

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

To: Mayor Graham and City Council
From: Ted Shekell, Planning Director Walter Denton, City Administrator
Date: January 15, 2014
Subject: Demolition of Abandoned Property – 114 Carbon Hill Road (RESOLUTION)

List of committees that have reviewed: The Community Development Committee at the June 10, 2013 meeting voted 6-0 to recommend approval of this Resolution and the City Council at the June 17, 2013 voted to approve the resolution for the following actions,

- Take ownership of the property
- Pay the outstanding overdue property taxes of \$4513.64
- Pay the 2012 property taxes when due
- Demolish the property and clean up the lot
- Put property up for sale as soon as abatement is completed to recover costs

Background:

The above listed property has fallen into disrepair over the last 3 years and has become a hazard. The owners have been deceased for several years and there has never been an estate opened after their death and there are no assets other than the property. The City Attorney was able to acquire deed to the property so we could remove the hazard and clean up the lot.

Proposals were solicited and received to demolish the building and clear the lot. The lowest proposal for this demolition was from Mertzke Trucking and Excavating \$6800. Due to the hazardous conditions of the property, we asked that the contractor at least get the structures knocked down and cleared at his earliest opportunity. He was able to do that on December 30th. The remaining cleanup will be completed within the next 21 days.

Legal Considerations, if any: Normal concerns when entering into an agreement with a contractor for demolition.

Budget Impact: Funds have been budgeted for the demolition.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends execution of the Resolution to support the awarding of the building demolition contract to the lowest qualified bidder, Mertzke Trucking and Excavating in the amount of \$6800.