

TOWN OF HAMDEN

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION
MEETING
MARCH 13, 2013
6:00 PM
IN THE LONGE
KEEFE COMMUNITY CENTER
11 PINE STREET
HAMDEN**

Commissioners in attendance: Joyce Blandon, Chairwoman
Sheila Bonnano
Michael Brooks
Janet Lyons
Robert Werner

Others in attendance: Chris Marchand, Community Development Program Manager
Peggy Craft, Commission Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Blandon called the meeting to order at 6:06 PM.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance was taken as noted above.

PROGRAM MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Marchand distributed the Program Manager's Report.

Rehabilitation Program

Mr. Marchand discussed the Rehabilitation Program.

There is one rehabilitation project that is in the active phase:

25 Savoy Street – Emergency Roof - \$6,240.00

There are two projects in the On-Hold, Cost Estimating or Specs/Bid phases:

142 North Street - Emergency Furnace Repaired in PY37, Replace when available in PY38
124 North Street - Emergency Furnace

There has been one project completed since January 31, 2013:

1891 State Street – Traditional Rehab – roof, windows, lead abatement - \$14,225.00

Down Payment Assistance

There were no closings since the last report.

Fair Rent/Fair Housing

No new complaints.

Infrastructure/Commercial Rehabilitation Program

There were no Infrastructure/Commercial Rehabilitation Projects in January or February.

Public Facility/Miscellaneous

Mr. Marchand discussed two projects for PY 38:

The Hamden Housing Authority Project for new sidewalks, ADA curb cuts, drainage work, new clothes drying areas, and a bus turnout for buses picking up elderly residents has been completed. \$25,000 in CDBG funds was committed to this project. HHA was able to secure a matching grant from CHFA. Additional funds also came from the HHA capital improvement fund. The total cost for the project was \$96,000.

Off-street parking on Pine Street for the Keefe Community Center was also completed. The total cost of this project was \$62,000.

The DECD application for \$750,000 has not been funded. DECD has changed direction in the application process, and now have new programs to apply for. These opportunities will be researched.

Mr. Marchand is currently working on the Annual Action Plan for PY 39, 2013-2014.

Public Service Agency Grants

The Commissioners present discussed the results of the sub-committee's interviews regarding the applications for Public Service Grants. After the discussion regarding the sub-committee's recommendations, the following motion was made:

Commissioner Bonnano motioned to approve the following Public Service Grants:

- BHI CARE \$4,000**
- Columbus House - \$8,000**
- Hamden Elderly Services - \$7,000**
- Hamden Community Services - \$7,050**
- Hamden Youth Services -\$3,000**
- Partnership for Adult DayCare -\$7,800**
- GNHCLF (ROOF Project) - \$3,500**
- H.C.L.C. (formerly REACH/STEPS) \$4,000**
- Young Audiences of CT, Inc. - \$3,000**
- DESTINED to Succeed, Inc. - \$2,150**

Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion. The vote was four in favor with one abstention. The motion passed.

Mr. Marchand said he would prepare a memo for the Council explaining the reasoning for the funding.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business to come before the Commission.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business to come before the Commission.

Submitted by:

Peggy Craft, Clerk of the Commission