

**TOWN OF HAMDEN  
 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING  
 KEEFE COMMUNITY CENTER  
 11 PINE STREET  
 HAMDEN, CT  
 MARCH 11, 2015  
 6:00 PM**

**Commissioners in attendance:** Joyce Blandon, Chairman  
 Candace Birks  
 Michael Brooks  
 Janet Lyons  
 Michael McGarry

**Others in attendance:** Chris Marchand  
 Peggy Craft, Commission Clerk

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Blandon called the meeting to order at 6:09 PM.

**ATTENDANCE**

Attendance was taken as noted above.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

**Rehabilitation Program**

**Out to Bid, Under Construction or Ready for Payment**

We have 2 rehabilitation projects that are in active phase as follows:

1.	22 Third Street	\$17,500	Traditional Rehab
2.			QVHD Ordered Lead Abatement
3.	33 Bank Street	\$7,200.00	Emergency Roof
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
8.			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 24,700.00</b>	

**Other Projects On-Hold, Cost Estimating (CE) or Specs/BID (SP) Stage**

1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

**Completed Projects through January 31, 2015:**

<b>1.</b>	<b>62 Federal Street</b>	<b>\$380. 00</b>	<b>Emergency Furnace</b>
<b>2.</b>			
<b>3.</b>			
<b>4.</b>			
<b>5.</b>			
<b>6.</b>			
<b>7.</b>			
<b>8.</b>			
<b>9.</b>			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 380.00</b>	

**Note: There are 6 additional projects on the waiting list. The waiting list would be exhausted by the Fall 2016 without other applications or funding. 14 have filled out intent to apply forms when list re-opens.**

**Downpayment Assistance**

There were two closings since last report, \$6,800.00. There is one pending closing

**Fair Rent/Fair Housing**

No new complaints since last meeting.

Mr. Marchand is working with the Town Attorney regarding Atria Assisted Living to determine if they would fall under the Fair Rent Commission authority. The Town Attorney has been working with the New Haven Housing Court Clerk to determine jurisdiction.

**Public Facility/Misc:**

It is intended to spend the remaining funds on Playground improvements at Keefe Community Center with carryover to use new funds. The estimated cost is \$81,000. The first phase has been completed. The drainage system has been installed at a cost of \$6,150.00.

**Public Service Agency Grants**

Ms. Blandon presented the recommendations of the members of the sub-committee regarding the Public Service Agency Grants.

There was a discussion regarding the recommendations. After the discussion the following grants were agreed upon:

- Hamden Community Services - \$14,000
- Emergency Management Shelter - \$7,500
- Partnership for Adult Day Care - \$9,000
- Hamden Youth Services \$5,850
- BH CARE - \$5,000
- Arts for Living- \$4,650
- H.C.L.C. - \$3,000
- Believe in Me - \$0

**Commissioner McGarry motioned to accept the recommendation for the Public Service Agency Grants as listed above. Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion that passed unanimously.**

There was a short discussion regarding the meeting of the West Woods Civic Association that Ms. Blandon attended. Ms. Blandon said that Economic Development Director Dale Kroop stated at this meeting that it will be at least five years before something can be done with the southern Stop & Shop Plaza. The company that owns this property is in bankruptcy. Mr. Marchand said this is a very long process.

Ms. Blandon discussed the blight in the southern area. She feels cleanups would be a good idea.

Streetscapes were also discussed.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Commissioner Birks motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion that passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM.**

Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_  
Peggy Craft, Commission Clerk