

**CITY OF HARPER
SPECIAL
COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2015 6:30 P.M.
Mayor Scott Blubaugh**

Council met in special session with Mayor Scott Blubaugh in chair. Present were Eric Barker, David Earls, Don Evans, Greg Stierwalt and Brande Vogele. Jan Graves was absent.

Council met in special session for the purpose of discussing the repair/replacement of the wall remaining from the demolition of 121 W. Main. Mayor Blubaugh explained to council that remaining wall left from the demolition of 121 W. Main was a shared wall to 119 W. Main. The wall was in very poor condition. The roof of 119 W. Main was being supported by the wall. To eliminate damages to 119 W. Main a new wall would have to be erected on the inside of 119 W. Main prior to the removal of the remaining wall of 121 W. Main. Two bids were obtained for the construction of the new wall. R&R Construction submitted a bid for \$26,400.00, they had also indicated a very busy schedule so the timeline was unknown as to when they would be able to complete the work. Blick Construction submitted a bid for \$10,000.00 but did not include unforeseen expenses that depended on the foundation and other structure conditions of 119 W. Main. Blick had a timeline of beginning work either the end of the week or beginning of the following week. R&R's bid did include insulation while Blick's did not. It was the mayor's opinion that the existing conditions did not have insulation and that should be the responsibility of the property owner to pay for if he chose to add it. Barker Sand & Gravel had submitted an additional bid of \$16,000.00 to remove the remaining wall of 121 W. Main upon completion of the new wall being built. The demolition contract stipulated that if the east wall was discovered to be a shared wall with 119 W. Main, it was to be left standing. Councilmember Vogele was unsure of finishing the inside of the wall with regards to sheetrock and felt that was more a responsibility of the property owner. Councilmember Evans said that since the existing wall provided the interior wall of 119 W. Main it was necessary to restore the interior with the new wall including sheetrock. Mayor Blubaugh pointed out that the interior work involved only the sheetrock, any paint or finishing would need to be taken care of by the property owner.

Motion by Don Evans second by Eric Barker to hire Blick Construction to build up the west wall of 119 W. Main and Barker Sand and Gravel to remove the remaining east wall of 121 W. Main for total cost not to exceed \$31,000.00. Yea- Barker, Evans, Earls and Vogele; Ney-0; Councilmember Stierwalt abstained (vote going to the majority); Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Don Evans second by Eric Barker to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0.

Tiffany M. Hartson, CMC
City Clerk