

— The Oldenburg Town Council met Monday, July 7, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building meeting room. After being called to order by Vice President Brian Clagg, the minutes from the previous May meeting were approved. Councilman Wahman made a motion to accept the minutes, Councilman Clagg seconded; all in favor.

The duration of this meeting was fraught with technological issues with the live stream. About 35 minutes of meeting was recorded but the rest was not saved. Vice President Clagg is looking into the internet speed and will have the issue corrected before the next meeting.

First on the agenda, Kevin Brown, Vice President with RDOOR Housing Corporation requested approval for the Site Plan for the Spires Senior Village project in coordination with Timonera Law. RDOOR intends to seek a location improvement permit from Franklin county which will require approval of site plan in conjunction with Oldenburg's development standards. Approval is being sought so that Site Plan may be taken to Franklin County Area Planning Commission to pursue the location improvement permit. Questions were taken from town members regarding increased police force, EMS and fire department access. Ultimately it was agreed that the letter should be approved with a contingency adding "That the Town of Oldenburg reserves the right to address and or confirm sufficient emergency access to the Spires Senior Village for fire and emergency medical services." Councilman Wahman made a motion to approve and Vice President Clagg seconded.

— Next, an additional invoice from Werner Concrete was provided for the additional apron that was poured that was not originally quoted. The \$1,700 invoice was broken down: \$1,100 for time and material for the curb and \$600 for one load of stone and placement. Councilman Wahman made a motion to approve, and Councilman Clagg seconded.

Next a motion was made to accept and reimburse a Walmart receipt from President Moeller for purchasing ink for his printer in the amount of \$35.22. Councilman Wahman made a motion to accept and Councilman Clagg seconded.

The Amended Salary Ordinance was signed and approved. The second reading will be at the August Town Council Meeting on Monday, August 4, 2025.

The annual Contractor Agreement with D&S Water/Wastewater Service (Leslie Day) was signed and renewed for an additional year.

— Next, the bids obtained for the Oldenburg emblems was discussed. It was decided that the railing behind the Municipal Building should have eight Oldenburg emblems (similar to the gates at the park, and on the bridges in town.) Chaz Kaiser with Aesthetic Metal Studio quoted eight emblems at 1/8" powder coated aluminum and installation fees at \$1,680. Matt Stahley with Drifted Iron Forge quoted the same product for \$1,360. Councilman Wahman made a motion to accept the Stahley bid, and Councilman Clagg seconded. All in favor.

Lastly, bids for completion of the wall – landscaping, riprap dirt removal, top soil and seed were sought. Paul Landscapes declined to bid and Ben Wahman Excavating quoted for \$4,480.00. The retaining wall/railing expenditure came in \$5k below what was budgeted, so no additional funds were needed to be budgeted for this cost. Councilman Clagg made a motion to approve, however questions from town members regarding “conflict of interest” as Ben Wahman is a nephew of Councilman Wahman. Vice President Clagg requested to table this item for either next months’ meeting or to call a special meeting regarding this item.

Old Business: Walking trail update from Jeff Paul: construction is to begin immediately following Freudenfest. Paul stated they will need to remove and store 4 basketball goals (2 are going back up.) Clerk Treasurer Hunter stated she could contact Dwayne Schoetmer to store the goals. Paul further stated the Leising bid for the extra 10ft of court is being obtained.

Vice President Clagg state the Water Street Grant has no additional updates at this time. HWC should be providing more information later this week.

Renovation of the Walking Bridge. Paul has spoken with a retired local engineer (no cost) who had suggested to raise the bridge, support with additional I-beams, set the bridge back down. Bridge requirements such as new uprights being required every four inches, was discussed. Questions about handicapped accessibility, Historic integrity, accessibility and/or keeping the bridge we have with modifications. Paul stated the historic bridge folks he spoke with wanted \$28k for engineering costs alone. Councilman Clagg mentioned bringing this up at the next meeting, and talking about budgeting for the upcoming year.

