

FIRST CDBG PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
HINCKLEY TOWN FIRST CDBG PUBLIC HEARING
HEARING HELD IN HINCKLEY TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 161 E 300 N, HINCKLEY, UT, 7:00 PM

The Hinckley Town first CDBG public hearing was held on Thursday, November 2, 2023, in the Hinckley Town Council Chambers at 161 E 300 N, Hinckley, UT, meeting commenced at 7:08 PM.

Present: Hinckley Town Mayor Brian Florang, Councilmember Donald Brown,
Councilmember Leon Lewis, Councilmember Ray Searle
Absent: Councilmember LeeAnn Terry
Town employees: Trey Ross, Joe Stevens
Public in attendance: Sidney Spencer, Ron Pierce, Michael Palmer, Clay Holman,
Matt Ward, Michael Zurn, Justin Louder, Steve Draper, Jane Ann Draper, Gina
Tolbert, Skip Taylor

Town Clerk: Tresa Taylor

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Brian Florang opened the public hearing for the CDBG program and stated that the purpose of the public hearing is to provide citizens with pertinent information about the Community Development Block Grant program and to allow for discussion of possible applications for the 2024 funding cycle. It was explained that the grant money must be spent on projects benefiting primarily low and moderate-income persons. The Six County Association of Governments, in which Hinckley Town is a member, is expecting to receive approximately \$850,000 in this new program year. All eligible activities that can be accomplished under this program are identified in the CDBG Application Policies and Procedures Manual and interested persons can review it at any time.

Mayor Brian Florang asked anyone with questions, comments, or suggestions during the hearing to please step up to the podium and identify themselves by name before they speak. The clerk will include your names in the minutes, and we would like to specifically respond to your questions and suggestions during the hearing.

Mrs. Sidney Spencer asked for an idea of the amount of grant funding. Mayor Florang responded that it is based on what we end up suggesting and at this point since it is brainstorming, we are open to any suggestions. So, at this time the town is soliciting ideas.

Mr. Matt Ward said he has two ideas. The first idea is for a no kill feline animal shelter, noting Hinckley has a wild cat problem and he believes a no kill shelter in the area may even provide service areas outside of Hinckley. Mr. Ward said his second idea is for a soccer field in the park and was informed the town already has a soccer field in the park.

Mr. Justin Louder suggested piping the Hinckley Town irrigation ditch to promote safety and water conservation. Mr. Louder said he has a farm field on west Center Street and suggested trying to find a way to capture garbage that is leaving vehicles when garbage is being transported to the garbage dumpsters, noting his field is constantly littered with garbage.

Mr. Michael Zurn stated he is not a town resident but a developer and noted in the area he is developing there are properties that are not being taken care of, meaning abandoned cars and items that people may have a hard time getting rid of. He asked about getting more dumpsters to help clean up the town. Mr. Zurn suggested investing in additional infrastructure for new development and improving roads in developed areas.

Mr. Skip Taylor suggested improving and maintaining town roads.

Mr. Michael Palmer asked what things/projects the town is looking at and Mayor Florang responded, the town has not discussed this, and we are starting with community input.

Mrs. Gina Tolbert asked if there is a cutoff on when the town must apply for funding and Mayor Florang responded yes.

Mayor Brian Florang then asked if there were any other suggestions.

The hearing was adjourned at 7:19 pm.