

VILLAGE OF NORTH UTICA
801 South Clark Street
North Utica, IL 61373
Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees
September 14, 2016
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- I. 6:45 p.m. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
 - 1.) Village Board of Trustees
- III. Public Hearing: NCICG; regarding the Village Application for a CDBG for replacement of the Church St. Water Main
- IV. Discussion and Possible Recommendations by the Village Board
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Adjournment

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At 6:50 pm the meeting was called to Order by Village President Matt Jereb. Present at the Public Hearing was Village Clerk Laurie Gbur and Trustees John Schweickert, Dave Stewart, Ron Pawlak, Joe Bernardoni, John Pappas and Kevin Stewart. Village Attorney Herb Klein and Village Engineer Kevin Heitz were also present.

A sign-up sheet was circulated to document attendance at the Hearing.

Village President Jereb introduced Austin Taylor, North Central Illinois Council of Governments; NCICG.

NCICG is submitting an application on behalf of the Village of North Utica seeking to obtain a CDBG Grant in the amount of \$450,000 to be used toward the replacement of a water main on Church St. The Grant is available from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

Austin explained the process and documentation required for the application including a community survey of the benefit area.

Village Engineer Kevin Heitz provided a summary on the Project Description. He stated that the Church St. area has the oldest water main infrastructure in the community. It was installed in the early 1900's and consists of old cast iron pipes.

Heitz went over some of the issues the current water main is causing for the residents in the Church St. area. There have been issues with taste, odor, black residue on fixtures, rust and the staining of laundry.

Heitz indicated the benefits to replacing the water main including better quality of taste and odor, reduction or elimination of rust and residue, and higher water pressure.

The Village has applied for Grants for water main replacement of old infrastructure on Church St. and on Johnson St. twice before however the application was denied. In 2015, the Village moved forward with the Johnson St. Project and self-funded the water main replacement at a cost of over \$315,000. The Church St. water main consists of over 2,000 ft. of pipe installed between Rt. 178 and Armstrong St. Rock excavation, pavement removal, new hydrants and services to properties and replacement of the pavement and striping will all be included in the project. Estimated cost of the project is approx. \$591,750 including engineering and grant administration fees.

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Austin then stated that there is \$14,850,000 available in grant funds this year. The Village is applying for \$450,000 which is the maximum amount eligible. There will be no residents displaced during the project. 75 % of residents in the target area of Church St. completed the Community Income Survey. Low to Moderate Income benefit as calculated from the completed surveys is 64.86% which is well above the minimum requirement of 51%.

Also discussed was the Village's capital improvement list outlining several projects that would require possible funding within the next 5 years.

Engineer Heitz provided an outline of the list:

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| A. Illinois River Bridge Project participation | \$ 826,000 |
| B. Church St. Water Main Project | \$ 591,750 |
| C. I&M Canal dredging, street and sidewalk projects, water meter system upgrades, sanitary sewer projects, park development and maintenance department resources and equipment purchases, Clark Run Creek flood diversion project | \$ 6,000,000 |

Austin then asked if anyone had any questions about the application or the project. There were no questions from the public. He also stated that anyone that is interested in reviewing the application or having questions about the grant or the project can contact NCICG, located at 613 W. Marquette St., Ottawa, IL 61350

With no other questions, he then stated that NCICG looks forward to submitting the application and working along with the Village on the Church St. Water Main Project.

Village President Jereb thanked Austin and NCICG for their help with the application and that this is an important and much needed improvement to the Village of North Utica and to the residents in the area. The Board agreed.

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Village President Jereb then asked about the timeline to be notified about the status of the application and Austin stated that it could possibly be awarded in January 2017.

With no other discussion, the Hearing was closed at 7:04 pm. Motioned by Trustee Pappas, seconded by Trustee Pawlak.

All in favor

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Lauire A. Gbur
Village Clerk