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## Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting November 4, 2013

The Citizens Advisory Committee and the Department of Planning & Development held a Public Hearing on November 4, 2013, at Pettengill House, 13 Lafayette Road, Salisbury, MA at 5:30 PM.

In attendance were Citizen Advisory Committee Members: Berenice McLaughlin, Melinda Morrison and George McKenna Tiffany Nigro, LSW, Assistant Director, Pettengill House Lisa Pearson, Director of Planning & Development, Lisa Beaulieu, Program Manager Terri Mahoney, Admin. & Financial Asst.

Ms. McLaughlin offered a motion to open the meeting at 5:30 p.m. Ms. Morrison seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## **CDBG FY2011 Grant Review**

L. Pearson explained that the grant is being closed out. We are very happy with the impact of the Programs on the residents of Salisbury.

Boys & Girls Club Scholarship Program-80; Beneficiaries-343 Pettengill House Emergency Assistance Program-Households 51; Beneficiaries 114 Environmental Camp-Scholarships 9; Beneficiaries-32. Program Income was used for Camp.

She also explained that all funds were spent for the Gardner Street Phase I project. Per last meetings' vote, we moved the extra funds to Housing Rehab.

## **CDBG FY2012 Grant and Amendment**

Housing Rehabilitation-5 Units- 3 complete, 1 under construction, 1 income qualification

Gardner Street Phase II – Project complete. The last bill had to be negotiated due to a discrepancy in services. Certificate of Compliance is before the Conservation Committee on November 6, 2013.

Boys & Girls Club Scholarship Program-32 yearly scholarships, 17 for December, 11 for February, 12 for April, 27 for Summer. Total of 338 beneficiaries; all funds are spent.

Pettengill House Emergency Assistance Program-54 households; 135 beneficiaries. All funds were spent by June, 2013.

Environmental Camp- 13 approved. It was voted to move \$1,227 from Program Income for the Environmental Camp for a total \$6,227. Mr. McKenna made the motion and Ms. Morrison seconded the motion.

## **CDBG FY2013 Grant Application**

L. Pearson updates the CAC/audience:

Housing Rehabilitation- 2 have been income qualified.

Mr. McKenna inquired about Rehab. L. Pearson explained that we can fix a house but if more is needed, we can guide the person to other agencies such as Community Action Council, etc. CIT, NorthShore Home and Affordable Housing Trust funds have also been used for some of the projects

Lincoln Avenue Neighborhood Infrastructure Project Phase I – permits and approvals are done. Bid will go out in January. L. Pearson explained that only the water line is being done at this time. This project has a budget of \$350,000

Boys & Girls Club Scholarship Program – Sub recipient agreement was signed. 11 approved.

Pettengill House Emergency Assistance Program- Sub recipient agreement was signed. Ms. Nigro, Assistant Director of Pettengill House is excited for the new funds for the Emergency Assistance Program. Ms. Nigro explained the services provided. She explained that they income qualify people before giving out the benefit. They were awarded a special grant to work with the elderly and coordinate services with the Senior Center. They are trying to meet the demand for food; medications, mental health benefits, transportation, etc. She explained that there are over 700 homeless people in Salisbury. She explained how they start with the basic needs and build on this.

Mr. McKenna asked what amount of funds were provided to Pettengill; response was \$20,000.

## **CDBG FY2014 Grant Application**

**Ideas and Suggestions** 

RFQ went out for Social Services (Pettengill, Boys and Girls Club, Turning Point have responded).

President Street neighborhood – Income survey's almost complete. The Department went door to door 2x; Missing 2 households.

L. Pearson explained that we need Engineering done on all the streets. There are many different situations in that neighborhood. Depending on the outcome, easements may have to be given.

All present discussed the President's Street area.

Pettengill House – Ms. Nigro again expressed the need for the Emergency Assistance Program for LMI Salisbury residents.

Boys & girls club – Jim Keenan stated interest in continuing the program.

L. Pearson explained that we need a second physical activity in the target area.

L. Pearson said she is also getting input from the Department head, public and Selectmen.

On the motion of Ms. Morrison, seconded by Mr. McKenna, it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 pm

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