

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
CADDO PARISH COMMISSION'S
PROPERTY STANDARDS HEARING COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 20TH DAY OF APRIL, 2026

The Caddo Parish Public Safety Committee met in legal session on the above date at 1:00 p.m., in the Government Plaza Chambers, with the following members present constituting a quorum: Commissioners Epperson, Kracman, Thomas, G. Young, and J. Young (5). ABSENT: None (0).

Commissioner John-Paul Young gave the invocation, and Commissioner Epperson led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk of the Commission, Mr. Jeff Everson, reminded the committee members that each motion needs to include the Committee's recommendation to the full body, as well as the inclusion of all testimony and documentation into the permanent record. He administered the Oath.

NEW BUSINESS

- Case No. 1—4101 Ridgeway Ave, Shreveport, LA 71107

Mr. Tremaine Williams of Caddo Parish Public Works stated that the property has a dilapidated house structure that is open to the elements. The property also has high grass and vegetation, creating a possible health and safety hazard for the neighbors. The Parish requested that the property be condemned so that the necessary steps can be taken to demolish and clean up the property.

Commissioner Chris Kracman asked Commissioner Gregory Young if he had anything to add, as the property is in his district. Mr. G. Young answered that he did not have anything to add.

It was **moved by Mr. J. Young**, seconded by Mr. Epperson, *to accept all of the documentation as it relates to the property located at 4101 Ridgeway Avenue, Shreveport, LA, and to recommend to the full body to condemn and demolish the property.* Motion carried unanimously.

- Case No. 2—4229 Hampton Ln, Shreveport, LA 71107

Mr. Williams stated that the property has a dilapidated and burned house structure that is open to the elements. The property also contains an inoperable vehicle, trash, junk, and high vegetation, creating a possible health and safety hazard for the neighbors. The Parish requested that the property be condemned and demolished so that the necessary steps can be taken to clean up the property.

It was noted that no one was present to speak on behalf of the property.

It was **moved by Mr. J. Young**, seconded by Mr. G. Young, *to accept all of the documentation as it relates to the property located at 4229 Hampton Lane, Shreveport, LA, and to recommend to the full body to condemn and demolish the property.*

Assistant Parish Attorney Cytheria Jernigan asked whether there had been any response from a representative of the LLC associated with the property. Mr. Williams said there had been no response, and that he had called the LLC himself attempting to get a response. Mrs. Jernigan asked for clarification if they said they were going to call Mr. Williams. He said that the person he spoke with said they would get someone to call him, but he never received a call. Mr. Williams explained that he called again the morning before this meeting, but obtained no response. Mrs. Jernigan asked if the LLC is the only title owner to the property. Mr. Williams answered yes.

At this time, Mr. J. Young's motion carried unanimously.

- Case No. 3—8930 Lake End Road, Mooringsport, LA 71060

Mr. Williams stated that the property previously contained parts of a dilapidated old mobile home structure and building that were falling apart. The structures had been torn apart, with pieces laying around the property. The property also contained numerous inoperable vehicles, junk, and debris, creating a health and safety hazard for the neighbors. Mr. Williams explained that this property was brought before the Board on January 21, 2025, and the case was postponed for six months to allow time for the succession of the property owner to be addressed or for the existing violations to be corrected.

Mr. Williams stated that, as of April 17, the trailer structure had been fully demolished and was no longer present on the property. However, the property continued to contain numerous amounts of junk, trash, debris, and vehicles.

Mrs. Melody Fulgium, 20178 Jerusalem Grade, Lower Lake, California, stated that she was staying at 8930 Lake End Road while handling her parents' estate. She explained that the house and trailer had been completely removed from the property, including the frame, and that she and her son had been working diligently to clean up the property. She stated that many of the vehicles run and had been cleaned up, but that approximately six vehicles remained to be taken to the junkyard. She further explained that she was waiting for approval from the judge before removing those vehicles.

