

CDBG Close Out Public Hearing
Tazewell County
MINUTES

The public hearing for the County's close out for grants to businesses utilizing funds from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Downstate Small Business Stabilization (DSBS) program was called to order by Chairman David Zimmerman at 5:30 p.m., June 30, 2021. An attendance register was kept for all attendees that asked for names, addresses and phone numbers, their association with the projects or purpose of attending, whether public official, business, interested citizen other. That register is attached.

The information explained that the purpose of the hearing was to provide an opportunity for all citizens to express their opinions, questions and priorities on community development, including housing; to provide other program information and to provide previously available information on and to discuss the completed projects. The agenda provided a brief explanation of the national objectives and related information.

It was discussed that the County completed projects did not cause involuntary displacement of anyone from their properties. It was said that most, if not all the records on the project would be available to the public in the same manner as other public records kept by the County.

The discussion of other community development and housing needs included and in order of priority were:

1. Assist where possible small businesses throughout the county that have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 virus pandemic;
2. Improve resources to help all the communities, both businesses and residents, who have been negatively affected by the virus;
3. Assist where possible individuals access social, financial and government services and other resources to recover from the viral disaster;
4. Develop a plan for the county that will help mitigate the effects of any situation similar to the current circumstances due to the viral outbreak;
5. Gather information for future resources to provide to persons and businesses that will help them cope with similar situations.

It was explained that the project the County applied for is special economic development funds made available by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) to provide up to \$25,000 to certain small businesses with 50 or fewer employees affected by the COVID-19 Emergency for up to 60 days of working capital. No other use of funds is eligible. These funds are to be used to provide working capital for the benefit of:

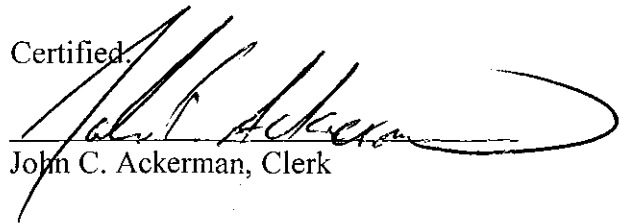
1. Dempsey's Pub, Inc. - \$18,800 for payroll and overhead expenses
2. Tequilas Mexican Bar and Grill - \$24,970 for overhead expenses
3. Touch of Bronze, Inc. - \$11,600 for payroll and overhead expenses
4. Lyt, Inc. dba Art at the Bodega - \$10,000 for payroll and overhead expenses
5. Dearcos Sheldon, Inc dba Office on Main - \$25,000 for payroll and overhead expenses
6. Morton Firehouse Pizza, LLC - \$20,000 for overhead expenses
7. Terry Cooper dba Hilltop Grill - \$12,500 for payroll and overhead expenses

The applications may be viewed at the office of the County Clerk, 11 S. 4th St., Pekin by appointment, (309) 477-2264.

There was a discussion of the project among the County Board and comments and suggestions by the citizens in attendance.

The hearing was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Certified.


John C. Ackerman, Clerk



Tazewell County
Community Development Block Grant Program
Downstate Small Business Stabilization Component
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