

**CRA BOARD MEETING**  
**January 4, 2016**  
**7:00 PM**

CRA Board Members Present:

Shirley Groover Bryant, Presiding Officer  
Brian Williams, Chair  
Tambra Varnadore, Vice Chair  
Tamara Cornwell  
Jonathan Davis  
Harold Smith

Staff Present:

Mark Barnebey, City Attorney  
Jeff Burton, CRA Director  
Allen Tusing, Public Works Director  
Scott Tyler, Chief of Police  
Amber Foley, Assistant City Clerk

Mayor Bryant opened the CRA Board meeting at 7:30 p.m.

1. CRA BOARD AGENDA APPROVAL

**Motion: Mr. Williams moved, Mr. Davis seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the January 4, 2016 CRA Board Agenda.**

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. CRA CONSENT AGENDA

- A. October 5<sup>th</sup> and November 2, 2015 Minutes
- B. Blalock Walters Legal Bills

**Motion: Mr. Williams moved, Mr. Davis seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the January 4, 2016 CRA Board Consent Agenda.**

4. ELECT CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR CRA BOARD

**Motion: Mr. Williams moved, Mrs. Cornwell seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to elect Mr. Smith as Chair.**

**Motion: Mr. Williams moved, Mr. Smith seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to elect Mrs. Cornwell as Vice Chair.**

5. CRA DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Burton explained that there has been some discussion regarding the property where the old Seahorse used to be. There was money donated by the Federal Government back in the 1980's for the property. In order to utilize the property for a new building, the CRA has to buy property within the CRA or the City that is worth the appraised value of the footprint of the "Seahorse" property, and then deem the new purchased property as recreational.

6. PRESIDING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

Mayor Bryant thanked the media for the recent positive press regarding the upcoming CRA projects in the City.

7. CRA BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Mr. Williams—appreciated the recent Bradenton Herald articles written regarding the CRA projects that will be started this year.

Mayor Bryant adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Minutes approved: February 1, 2016

*James R. Freeman*

James R. Freeman, City Clerk