Mr. G. Young asked if Mrs. Fulgium is just waiting on judicial action. She answered yes. Mr. G. Young asked how long this has been ongoing. Mrs. Fulgium stated that the matter had begun while her father was still alive and continued after his passing. She said that she had also paid to remove several oak trees from the property and that the remaining wood was being cut and split for firewood. Mr. G. Young asked how much more time Mrs. Fulgium believes is reasonable for an extension. She explained that she is currently trying to sell the operable vehicles on the property, and that she hopes that will be resolved within 6 months.

Mr. J. Young asked Mrs. Jernigan whether the ongoing succession or probate matter prevented the Parish from taking action. Mrs. Jernigan stated that the ongoing family succession would not prohibit the body from authorizing the Property Standards Department to proceed, and that any costs would be billed against the estate through a lien on the property.

Mr. J. Young also asked whether the Parish could limit its action to the removal of inoperable vehicles while leaving operable vehicles for future sale. Mr. Williams stated that Public Works would have to verify which vehicles are operable and which are inoperable.

Mr. Epperson asked Mr. Williams if he had any documents in his possession in relation to the judicial actions the appellant had discussed. He also asked Mrs. Fulgium if she possessed any of these documents. She said she has them but they are not on her person.

Mr. Kracman expressed concern that the matter had been ongoing since 2023 and noted that the Committee had previously granted extensions. He stated that he understood the private property rights concerns, but also had to consider the neighboring property owners and the condition of the neighborhood.

Mr. G. Young asked how many vehicles are on the property. Mrs. Fulgium answered that there are 6 vehicles intended to go to a junkyard and 17 operable vehicles. She also explained that all of the trash has been removed from the property, with only firewood, vehicles, and boats remaining.

It was **moved by Mr. J. Young**, seconded by Mr. Kracman, *to accept all of the documentation as it relates to the property located at 8930 Lake End Road, Mooringsport, LA, and to recommend to the full body to remove all inoperable vehicles and remaining trash on the property, excluding the timber.*

Mr. G. Young asked Mrs. Jernigan what the law allows the Parish to do about the vehicles that are alleged to be operable but sit stationary on the property. Mrs. Jernigan answered that the jurisdiction

for enforcement of property standards is anything that violates the established code, and that it is part of the job of property standards enforcement to make those determinations at the time of the investigation of a given property. Mr. G. Young expressed concern about the possibility of the 17 operable vehicles staying stationary on the property 6 months in the future.

Mr. Williams said that there are 6 inoperable vehicles to be taken away, and it is possible that the 17 operable vehicles could still be on the property in the future.

Mr. J. Young said that he wants to trust that Mrs. Fulgum intends to sell the vehicles, but he also wants the Public Works department to verify that the 17 vehicles are operable and take away those found to be inoperable. He also said he would like Public Works to revisit in the future in case the vehicles are not successfully sold.

Mr. Kracman asked Mr. Williams if he had a definition for an inoperable vehicle. Mr. Williams said that they make sure vehicles do not have flat tires and possess working motors and transmissions. He also said they take video recordings of vehicles being started.

Mr. Epperson asked Mr. Williams if any Parish actions would incur a cost on the Parish, and how those costs would be paid. Mr. Williams said that they would incur costs, and that a lien would be placed on the property to cover the expenses.

Mr. Connor Graval, a resident of 8930 Lake End Road, stated that he and Mrs. Fulgum had been working daily to clear the property and were cooperating with Public Works. He stated that most of the remaining material consisted of wood piles and asked the Committee to continue working with them.

Mr. Kracman said that he understands the body's wish to be empathetic to the situation, and said that they have already been empathetic regarding this case in the past. He said he is willing to go with the motion on the floor, despite somewhat disagreeing.

Mr. J. Young asked Mr. Williams if there is any non-automobile debris on the property aside from the wood. Mr. Kracman also asked if the base of the trailer and its commode were still there. Mr. Williams confirmed that the primary non-automobile debris remaining on the property was the wood, and that the base of the trailer and commode had been removed as of the preceding Friday.

At this time, Mr. J. Young's motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.



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