

## **Canton City Council Public Hearing January 10, 2024 – 6 pm**

Members present: Josh Nordsving, Jen Dowling, Jason Magnuson, Kristy Ziegler, Randy Gossman

City Staff present: Anne Koliha, Barb Kerns, Jon Nordsving, Jim Davis

Visitors present: Ben Bisbach (FC Journal), Lavonne McCarthy, Bette Masters, Tim Fossum, Mike Wilder, Donivee Johnson, Tim Kimball, Jamie Knutson

Mayor Josh Nordsving called the public hearing to order at 6:00 p.m.

He stated the purpose of the hearing was to hear public comment on the vacating of various alleys and streets in Canton:

Alley platted between Lots 185-189 & Lots 210-214, Alley platted between Lots 180-184 & Lots 155-159, Alley platted between Lots 160-164 & Lots 175-179, Alley platted between Lots 1-11 & Lots 12-22, and Alley platted by Lots 31-34.

Streets: North portion of N Ash Street platted between Lots 68-77, Lots 78-87, Lots 9-020, and Lot 6; North portion of N Oak Street platted between Lots 29-33 & Lots 34-38; South portion of N Third Street platted between Lots 200-204 and Lot 217; and West portion of W Hudson Ave platted between Out lot 14 & 15.

Mayor Nordsving entertained public comments.

Public comments:

Mike Wilder questioned vacating width of alley (A5) according to description given – Clerk Koliha clarified description of alley

Lavonne McCarthy questioned on why now is city looking to vacate alleys and expressed that it means a lot for her to drive down her alley to access the back of her property

Donivee Johnson expressed she was not in favor of her alley being vacated as she also likes the accessibility with the alley to the back of her property

Tim Kimball inquired about how vacating worked if would sell property and if so how much

Tim Fossum expressed that he is not in favor of vacating the street that effects his properties as would be increase in tax properties and also needs to have access to his properties and not just an easement

Mike Wilder spoke on behalf of Gary Hudson regarding concern with S4 W Hudson Ave as that is the access back to Gary's shed and also the access to the field

Tim Kimball wondered how parcel of W Hudson would be split between properties

Jamie Knutson thought it was nonsense for the City to give land away it should instead be looking to gain land.

Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Dowling to adjourn the public hearing at 6:6 p.m.; motion carried.