

THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING LOAN COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

Wednesday, April 10, 2013

Greenville, North Carolina

Present:

- Alice Brewington
- Howard Conner
- Jackie Parker

- Kevin Fuell
- Lovella Perkins
- Melissa Grimes

- R. J. Hemby
- Walt Kitchin

Absent:

- Alice Brewington
- Howard Conner
- Jackie Parker

- Kevin Fuell
- Lovella Perkins
- Melissa Grimes

- R. J. Hemby
- Walt Kitchin

Staff:

- Merrill Flood
- Niki Jones
- Gloria Kesler

- Sylvia Brown
- Betty Moseley
- Kandie Smith (City Council Liaison)

A. Roll Call

B. Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Mr. Conner and seconded by Ms. Grimes to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Old Business

1. Subrecipient Funding Request Recommendation

Ms. Brown stated that at the AHLC meeting in March, the committee scored Boys and Girls Club and the Center for Family Violence Prevention. The committee needs to score Literacy Volunteers of Pitt County and East Carolina University on behalf of the Lucille W. Gorham Intergenerational Community Center. Representatives from both organizations were available to answer any committee questions. After all the agencies have been scored, the secretary will total and average the scores.

Mr. Flood instructed members who had completed their scores in response to staff e-mail to forward those to the secretary.

Mr. Hemby asked for the totals for funds available and funds requested.

Ms. Brown advised the committee that there was \$4,755.00 more in funding requests than was available. Funding available for awards is \$75,000.00.

Ms. Brown stated that for question number one, all committee members should give 20 points because the applications were all for Community Service activities.

Mr. Hemby asked if there were additional funds left over from the previous year.

Mr. Flood replied yes. During the report on the Annual Plan and Consolidated Plan in May, those funds will be addressed. Staff will present a recommendation for expending those funds.

Committee scores and averages were:

- Center for Family Violence Prevention - Family Center: Score 669; Average 83.6
- Literacy Volunteers of Pitt County: Score 655.5; Average 81.9
- ECU Foundation, Inc. – Lucille W. Gorham Intergenerational Community Center: Score 679; Average 84.8
- Boys and Girls Club of Pitt County: Score 648; Average 81

Staff's funding recommendations were:

- Center for Family Violence Prevention - Family Center \$27,645.00
- Literacy Volunteers of Pitt County \$10,075.00
- ECU Foundation, Inc. – Lucille W. Gorham Intergenerational Community Center \$15,000.00
- Boys and Girls Club of Pitt County \$22,280.00

Ms. Grimes asked how staff got the amount proposed for CFVP.

Mr. Flood replied that a number of factors were considered, such as, past spending and agency needs, etc. Certainly the recommendation for funding could have gone another way, but here CFVP was reduced by the amount of overage. The committee can make a different recommendation.

Motion was made by Mr. Conner and seconded by Mr. Parker to accept staff's recommendations for funding awards for each agency. Opposed was Ms. Grimes because the situation with CFVP was outside their control, all agencies should bare the burden. Motion carried.

D. New Business

None

E. Staff Report

Ms. Brown gave a report on the National Community Development Week; which was April 1-6. The theme was "Improved Development today creates a better Greenville tomorrow." Overall, the event was very successful.

The Opening Ceremony was on Wednesday, April 3 at the Thomas Foreman Park.

The Housing Opportunities Fair had an increase in serious inquiries compared to previous fairs. Many participants signed up for the Homeownership Workshop while visiting the fair.

The Tour of the Community Development activities on Friday was cancelled due to scheduling conflicts by multiple expected invitees.

Saturday, approximately 15-20 participants attended the Homeownership Workshop.

Mr. Hemby asked if there were any options for selling the remaining homes on West Fifth Street.

Ms. Brown replied that staff was always seeking homeowners. Persons interested in purchasing a home through the city must attend a homeownership workshop and meet with Ms. Gloria Kesler.

F. Other

Mr. Hemby stated that staff needed to resume committee training workshops. He stated that the newer members could benefit from learning more about the process.

G. Adjournment

Motion was made by Mr. Kitchen and seconded by Mr. Conner to adjourn the AHLC meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Signature on file
R.J. Hemby, Chairman

Signature on file
Sylvia D. Brown, Staff Liaison