

## 12. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS TO DEMOLISH IVOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

As you may recall, Ivor Elementary School was vacated by the School Board upon the opening of Nottoway Elementary and conveyed to the Board of Supervisors in December 2002. The facility was secured and mothballed at the time, but over the course of the past 9 years, the structures and remaining equipment have succumbed to the elements (and vandalism) to a point that they are more of a liability than assets. Simply put, they're blight.

Notwithstanding concerted community interest in some type of adaptive repurposing of the building, no one has been able to identify a sustainable source of funding to rehabilitate and maintain the building.

At Supervisor West's request, we obtained competitive bids to demolish the building and stabilize the site. The bids ranged from \$24,750 to \$54,480 with the low bid submitted by Gray & Sons Construction. These bids did not include removal of the underground storage tank or any asbestos containing materials, if encountered. We were unable to locate the asbestos survey that the School Board had done while the campus was still being utilized.

The building sits on 8.02 acres and the land is assessed at \$64,200. The Town of Ivor has public water nearby and our Comprehensive Plan designates it as single family residential. It is currently zoned Residential R-1.

Subject to your discussion, if you decide to proceed with the demolition, you may wish to further consider abandonment or removal of the underground storage tank and the old sewage package plant, and subsequently auctioning the property to have it placed back on the tax roll.

**MOTION REQUIRED:** If the Board is so inclined, a motion is required to accept Gray & Sons bid and proceed with the demolition.