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CASE STUDY

Community Involvement: Partnering with Village, Local Revitalization Committee, and Local Business Owner to Teardown 601 Commercial Street

In many mill towns, downtown businesses have long ago closed shop and walked away from their establishments saddling local communities with dilapidated structures and growing safety concerns. In the case of 601 Commercial Street in Mingo Junction, this mixed use commercial-residential apartment building was a condemned eyesore. Then a fire (suspected arson) took part of the structure making the situation even worse. The local Mingo Revitalization Committee took action and worked with the Jefferson County Land Bank and local Mingo village officials to corral the funding to demolish and clear the lot. Over \$27,000 in village funds and \$2,000 in Revitalization Committee funds ponied up with Land Bank NIP funding to get the job done. The Committee also brokered the deal with a local business man to acquire the now empty lot and repurpose it for a needed parking lot for his business.