

Members Present: Mayor Gary Baker, Trustees Colleen Penta, Lori Tyler, Kenneth VanFleet Jr. and Sharon White

Others Present:

Village of Wolcott Clerk – Melanie DeBadts
Village of Wolcott WWTP – Tommy Mettler
Municipal Solutions, Inc. – Mary Chappell
Teamsters Local 118 – Mike Maynard
WCWSA – Marty Aman
Larry Hogan

Public Hearing – Community Development Block Grant Program

Mayor Baker called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mary Chappell from Municipal Solutions, Inc. addressed the Board and members of the public present regarding a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application the Village is considering. The purpose of this first public hearing is to announce the application opportunity, discuss potential projects and enable public participation and input.

Community Development Block Grants are federal funds budgeted through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. The program is administered in New York State through the New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation's Office of Community Renewal. Program objectives in New York State include the following:

- Preserve and increase affordable housing, for both renters and homeowners
- Encourage investment and economic development opportunities that principally benefit low and moderate income persons
- Revitalize NY communities and enhance quality of life
- Strategies that coordinate CDBG funding with other federal, state and local resources

CDBG funding availability allocates \$40 million as follows:

- Annual Round 58%
- Open Round Economic Development 33%
- Innovative and Special Projects 3%
- Imminent Threat 2%
- Technical Assistance and Capacity Building 1%
- Community Planning 1%
- Program Administration 2%

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The CDBG 2011 Annual Competitive Round, which the Village is considering, will provide funding for housing, public infrastructure and public facilities projects. The maximum award available for Villages applying for public infrastructure funding is \$600,000. The maximum award available for a joint application is \$900,000.

Ms. Chappell discussed general criteria which must be met for the CDBG program. The project investment must be feasible and all necessary components identified and committed. The project investment must leverage outside resources such as third party funds, local funds and support. The investment must also produce a priority outcome.

Applications are due May 27, 2011. Technical assistance is available in development of grant proposals.

Ms. Chappell requested comments from the public regarding possible projects to be applied for under the CDBG program.

Larry Hogan stated that, in his opinion, a wastewater project is the highest priority.

Mayor Baker stated that the Village was approved for funding under the CDBG program in 2006 and the project was ultimately turned down. Would that have a negative impact on a new application? Ms. Chappell responded that a new application could include an explanation for the previous grant refusal and cited a change in administration as one example.

Trustee VanFleet asked if the CDBG program would include stipulations that would cost the Village more money. Ms. Chappell responded that the Village would have to comply with prevailing wage law and women and minority regulations but that all funding programs would have the same requirements.

Marty Aman stated that there is a lot of political support for the regional wastewater application and that is one area in which Wayne County Water and Sewer Authority would be able to offer significant support.

The Village Board will hold a second Public Hearing on the CDBG program Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 6:00 pm.

The Village Board will hold a workshop session Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 5:00 pm in the Wolcott Police Department. Representatives from Wayne County Water and Sewer Authority and Clark Patterson Lee will attend the workshop. The purpose of the workshop session will be to discuss wastewater treatment options for the Village of Wolcott.

Trustee White made the motion to close the Public Hearing at 6:40 pm. Trustee Penta seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Park Use Request

Trustee Penta made the motion to approve a request from Malinda Dwyer for use of the Wolcott Falls Park June 26, 2011 for a graduation party. Trustee Tyler seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Executive Session

Trustee Tyler made the motion to go into executive session at 6:48 pm for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. Trustee Penta seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Tommy Mettler and Mike Maynard were invited to attend part of the executive session. Tommy Mettler and Mike Maynard left the executive session at 7:15 pm.

Trustee VanFleet made the motion to come out of executive session at 7:43 pm. Trustee Tyler seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Teamsters Local Union #118 Contract

Trustee VanFleet made the motion to approve the new health insurance plan based on the discussion with Mike Maynard related to the terms of the proposed union contract, which will be voted on upon receipt of the written document. Trustee Penta seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Ricky Miller

Trustee Tyler made the motion to approve five (5) weeks vacation pay for Ricky Miller. Trustee White seconded the motion. Trustee VanFleet stated that the vacation pay to be received is final payment in full and that, prior to receiving payment, Mr. Miller will be required to sign a statement acknowledging his release for all claims of further wages or payments from the Village of Wolcott. Mayor Baker call for a voted and all voted in favor.

Jacob Keymel

Trustee Penta made the motion to hire Jacob Keymel as a full-time Laborer at the current union rate of pay, on a temporary basis for six (6) months. After six (6) months the Village Board will reevaluate Mr. Keymel's employment based on the Village situation at that time. Trustee Tyler seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Matthew Crane

Matthew Crane submitted a signed letter of resignation to the Clerk, effective May 2, 2011. Trustee VanFleet made the motion to approve pay out of all unused vacation and floating holiday time. Trustee Penta seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Trustee VanFleet stated that sick time is not required to be paid out, per the union contract. The Clerk questioned carrying unused sick time as a Village liability until the former employee retires. The Clerk was instructed to discuss the matter with Mike Maynard from Teamsters Local Union #118.

Trustee Tyler made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm. Trustee Penta seconded the motion and all voted favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie A. DeBadts
Clerk/Treasurer