Town of Callicoon

PUBLIC HEARING Monday, April 10, 2023

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, April 10, 2023 at 7:45pm with the following present:

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

Also Present:

Kim Klein, Town Clerk
Christine Olsen, Bookkeeper
Kris Scullion, Code Enforcement Officer
Michael Haff, Highway Superintendent
Marvin Newberg, Town Attorney

Audience: Mark Blauer, Tanya Hahn, Donna Abplanalp, Bruce Ferguson, Peter Lorenzo, Scott Rubik, Robert Millis and Ed Alvear. Also present: Press-Alex Kielar.

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Schadt to open the Public Hearing at 7:45PM. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

The Published Legal Notice was presented.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to give the public a chance to comment regarding the 2023 CFA Application for Office of Community Renewal Community Development Block Grant Program Funds.

The Supervisor introduced Mark Blauer, the principal of Blauer Associates who is assisting the Town with the grant. Mr. Blauer discussed the requirement of the Public Hearing, the EFC scoring, and other eligible projects. Mark advised that he has been working close with Delaware Engineering on the project. Mark also discussed not having a notice of violation or no other committed funds hurts the application. Mark mentioned the possible due date for the grant which will be the last Friday in July. Mark explained the project and advised the public that he had the Engineering Report available from the prior application which will be revised for the 2023 application. Mark noted that the project is competitive but with each application that is granted it then lowers the number to win the grant this year. 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 Youngsville Water District. Mr. Blauer noted that the Town should revisit the commitment of funds and the SEQRA to try and hit every point possible.

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

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Public Comment

Public Comments included the point system, trying other avenues for grants, and other grant options for the CDBG application.

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Gaebel to close the Public Hearing at 8:02pm. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Klein Town Clerk