Discussion regarding BestWay switchover going positively. Some Rumpke cans still need to be collected.

Fire hydrant repainting is being done by Leah Walmsley – two are done. Snicklefritz on Pearl Street and the Franciscan sister on Main Street. Fireman will be painted next.

A report regarding the speed study on 229 was discussed. The maximum speed recorded in the 6 days of the study was 44 mph and the average speed was 25.69 mph. 24,701 cars were counted. There were two citations written, both for speeding. Community member Roessner states speeding is still an ongoing problem on her end of 229. She has contacted INDOT. Community member Emili Uden requested speed study to be done on the corner of 229.

The wooden pole stop sign has been removed and has been replaced with a legal stop sign.

New Business from Mike Wilhelm: last year the council approved a fire truck foam party that was organized by the late Dan Weigel. Mike stated as a representative of the family, that they would like to do that again on 08/16/2025. They are requesting permission to block Pearl street from 1-2:30 from Main street to Vine street. Councilman Wahman made a motion to approve and Councilman Clagg seconded. All in favor.

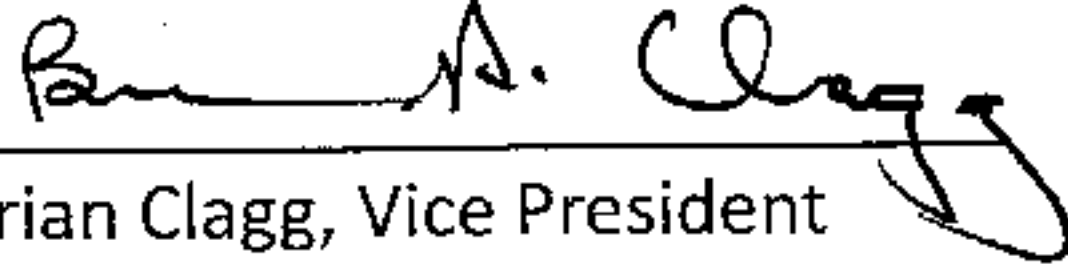
Community member Janet Huber discussed the Shane property not meeting the standard, no weed eating, small animal infestation, etc. Ordinance violation process was discussed. Further, questions about post office pick-up/parking. Clagg recommended to park the correct direction.

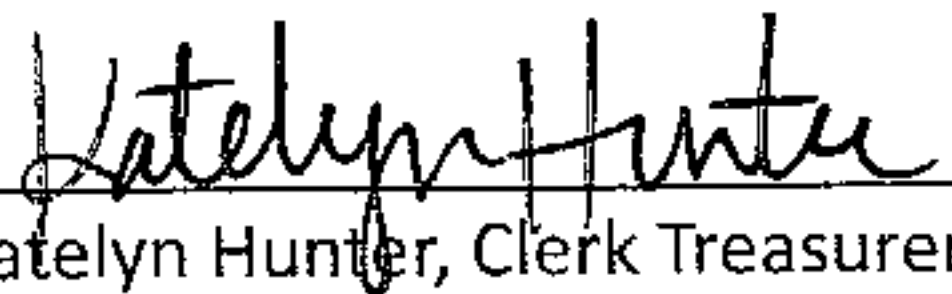
Shields discussed beautification of Oldenburg with Gary Munchel, offered to plant perennials on his hillside. State right-of-way discussed.

Carrie Roessner mentioned the street sign missing by the Academy (vine and 229) is missing and the one by her house is leaning

And finally, Jeff Paul discussed the Oldenburg Museum. The Freudenfest committee has pledged \$20k for start-up costs and Paul inquired whether the Town would pledge any funds as well. Questions regarding budget from the town regarding rent/utilities/etc. Clagg responded that council will certainly discuss and coordinate efforts for upcoming annual budget.

Councilman Wahman made a Motion to Adjourn, Clagg seconded.


Brian Clagg, Vice President


Katelyn Hunter, Clerk Treasurer

