

BOARD OF WORDS
AUGUST 17, 2015
1:00 P.M.

Mayor Randy Strasser opened the meeting. Carolyn Pearson and Richard Traeger were present.

Minutes from the August 3, 2015, minutes were presented. Richard Traeger made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Carolyn Pearson. Motioned carried (3-0).

Claims were presented for payment in the amount of \$826,381.68. Mayor Strasser noted \$205,000 plus was for the facades and \$354,000 plus was for the Opera House. Richard Traeger questioned if the owner occupied housing was somewhat retainage paid. It was noted it was done. Carolyn Pearson wanted to know why we were spending money at the Old Settlers Slam which is sponsored by the Education Foundation. She noted we are using taxpayer dollars to raise their funds. Leanne noted the claim and request came after the meeting and Mayor Strasser agreed to allow the sponsorship this year. Carolyn feels they should make their own money and stand on their own, and we should decrease our sponsorship. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the payment of the claims. Seconded by Richard Traeger. Motion carried (2-0). Mayor Strasser abstained.

OLD BUSINESS:

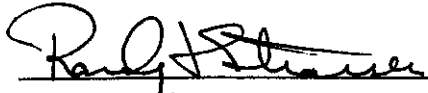
Opera House: No business.

Facades: No business.


Streetscapes: Corey Whitesell proposed a change order #1 in the amount of \$178,878.67. An alternative product was used so this a deduction to the cost. Corey did not have a copy of the change order for Leanne. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the change order. Seconded by Richard Traeger. Motion carried (3-0).

Brock Dawson, city attorney, brought an Offer to Purchase 315 N. Union from Mr. James Griffith. This would be done through the grant the City has for blight elimination. Taxes owed on the property \$834.60 and an additional \$1,000.00 would be offered to purchase. Once it is purchased, it would be donated to Habitat. Carolyn asked who would pay for the demolition. Mr. Dawson explained the City purchases, tears down, reseeds and then signs over to Habitat. This entire process is to be done through the grant. Richard Traeger made the motion to purchase 315 N. Union Street from Mr. James Griffith in the amount of \$1,834.60. Seconded by Carolyn Pearson. Motion carried (3-0).

With no further business, meeting adjourned at 1:30 P.M.



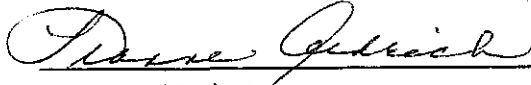
Mayor Randy Strasser



Carolyn Pearson



Richard Traeger



Leanne Aldrich, Attest