



Minutes of the Community Development Advisory Committee

Kingsport City Hall, Council Room
415 Broad Street, Suite 226
Kingsport, TN 37660

Friday, January 12, 2024
1:00 pm

Members Present

Morris Baker, Chairman
René Mann, Secretary
Dorothy Dobbins

Other Attendees

Michael Price, Community Development Specialist

Members Absent

Seth Jarvis, Vice-Chairman
Chris Harpster

Call to Order –

At 1:03 - p.m. Michael Price called the meeting to order. Discussion began regarding CDBG updates. Chairman Baker arrived and presented the Minutes from 11/13/2023 for approval. Chairman Baker asked if there were any changes or comments, none heard. All approved.

New Business –

HOME-ARP SS Update – Mr. Price advised he has started working on the first draw request and has several more to go.

Old Business – None

Program Updates –

CDBG Update – Mr. Price reported he has received three 2nd Quarter Reports so far from those awarded funds. He also reported as for the demolitions, all have been completed except for one.

KAHR Update – Mr. Price stated there has not been a lot of progress. There is one project that was bid out, he received no bids on the first attempt and one bid on the second attempt for \$25,000.

Grant Updates: THDA ARP SS, TN Tourism, TN Museum - Mr. Price advised they received \$75,000 in funding from the Tennessee Museum Grant for addressing accessibility issues at the Farmstead Museum in Bays Mountain. He stated they are starting to bid out for Phase I.

Mr. Price further reported they received the Tourism grant to perform work on the Fire Tower and are currently going through the procurement process.

Other Matters – None



HOME Consortium Update –

René Mann an environmental review has been completed on one project and looking to have inspection and work write-up completed soon.

Public Comment Period – Michael Price opened the floor for public comment at 1:20 pm. No comments presented. Public comment period closed.

Announcements and Adjournment -

Mr Price reported he is working with grantees for presentations in February/March. He reported on the status of allocated funds drawn down per those awarded. Discussion began on the percentage of funding allocated towards homelessness and Mr. Price advised he could obtain the numbers from IDIS. He reported approximately \$64,000 or 15% of total allocation is set aside for public service. Mr. Price further advised there were some funds from other carryover that were put towards homelessness and that the bulk of funding is to serve LMI households or the homeless. Discussion concluded.

Meeting adjourned at 1:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

René Mann, Secretary