

WHAT DO WE STAND FOR ?

What does this community stand for, was the question. I thought for a couple seconds and I had to sit down was the answer.

I was up on Main Street on an early Sunday morning working on the Bear building. The big double doors were open and sidewalk people often wondered inside to get a glimpse of the old building and what it may have been like years ago.

I was visited by the usual Sunday morning walkers and visitors from out of town. A couple from Indianapolis peeked in and I waved them in.

We had a friendly chat and then “the question” that knocked me off my feet. The question was “what does this community stand for and would we want to be friends with the folks here and maybe we move here”?

As I set there dumbfounded trying to figure out how to be a good ambassador for the city, by what does Madison stand for, my whole life passed before me in a flash.

I thought about how the mayor and his clan of liars would answer or how the Main Street program would answer. What would Ungru and the MIDCOR MOB have to say. How about the hysterical board and preservationist wackos. And then the dancing in the street and Drunk Fest on the riverfront with Linda Lytle; how would she reply. Is our local government open and inclusive, is our economy stagnate or growing.

For that moment in time considering what I knew about our community – I thought “we stood for nothing-or perhaps nothing good.

The idea we stand for nothing good gave me a sick feeling. We lack even the strength to take a stand against the unethical local leaders, the MIDCOR mob, the high rollers who are here for one purpose only(to make money at the expense of the citizens) and our corrupt politicians.

Not having the strength to take a stand for the truth or hold our leaders and politicians accountable , what we stand for is not worth standing.

We as a community should be ashamed of what we have allowed MIDCOR and those who think they are the elitist to keep us in the dark ages with much poverty and poverty wages.

Can anyone please tell me “what does Madison stand for”? I couldn’t answer that question fairly and my visitors excused themselves and continued down the sidewalk.