

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES



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SOLICIT PUBLIC INPUT ON LOCAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING NEEDS IN RELATION TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDING FOR PROJECTS IN THE TOWN.
2ND OF 2 REQUIRED PUBLIC HEARINGS
MARCH 13, 2018

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MAYOR FRANCIS PERRY OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:30 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL – Town Clerk – Wayne Bledsoe

	PRESENT:	ABSENT:
Mayor, Frances Perry	X	
Vice Mayor, Roger Cassell	X	
Council Member, Allan “Cotton” Roberts	X	
Council Member, Robin Richards	X	
Council Member, Wallace W. Ross, Jr.	X	
Council Member, Ron Kindle	X	
Town Manager, Greg Jones	X	
Town Attorney, Michele Brooks	X	

Others present: Anna Meade, Jason Snapp, Debbie Kindle, Sergeant Justin Miller, Frank Kibler

III. NEW BUSINESS

SOLICIT PUBLIC INPUT ON LOCAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING NEEDS IN RELATION TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDING FOR PROJECTS IN THE TOWN.

- Town Manager Greg Jones introduced Frank Kibler, Senior Planner, LENOWISCO Planning District, to explain more about the Park Street project.
- Mr. Kibler also introduced Anna Meade, Rehabilitation Specialist.
- Both presented a PowerPoint on the proposed Park Street DCHD grant.



- Boundaries indicated in bold on map.
- Houses included are:
 - **669 Park Street** – unoccupied. Owner is deceased and contact with owner has been unavailable.
 - **649 Park Street** – possibility of “squatters” living downstairs, but nobody living in upstairs portion. Unable to contact owner. House being considered for demolition as it has been determined to be beyond rehabilitation. Resident Eddie Spivey to provide additional details of possible owner. Sgt. Justin Miller has confirmed that Rick Taylor is the owner of this property.
 - **Unaddressed Park Street (next door to 649)** – also designated for “substantial reconstruction” or demolition. House is beyond rehabilitation.
 - **609 Park Street** – rehabilitation proposed for this residence.
 - **559 Park Street** – renovations have begun, but this property is currently vacant. Owner unknown. Plumbing and interior has been removed from this location as part of an incomplete renovation. As a result, the support beams are compromised in this residence.
 - **579 Park Street** – House in good condition. Possible minor rehabilitation to be done here.
 - **571 Park Street** – Mobility-impaired residents at this property. Many options for rehabilitation exist here.
 - **559 Park Street** – “Substantial reconstruction”/demolition possibility. Accessibility ramps and energy-efficient improvements needed at this residence.
 - **554 Park Street** – Rental property. Property in good shape. Minor rehabilitation possible with accessibility concerns.
 - **544 Park Street** – Rental property. Vacant.
 - **490 Park Street** – Rental property. Information obtained, but unable to contact renter or property owner.
 - **480 Park Street** – Pending appointment with resident. Resident interested in large walnut tree removal at corner of property. House can be rehabilitated.

- **460 Park Street** – Both residents here are sick/disabled. House in need of several handicapped accessible renovations/additions, as well as heating needs. Water and sewer concerns also exist here.
 - **440 Park Street** – Unable to contact residents/gain access. Rehabilitation contingent upon income information (Need to determine LMI). Resident is personally known to a Council Member. Council Member will try to establish contact.
 - **394 Park Street** – House is in very good condition - cannot be included in grant.
 - Interior pictures of some residences were also shared. Homeowners had given permission to photograph without identifying residents or homeowners.
- Mr. Kibler distributed a spreadsheet with approximate figures attached to each property.
 - Figures are “fluid”, however, any changes to the figures would be less than the amount currently specified.
 - Current house numbers listed as “000” were placed due to lack of E911 address information.
 - Projects are scored on a 1,000-point scale, based on a variety of criteria.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Close public comment at 7:25 P. M.

V. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSSES AT 7:26 P.M.

Frances Perry – Mayor

Wayne Bledsoe - Town Clerk