

Town of Callicoon
PUBLIC HEARING
Monday, June 13, 2022

The Town Board, Town of Callicoon, County of Sullivan, State of New York at the Town Hall, Jeffersonville, NY, held a Public Hearing on Monday, June 13, 2022 at 7:45pm with the following present:

Supervisor T. Bose, Councilman D. Kuebler, Councilman C. Schadt, and Councilman C. Hubert.

Absent: Councilman S. Gaebel.

Also Present:

Kim Klein, Town Clerk

Christine Olsen, Bookkeeper

Kevin Zieres, Code Enforcement Office

Kris Scullion, Highway Superintendent

Marvin Newberg, Town Attorney

Audience: Mark Blauer, Tanya Hahn, Donna Abplanalp, Bruce Ferguson, Peter Lorenzo, Barbara VanBenschoten, Ed Mall, Elizabeth Ennis, and Dillan Hanslmaier.

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Hubert to open the Public Hearing at 7:45PM. Motion Passed – 4 Ayes.

The Published Legal Notice was presented.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to give the public a chance to comment regarding the 2022 CFA Application for Office of Community Renewal Community Development Block Grant Program Funds.

The Supervisor introduced Mark Blauer, the principal of Blauer Associates. Mr. Blauer discussed the types of eligible projects, the sign in sheet, grant ceiling, likely funding available, likely number of competing applications and likely the number of projects that will be funded by the State. Mr. Blauer also discussed how the Small Cities Program benefits low/moderate income which was found in the outcome of the Income Survey done through RCAP for the Town of Callicoon. Mr. Blauer explained that the Town of Callicoon applied in July for the 2021 round and after being denied the Town Supervisor had an exit interview where they gave advice for future applications. Mr. Blauer also noted that the projects that have a consent order and projects with other funding sources or co-funded projects scored well. Mark urged the Town to commit a percentage of the ARPA stimulus money of about 4-5 percent, which would amount to \$45,000.00 as they did last year. Mr. Blauer also noted that the Town did the RFQ process and now has a Preliminary Engineering Report and the Town proactively did an Environmental Review Process for the Application. Mr. Blauer noted that the Town's efforts to make sure it can bid-award-go to contract by the end of June 2023. He also noted that the State would announce the results of the Grant Awards in December.

Mr. Blauer explained that the town is meeting the requirements by holding this public hearing.

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Mr. Blauer suggested that the Town Board open the meeting to public comments.

Public Comment

Public Comments included a question of what will the Town do if they do not get the grant. The Supervisor answered by saying that the Town would apply again.

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Schadt to close the Public Hearing at 8:23pm. Motion Passed – 4 Ayes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Klein
Town Clerk