

MINUTES OF PRICE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 22, 2014, 5:00 p.m.

The Price City Council meeting convened in regular session on January 22, 2014, in the Price City Hall Council Chambers, Room 104 at 5 p.m.

Present: Mayor Joe Piccolo
Councilmember Rick Davis City Recorder, Laurie Tryon
Councilmember Wayne Clausing Community Dir., Nick Tatton
Councilmember Kathy Hanna-Smith
Councilmember Miles Nelson
Councilmember Layne Miller

Others: Terry Willis, Victor Staley, Dean Nyffler and Jake Mellor

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Piccolo, opened the public hearing at 5 p.m. for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and stated that this hearing is being called to consider potential projects for which funding may be applied under the 2014 CDBG Program. It was explained that the grant money must be spent on projects benefiting primarily low and moderate-income persons. The Southeastern Utah Region of which Price City is a member, is expecting to receive approximately \$400,000 in this new program year. All eligible activities that can be accomplished under this program are identified in the CDBG Application Guide and interested persons can review it at any time. Mayor Piccolo read several of the eligible activities listed such as: construction of public works and facilities, i.e.: water and sewer lines, fire stations, acquisition of real property, provision of public services such as food banks or homeless shelters. Also eligible are loan programs for private businesses which would then hire low income persons and the program can also pay for housing rehabilitation for low income homeowners or for persons owning rental housing for lower income persons. Mayor Piccolo indicated that in the past the City has received CDBG funds for ADA access projects and pedestrian pathways (sidewalks) leading to income targeted housing, income targeted housing projects and recreation projects. The City has handed out its capital investment plan as part of the regional "Consolidated Plan". This list shows which projects Price City has identified as being needed in the community. It was asked that anyone with questions, comments or suggestions during the hearing please identify themselves by name, before they speak. A project to facilitate funding for improvements for the Housing Authority of Carbon County Buildings was presented by Victor Staley, Director of the Housing Authority of Carbon County and recommended by City staff. The City Recorder will include all names in the minutes and the City would like to specifically respond to all questions and suggestions from the public during the hearing. There were no comments from anyone in attendance. Mayor Piccolo, then opened the meeting up to further suggestions from the audience.

Victor Staley, Housing Authority, presented a project to meet the needs of the Housing Authority's low, non-income and elderly residents. He stated that there is a need to replace the boiler and water heaters for more efficient heating systems and modernization of hot water heaters for the residents to provide safe, warm and appropriate housing conditions. He presented a bid estimate from the local engineering company, Jones and Demille Engineering, for 120 gallon water tanks with 10 year warranties which will be purchased local if possible. Councilmember Miller thanked Mr. Staley for bringing this project forward and for assisting people in need. Nick Tatton stated that the Housing Authority must follow both the CDBG and Price City's purchasing policies when asking for bids and shop local whenever possible and take the lowest bid when it fits the criteria. Nick Tatton stated that the CDBG funding available for eligible projects goes through SEULOG and has approximately \$70-130,000 a year possibly for projects after program set-aside funds are allocated. He stated that this is the first public hearing to take input on possible projects to consider to use the funding. He further stated that Price City does not have any internal city sponsored projects that match the requirements at this time. Price City can act as a contractor to a sub-contractor with an eligible project. He stated that Victor Staley, of The Housing Authority has a project that is eligible to review. If the project is accepted by CDBG then a second public hearing will be scheduled at a later date for public comment on the specific project.

MOTION. Councilmember Miller moved to accept the project presented and to close the public hearing at 5:23 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilmember Clausing and carried.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Mayor Joe L. Piccolo

City Recorder, Laurie Tryon