

The Cresco City Council met in special session on April 6, 2015, at 6:15 pm at City Hall. Council Members Carman, Bouska, McGee and McCarville were present. Loveless was absent. Theatre Commission members Buckley, Fortune, Gosch, Kelm and Minear were also present. Haw and Nance were absent. Also in attendance were Wendy Lickteig, Mark Bohle, Rod Freidhof, Michelle Girolamo and Jerry Riehle.

Jerry Riehle, from Riehle Decorating, reported that the east wall in the Theatre is finally testing dry. However last March it had also been dry for a short period of time. We still do not know where the moisture is coming from. Everyone is still skeptical as to whether the problem is solved or will resurface again.

The Theatre budget for this year included two rooftop air conditioners with humiditrol and an economizer. The price had increased dramatically since it was quoted out two years ago. The City decided to request quotes from other firms that specialize in commercial rooftop air conditioners. The quotes will be reviewed at the April 20, 2015 council meeting. The humiditrol is a built-in system to pull the moisture out of the air. Hopefully this will help alleviate moisture problems. Many think that this moisture problem has been there for a long time and by sealing the outside wall forced the moisture to come through the inside.

Jerry Riehle offered to bring his scaffolding to clean the vents in the ceiling that will help with the efficiency of the air movement. He will inspect more of the ceiling at the same time.

Riehle will write up an estimate of repainting the whole theatre when they repair the east wall. It has been almost 20 years and the new wall may make the rest of the Theatre look older. If the whole theatre is going to be done, it would need to be closed down for 4 to 6 weeks probably in January 2016. This would give us another 9 months to monitor the moisture and if it stays dry we would feel more comfortable that the issue has been resolved. With the 150th Celebration next summer, everyone thought it would be a good time to get it done depending on the estimated cost.

Carman moved to adjourn at 6:40 pm. McGee seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco City Council meeting will be at 7:00 pm on April 6, 2015 at Cresco City Hall.

Mayor Mark Bohle

City Clerk Michelle Girolamo