Town of Pink Hill Public Hearing Meeting September 14, 2021 6:00pm

The Town of Pink Hill met for a public hearing on September 14, 2021 at 6:00 PM in the town hall board room. Present for this meeting were Mayor Pro-Tem Mike Hill, Commissioner James Quinn, Commissioner Penny Murphy, Town Attorney George Jenkins, Town Clerk Crystal Heath, Public Works Supervisor Timmy Kennedy and Public Works Assistant Phillip Swinson.

Visitors present were Ben Jones, Al Rachide, Carolyn Whitfield, and Pete Fantini.

Mayor Pro-Tem Mike Hill called the meeting to order to discuss the application for 2021 Community Development Block Grant. Called the meeting to order and approve the special meeting agenda. Commissioner Penny Murphy made a motion to approve the special meeting agenda. Commissioner James Quinn seconded the motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Mike Hill said any discussion, all in favor say "aye", motion carried unanimously.

Ben Jones with the Adams Company was there to discuss the grant. He said today we are having a public hearing to alert the public about the Town of Pink Hill planning to apply for the CDBG neighborhood revitalization grant program. It is a grant program through the Department of Commerce the Rural Economic Development Division. Every year the state releases funds that are used for the beautification of housing in town and municipalities. This year the amount is, I believe, 10 million dollars. This is a competitive grant process so we are writing an application, and we will submit it to the state for review. They will review the application and let us know if we are funded or not. Any question? Mayor Pro-Tem Mike Hill said this you told me it could replace four houses right? Mr. Ben Jones said that is right so the maximum amount of money we can ask for is \$750,000. Which includes temporary location of individuals, rehabilitation, administration costs, and reconstruction depending on what the grant will consist of. What we are finding right now when we rebuild four homes we are getting close to that budget. What I anticipate is we are going to write this application to rebuild four homes. We will talk about that at the next board meeting once we find out what the application consists of. We will not start construction probably for a year plus, or 14, 15 months. I would anticipate, if we have money left, we could include another house by then in rehab. Mayor Pro-Tem Mike Hill said and this has to be owner occupied? Mr. Jones said yes owner occupied housing, low to moderate income, and has to be a real property. Typically that excludes mobile homes. Mayor Pro-Tem Mike Hill said and it is no cost to the Town right? Mr. Jones said zero cost to the Town, 100 percent grant funded program, zero percent town match. Mayor Pro-Tem Mike Hill if any of the Commissioners had any questions, they did not.

Commissioner James Quinn made a motion to approve the application for the Community Development Block Grant money. Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Mike Hill said any discussion, all in favor say "aye", motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned.

Typed by Díana Rodríquez, Assistant Town Clerk

Approved by Crystal Heath, Town clerk