

MEETING MINUTES

TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN
COUNTY OF OCEAN
February 1, 2024
9:30 AM

Community Development Block Grant

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL: BAULDERSTONE X LOPARO Absent DODD X

STATEMENT: Pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was properly provided by sending copies of the Notice of Meeting to two newspapers, The Press of Atlantic City and the Asbury Park Press. The Notice was posted at the office of the Township Clerk and on the bulletin board in the Administration Building.

Public Hearing

- ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

- Baltic Avenue – possible drainage

Township Engineer, Jason Worth, discussed this is the second public hearing for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), which is a federally funded grant through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, administered through Ocean County Planning. The CDBG meeting is an opportunity to discuss potential projects, give an opportunity for the public to comment on those projects or make any recommendations themselves.

At the first public hearing the Township Committee discussed projects, including the Baltic Avenue area, as well as the firehouse doors. Township Engineer Worth discussed he looked at both areas and communicated to the Township Administrator that the roadway and drainage conditions on Baltic Avenue is a better area to focus on improvements, especially at the end of the street. The Township can look at other grants to work on the rest of the street. It certainly is in need and fits in with the program objectives for the grant.

Township Engineer Worth discussed the drain is 25 feet beyond the edge of the pavement. Water is not draining to it. The outfall is an old metal pipe. It's life expectancy cannot be much longer. In the past, the Township has looked to extend the pipes further so the sand does not get clogged and to create better flushing. The drain would be moved to the edge of the pavement.

Committeeman Boulderstone inquired if there is going to be enough slope to make this effective.

Township Engineer Worth discussed, yes. The Township would look to extend that pipe into the water a little bit further. As the shoreline goes down, there would be more slope on the pipe.

Committeeman Baulderstone inquired if the pipe is corrugated inside as well as outside.

Township Engineer Worth discussed it is corrugated inside and outside. The old metal pipes are just one wall. The new plastic pipes are corrugated outside but smooth on the inside, so they are dual-walled. That holds sediment and debris a lot more easily and will rust out with the salt water.

All roads North of the out basin, Oregon Avenue, Illinois Avenue and Ocean Avenue have already been completed. The neighborhood South would certainly be a Phase II and a good area to look for a New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) grant. There is one area that is just a concrete chute that heads down into the water. He has not quite seen that before.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Motion to open Public Comment was moved by Committeeman Baulderstone, seconded by Mayor Dodd.

Roll Call: Baulderstone: Yes, Dodd: Yes

No comment from the public.

Motion to close Public Comment was moved by Committeeman Baulderstone, seconded by Mayor Dodd.

Roll Call: Baulderstone: Yes, Dodd: Yes

Motion to approve the meeting minutes: January 16, 2024

Motion to approve was moved by Committeeman Baulderstone, seconded by Mayor Dodd.

Roll Call: Baulderstone: Yes, Dodd: Yes

Resolution 2024-95

Resolution hereby endorsing a submission of the Community Development Block Grant for drainage improvements on Baltic Avenue.

Motion to approve was moved by Committeeman Baulderstone, seconded by Mayor Dodd.

Roll Call: Baulderstone: Yes, Dodd: Yes

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Community Development Block Grant meeting was moved by Committeeman Baulderstone, seconded by Mayor Dodd.

Roll Call: Baulderstone: Yes, Dodd: Yes

Signed and Submitted:

Diane B. Ambrosio, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Date