

Local and Industrial Improvements Committee  
Friday, May 23, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 by Chairmain Josh Scarberry. Trustee John and Trustee Sarah were present. Superintendent Jared Marshall was also present.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss IDNR removal home process and discuss what steps need to be taken to get it completed on time. Jared explained the homes were checked for asbestos on Wednesday. Once those reports come back, Josh will be able to apply for burn permits. Trustee Josh recommended using either the engineer or lawyer to write up bid specs for the property demolitions. Entire committee agreed going with the lawyer would be the best option to ensure everything is done correctly. Jared recommended contacting UCM to see if they can use the dirt from the bridge project for filling in after demolition to save money.

Discussion started on the 106 W. Randolph property. Josh isn't able to get ahold the property owner, only the property manager. We have agreed to have Scott write a letter to force them to make a decision to either take the buyout or take the demolishing into their own hands due to it being an unsafe structure.

305 Randolph house foundation is partially knocked so we discussed to look into ordinance violation due to safety hazard.

We looked into 305 Garfield St. house that has water and gas/electric. We found the new owner.

We circled back to the property buyout/demo process. Prioritizing how to tackle this as fast and possible due to being in a time crunch.

Jared voiced a couple concerns with the old village hall building regarding old sand bags. They talked about how to get the area by the shop cleaned up as well.

Josh wants to get a 3,5,10 year plan to take care of buildings around town and to make sure we can budget properly to get the town cleaned up.

John suggested talking to Jerry about all of the houses listed above.

There was no other business to discuss, therefore Trustee Josh adjourned the meeting and 7:25pm.

Submitted by:  
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Village Trustee