he qualifies, but the property does not qualify. Mrs. Yarborough said she thinks that that letter is stating that 6035 Polk Street will not necessarily be fixed up, but that they would place him in some form of Section 8 housing. She asked Mr. Sides if he had a case worker and let him know that it was not the City's intention to put Mr. Sides on the Street. Mr. Michael Sides, brother of Zachary Sides, said Zachary is currently living with him. Mrs. Yarborough confirmed that the property does not have power or water. Michael said his brother can't get power because of the condition of the structure and feels the various companies and rules are prohibiting his brother. Mrs. Yarborough said the foundation of the issue is the home is not suitable for occupancy and you would need a building permit to come up to code. Michael Sides said Zachary, who works at WIC, cut his grass this week and pulled down the eaves and planned to paint the home. Zachary said he did have power since Hurricane Katrina, but he said he lost his job and couldn't pay his electric bills. He said with that the electricity was cut off and is now having issues with getting the electricity turned back on because of inspection problems. Alderman Richardson said, "Yes, once you lose your service for a certain amount of time you have to get the property inspected to get it turned back on." Mr. Michael said his brother installed solar panels and used a generator (which has now been stolen) but can't get water. Mrs. Yarborough asked if Zachary had investigated the letter regarding Section 8 Housing. Michael Sides said yes, and is told his brother is on the waiting list, but that's all he's ever told. He said his brother wants to repair the home and live there. The Mayor asked Mrs. Cullen if Mr. Carrigee had inspected the dwelling. Mrs. Cullen read from Mr. Carrigee's list of recommendations and said the dwelling needed immediate repairs and the yard needed debris removed. Mayor Smith asked if this could be continued to give the opportunity for repair.

Ms. Yarborough suggested contacting churches, Habitat for Humanity, and others for assistance. Mr. Sides said he has, but can't get help. He said he could not even receive a cottage because the property is in a flood zone.

Alderman Piazza moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to grant a continuance of the 6035 Polk Street Blighted Property issue to January 14, 2016 at 6:30 pm. until the Mayor can speak with Mr. Carrigee.

Mayor will speak with Bill Carrigee to see what needs to be done and work on some resources to assist Mr. Sides.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Nay: None

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine and Piazza

Absent: None

**Re: 609 Waveland Avenue, Lenora Bilbo (Lenora Kelly)**

Mrs. Cullen said there is a shed on the lot which is secure, but the lot was over grown. Mrs. Cullen said she has spoken with Ms. Kelly on several occasions and as of today, the property has been bush hogged and taken care of. The property is fine and will be reviewed in 6 months; if still clean then, the case will be closed.

**Re: Parcel 162F-1-04-052.00, Edna Street, Lenora Bilbo (Kelly)**

Mrs. (Lenora M.) Kelly said she has had the property, which had been left to her through the death of a relative. She said she owns 1/4 of the property and does not want the property, however another part owner, Adele Crudden (1/2 owner) keeps paying the property taxes because she does not want to sell it, nor does Ms. Crudden want it to go up for tax sale. She said she and her brother (James Kelly) each only own a quarter of the land. She said the notices that have been sent were sent to their mother (Lenora C. Kelly) in Georgia, which are not correct. She said they, therefore, never received any of the notices related to this property.

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Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Piazza to continue Parcel 162-F-1-04-052.00 until the January 14, 2016 Blighted Property Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Nay: None

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine and Piazza

Absent: None

At this time, Mayor Smith closed the Blighted Property Public Hearing and opening the meeting for RFQ Evaluations for Engineering related to the MDOT/Waveland Avenue Sidewalk Project.

**MDOT RATING-EVALUATIONS/WAVELAND AVENUE SIDEWALK  
PROJECT/SIDEWALK PROJECT/MDOT/RFQ'S – ENGINEERING, SIDEWALK  
PROJECT**

City Attorney Rachel Yarborough said that for the record, this is the evaluation of the Engineering services for the Waveland Avenue Sidewalks Improvements Project, which we have each Alderman present and participating, including the Mayor, all who will serve as committee members. She said there are 4 submittals to be evaluated and the Evaluation score sheet was given to the City by MDOT; the intent tonight is to fill in the rates and then the values will be generated and ranked on each spreadsheet and placed on the next agenda. City Clerk Planchard told each member that they need not multiply anything out, just write down their grade/rating (based on the scale below) for each of the 5 categories, which agree with the advertisement (previously approved by MDOT), then sign the bottom of each of their evaluation forms. She told Board members she would go into the spreadsheet online the following day and input their grade and use the computer to calculate the ratings for each of them. She reaffirmed the City received four Engineering RFQ submittals, which they each have in front of them, along with the Evaluation form provided to the City by MDOT. Upon completion, each committee member handed the evaluation forms to the City Clerk.

**ADJOURN/BLIGHTED PROPERTIES PUBLIC HEARING/MDOT ENGINEERING  
RFQ RATING/WAVELAND AVENUE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS  
PROJECT/SIDEWALK PROJECT  
Re: Adjourn Public Hearing and RFQ Engineering Evaluations, Waveland Avenue  
Sidewalk Improvements Project at 8:32 p.m.**

Alderman Piazza moved, seconded by Alderman Burke to close the Blighted Properties Public Hearing and the RFQ Engineering Services Evaluations for the Waveland Avenue Sidewalk Improvements Project.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, Lafontaine and Piazza

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

The foregoing minutes of the Blighted Properties Public Hearing and the RFQ Engineering Services Evaluations for the Waveland Avenue Sidewalk Improvements MDOT Project, both of December 7, 2015 will be presented to Mayor Smith on January 8, 2016.

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Lisa Planchard  
City Clerk

**Public Hearing  
City of Waveland  
Blighted Properties Public Hearing/RFQ Evaluation of Waveland Ave Sidewalk Project  
December 7, 2015**

The Minutes of the Blighted Properties Public Hearing and the RFQ Engineering Services Evaluations for the Waveland Avenue Sidewalk Improvements MDOT Project of December 7, 2015 have been read and approved by me on this day the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 2016.

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Mike Smith  
Mayor

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