

# TOWN OF HAMDEN

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

**Commissioners in attendance:** Joyce Blandon, Chairwoman  
Michael Brooks  
Janet Lyons  
Roberta Hoskie  
Robert Werner

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

## CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Blandon called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance was taken as noted above.

The 2014 Meeting Schedule was presented to the Commissioners for their review and approval. **Commissioner Werner motioned to approve the 2014 Meeting Schedule as presented. Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion that passed unanimously.**

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 2013 MEETING

**Commissioner Brooks motioned to approve the Minutes of the October 2013 Meeting. Commissioner Werner seconded the motion. The motioned passed unanimously.**

## PROGRAM MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Marchand distributed the Program Manager's Report.

### Rehabilitation Program

There are currently two rehabilitation projects that are in active phases. They are:

227 Hillview Avenue - \$11,260.00 – Traditional Rehabilitation  
810 Mill Rock Avenue - \$15,250.00 – Traditional Rehabilitation

These rehabs total \$26,510.00.

Mr. Marchand explained the work that is being done on each projects.

There are currently four rehabilitation projects that have been completed. They are:

400 Goodrich Street – Commercial Facade - \$10,650.00  
124 North Street - Emergency Furnace – Pending  
135 Woodin Street – Emergency Roof - \$3,939.00  
34 West Shepard Avenue – Emergency Roof - \$4,680.00

These rehabs total \$19,269.00.

The Housing Authority – Rehabilitation has been moved to spring 2014.

### **Down Payment Assistance**

There has been one closing since the last report. This closing was for 43 First Street in the amount of \$4,800.

### **Fair Rent/Fair Housing**

There have been no new complaint since the last meeting.

### **Infrastructure/Commercial Rehabilitation Program**

The commercial Facade Improvement Program and Sign Grant for 400 Goodrich Street in the amount of \$10,650.00 has been completed.

### **Public Facility/Miscellaneous**

The Keefe Center Parking Lot Improvements for re-surfacing and new striping to add 12 additional spaces has been completed. The cost of this project \$10,533.00. The project was completed November 1, 2013.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business to come before the Commission.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

An e-mail from Yvonne E. Jones, CEO/Founder Of D.E.S.T.I.N.E.D. To Succeed, Inc. was presented to the Commissioners. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the information Ms. Jones provided regarding the Biz-E-Kids Programs that received a CDBG Public Service Agency Grant that Ms. Jones unable to use during the summer. Ms. Jones proposes to use the funding for the 2013-14 academic school year. Ms. Jones also noted that she is awaiting approval from the Hamden Board of Education's Operation Committee on the use of Hamden Middle School for this program. Ms. Jones states that the application will go before the Committee on December 6<sup>th</sup>. It was believed by the Commissioners that this date was incorrect. It was decided that a vote on this request would be tabled until the application is approved or denied by the Operations Committee. Ms. Bandon will attend this meeting.

Ms. Bandon will e-mail Ms. Jones regarding her fee structure. Ms. Bandon will also inquire as to whether Ms. Jones has discussed or received approval from the BOE for charging a fee for a program that is held in a Board of Education Building. Ms. Jones will also be asked to provide a full budget to this Commission.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There was no further business to come before the Commission and Chairman Blandon called for a motion to adjourn. **Commissioner Brooks motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Hoskie seconded the motion that passed unanimously.** Chairman Blandon adjourned the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Submitted by:

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Peggy Craft, Clerk of the Commission