JUNE 15, 2016
WAYNESBORO, PA 17268
PUBLIC HEARING RE: 2016 COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

Council President C. Harold Mumma called the hearing of the Waynesboro Borough Council to order at 7:15 p.m. with the following in attendance:

Borough Council Members – Delmos Oldham, Pat Fleagle, Niccole Rolls, C. Harold Mumma and Chad Rooney (Michael Cermak was absent)

Mayor Richard Starliper

Borough Staff – Jason Stains, Borough Manager
Denny Benshoff, Maintenance Superintendent
Dan Sheffler, Zoning-Code Enforcement Officer
Kevin Grubbs, Head of Engineering Services
Sam Wiser, Borough Solicitor (Salzmann Hughes, PC)

Individuals present for the hearing were asked to complete the sign-in sheet being passed around.

President Mumma noted the purpose of this hearing was to provide an opportunity for citizens to comment on the community development and housing needs of the Borough that may be addressed through the use of Community Development Block Grant funds, the prior use of such funds, and a modification of prior year funds.

Whitney Finnstrom (a representative of Mullin and Lonergan Associates, the Borough's Community Development Block Grant consultants) was present to explain the program and answer any questions. He noted that the Borough anticipates receiving a State Community Development Block Grant in FY 2016 in the amount of \$136,941. Community Development Block Grant funds may be used for a variety of activities including, but not limited to: acquisition, demolition, historic preservation, housing rehabilitation, public improvements and economic development. Funds must principally benefit low and moderate income persons.

In the past, the Borough has utilized funds for the installation of handicapped ramps and street improvements; in FY 2015, funds will be utilized for handicapped modifications at at Borough Hall and in the public parks; and a modification was approved recently to redirect 2014 funds to Curb Ramps. The modification for FY 2015 will cancel Demolition of 137 W. Main Street and redirect \$32,877 in funds to Installation of Curb Ramps. Following this first hearing, Council will decide on projects and a budget will be prepared for the second public hearing, which will be held toward the end of August.

Bill Kohler, representing Mainstreet Waynesboro Inc., asked for information regarding deadlines for submitting proposed projects utilizing CDBG funds. Mr. Finnstrom responded that the deadline for submitting applications is September 23rd.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the hearing closed at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda S. Knott Borough Secretary