

Community Development Block Grant Budget Modification - Public Hearing

Minutes – April 30, 2019

Call to Order – Mr. Daly called the Public Hearing to order at 9:00am.

Budget Modifications – Amanda Boyer, Bradford County Grants Coordinator explained that the Borough intends to modify the budgets for FFY2014, FFY2015, FFY2016, and FFY2017 to re-allocate funding previously earmarked for the Higgins/Tioga/Holly Infrastructure Improvement Project to the ADA Crosswalk Improvement Project.

Ms. Boyer explained that the Higgins/Tioga/Holly Infrastructure Project was going to be expensive to complete and that she and Mr. Jarrett discussed utilizing the funds to complete the crosswalk improvement project. Ms. Boyer stated that the Borough had earmarked \$38,000 in 2013 CDBG entitlement funds for the ADA Crosswalk Improvement Project, and that additional funding is needed to complete the project. Ms. Boyer stated that the budget modification would include funding from the following federal fiscal years;

FFY2014 - \$78,432.00

FFY2015 - \$82,000.00

FFY2016 - \$78,690.00

FFY2017 - \$77,775.00

Ms. Boyer explained that a request to the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development to extend the deadline to use the funds will be submitted and that the process is time consuming and not easy, but the request will be granted by the Department.

Mr. Jarrett explained that scope of work for the base bid items included the following intersections and that work needs to be completed in two weeks if an extension is granted;

- Chacona Lane and West Packer Avenue
- West Packer Avenue and South Elmer Avenue
- South Wilbur Avenue and Hospital Place
- West Lockhart Street and South Elmer Avenue.

Mr. Jarrett stated that the contractor has completed 50% of the work and that they are doing an outstanding job to ensure that the deadline is met and that the Borough Council is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 11:00am to vote on transferring the funds.

Questions and Comments – Mayor Henry Farley asked if a decrease in the Borough's population will impact its designation as an entitlement community. Ms. Boyer stated that she is not sure if the Borough's population will decrease below 5,000 people after the 2020

census, but any CDBG funds granted to the Borough until then will be available for use by the Borough.

Adjourn – Mr. Daly closed the public hearing at 9:25am without objection.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DJ', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

David Jarrett
Borough Secretary/Manager