

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING NOTES OF FERUARY 16, 2011
CITY HALL WEST CONFERENCE ROOM
CITY OF WYOMNG, MICHIGAN

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dishaw, Krenz, Sturim, VanderVeen, Ziemba

MEMBERS ABSENT: Groth, Lonergan, Reeder

STAFF PRESENT: Rynbrandt, Director of Community Services
Gaffney, Community Development Coordinator

Welcome and Introductions

Chair, Dishaw, welcomed all to the meeting.

Call to Order

Chair Dishaw called the meeting to order at 6:47 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made, by Sturim, seconded by Ziemba, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Prior Committee Minutes

The prior minutes of the Wyoming Community Development Committee, dated January 19, 2011, were reviewed by the Committee members. Motion, by Sturim was made to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Krenz. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing on Proposed 5-year and 1-Year Plan (Year 2)

Dishaw opened the public hearing at 6:55 p.m. and with no one wishing to make comments, closed the hearing at 6:56 p.m.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

There was one guest in the audience. Mr. Matthew Van Horn, troop Instructor, for Boy Scout Troop 281, in the City of Walker was present and wished to inform his group of Wyoming's upcoming Community Development plans.

Home Repair Services Request for 2010-2011 Changes

Mr. Bob Hengeveld and Tim Swinkels, from Home Repair Services (HRS), outlined a new Air Sealing program to be included in Wyoming's proposed 2010-2011 HRS activity list. This new activity addresses a much neglected source of heat loss in a home. The program would be

included in their Minor Home Repair (MHR) program line item. They would like to increase the proposed Wyoming MHR activity by \$10,000, to be funded by eliminating the Builder's Abundance activity. This would keep the total request for next year's Home Repair Services activities at the current \$75,000 level.

2010-2011 CDBG Action Plan Budget Discussion

Rynbrandt explained City Staff's proposed 2010-2011 CDBG Annual budget, with revenues and expenses of \$846,680. The committee examined and discussed proposed revenues. They then examined expenses of activities, in order, from "High" to Low" priority designations. The committee wished to add a line item for possible programs and activities at the proposed Taft Community Center. Ziemba suggested that public improvement funds be used to increase security activities in Hillcroft Park. Rynbrandt suggested a \$15,000 budget for security cameras could be included in the 1-Year Plan and the committee agreed. Other minor changes were made and the attached budget was agreed upon. A motion was made, by Sturim, seconded by Ziemba, to recommend that the City Council approve the attached 2010-2011 CDBG budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Member Concerns and Suggestions

A motion was made, by Sturim, seconded by Krenz, to recommend that the City Council approve amending the CDBG 5-year Plan to include allowing demolition of "dilapidated structures" and the acquisition of properties in floodway zones in eligible low-income areas. The motion passed unanimously.

Dishaw suggested the committee meet on September 21, 2011, to discuss the status of CD spending. The Committee agreed to meet on that date.

Public Comment

There were no guest comments.

Adjournment

At 9:00 p.m., there was a motion by Sturim, supported by VanderVeen, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Patrick T. Gaffney
Community Development Coordinator