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Regular Meeting January 27th, 2025

Regular TIFA meeting was called to order at 7:34 pm

Roll Call found M. Matthews, A. Miller, C. Penney, F. Oddou, H. Tunis, W. Bartels & C. Hartshorn present.

Absent : 0

Guests: Ben Wheeler, Chris Gary, Chuck George, Todd Crank, Chris Clabaugh, Grace Vancamp & Noris Shaba

Approval of Minutes: Motioned by C. Hartshorn and seconded by M. Matthews

Treasurer's Report: Motioned by M. Matthews and seconded by C. Hartshorn

Pay Operating Bills In The Amount of: Motioned by A. Miller and second by C. Hartshorn to pay bills in the amount of \$18,473.35

Roll Call – 7-0 Votes to approve.

Public Comments and Communication Items: None

Old Business:

- A. Property Acquisition - Main st. vacant lot Art Alley – All paperwork was finalized at the end of December. A motion was made by H. Tunis and second by F. Oddou to form a committee for the Art Alley. Board members H. Tunis, M. Matthews and A. Miller all volunteered to be on that committee. Ben will also be posting on the City's website a volunteer page for public to sign. Grace Vancamp has applied for a \$50,000 grant with T- Mobile and is seeking other grants to move forward with the Art Alley.
- B. Cherry St. Vacant lot – Overflow parking lot – F. Oddou advises seeking a Geo-technical Engineer for 3rd party testing of the ground to be done after the excavating.
- C. Fence Bid for discussion and possible approval – Tabled
- D. Opera House Updates – B. Wheeler has had several people show interest and done walk throughs, but no further progression. Next moves made to seek sanitizing, a roof patch and foundation work.
- E. Other: None



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New Business:

- A. Other: B. Wheeler reviewed his 2024 accomplishments and shared his 2025 goals.

Public Comments:

Chris Clabaugh asked about the residential development plan of 2025 discussed in B. Wheeler's shared goals for 2025.

Comments from Members: None

Adjournment: Motion was made by C. Hartshorn and second by A. Miller. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm

Next Meeting is on the calendar for February 24th 2025 @ 6:30 pm