

**City of Hill City
Public Hearing
January 12, 2016**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Public Hearing was held in the Community Room at City Hall in regard to a Small Cities Development Housing Rehabilitation Grant. Members present: Mayor Larry Baker, Council members Audrey Baratto, Tina Haugen and Nate Rollins. Dave Lange was absent. Mayor Baker called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Nancy Grabko, CFS, was present to explain that Hill City's pre-application to the State Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) made the first cut. 48 proposals were submitted for funding for a total of 27 million dollars. 32 proposals were invited to complete full applications for funding with a total of 17 million dollars to be awarded.

Nancy Grabko explained that the City of Hill City needs to "beef-up" its application for the final submittal.

Currently, the City of Hill City is looking at applying for \$21,000.00 each for 17 owner occupied houses and \$5,000.00 each for 12 HRA rental houses in grant funds. HRA is also committing \$50,000.00, the City of Hill City \$20,000.00, Lakes and Pines has committed some funds and there is approximately \$6,700.00 available from a prior grant towards the total project.

Nancy Grabko said that we need to get more applications submitted than we have currently. A mailing went out in November and another mailing went out the beginning of January to the citizens to submit applications for the rehabilitation of their homes.

Nancy Grabko asked the Council if it was okay for her to write a press release to the Herald Review soliciting more application for the project. The Council felt that this would be a great idea and approved it. The Council also wants something posted on the city's website and to post for applications throughout town.

Nancy Grabko read out loud Resolution #2016-03, A Resolution in Support of a DEED Small Cities Development Program Project.

Motion made by Baker to approve Resolution #2016-03, second by Rollins. Motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Diana McManigle, Clerk/Treasurer

Larry Baker, Mayor