County Ordinance 2014-006
11520 Indiana Avenue, St. Bernice, IN Ordinance
Vermillion County, Indiana

AN ORDINANCE INVOLVING 11520 INDIANA AVENUE, ST. BERNICE, IN

WHEREAS, That there exists in Vermillion County Indiana, a property with the common address of 11520 Indiana Avenue, St. Bernice, IN and more accurately described as:

> Lot Number One Hundred Twelve (112) in the original Plat of the Town of St. Bernice, Indiana

NOW BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Vermillion County Commissioners that:

SECTION 1. That this property has been unoccupied for some time and the structure located on it is not habitable.

That this property has been placed for sale in the last tax sale and no one bid on it.

That as it exists the property is an eyesore, a safety concern and it contributes nothing by way of tax revenue for the citizens of Vermillion County.

That no funds exist to demolish the structure in order to make the lot more marketable.

That this property is adjacent to the headquarters of the St. Bernice Volunteer Fire Department.

That a representative of the St. Bernice Volunteer Fire Department has appeared at a Commissioner's meeting and advised that if the Volunteer Fire Department were allowed to take possession of this property that they would take responsibility for the structure on the property, repair or demolish it and use the property for training and storage of equipment.

That the Board of Commissioners of Vermillion County believes that this would be a better use of the property than letting it sit vacant and that such a use would benefit the citizens of Vermillion County.

That to the extent the powers of their office permit them to do so, the Board of Commissioners of Vermillion County is giving permission to the St. Bernice Volunteer Fire Department to take possession of the property located at 11520 Indiana Avenue, St. Bernice, IN, free of any taxes or liens to the extent that the Commissioners may waive them and to make use of the property as if they own it.

That should the St. Bernice Volunteer Fire Department wish at a future date to obtain a deed for the property located at 11520 Indiana Avenue, St. Bernice, IN, whether through adverse possession or some other method, the Board of Commissioners of Vermillion County will not object to them doing so.

SECTION 2. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be deemed severable and the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Adopted and passed by Vermillion County Board of Commissioners this 30th day of December, 2014.

Tim Wilson, President

Harry Crossley

ATTEST:

Phyllis Orman, Auditor