

PUBLIC HEARING – CDBG
HOME REHABILITATION PROJECT

Monday, May 6, 2024 - 9:30 AM

Shaun Gilliland, Chairperson
Jim Monty, Vice-Chairman

Chairman Gilliland called this Public Hearing to order at 9:30 A.M., with the following supervisors in attendance: Matt Brassard, Chris Clark, Robin DeLoria, Shaun Gilliland, Charles Harrington, Jim Monty, Cathleen Reusser, Matt Stanley, Ike Tyler, Meg Wood and Mark Wright. Clayton Barber, Derek Doty, Ken Hughes, Steve McNally and Davina Thurston were previously excused.

Department heads present were: Judy Garrison and Mike Mascarenas.

Also present: Nicole Justice- Green

GILLILLAND: The time is 9:30, we will call this public hearing to order. We will start with the reading of the public hearing notice please.

GARRISON: *Essex County notice of public hearing Community Development Block Grant – Home Rehabilitation Project.*

Please take notice that the Essex County Board of Supervisors will hold and conduct a Public Hearing at the Supervisors' Chambers at the Essex County Government Center, 7551 Court Street, Elizabethtown, New York on the 6th of May, 2024 at 9:30 a.m., on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project focused on home rehabilitation. This initiative, which has successfully rehabilitated four homes in the county, will be discussed. The public is invited to attend to receive updates and provide input on the projects' progress and future plans.

Please take further notice that at said public hearing to be held at the time and place set forth above, the Essex County Board of Supervisors will give a project overview, community impact, displacement and relocation status, community housing needs review and receive public feedback.

Please take further notice that residents of Essex County, especially those with low to moderate incomes, are strongly encourage to attend.

Please take further notice the Essex County Government Center is disability accessible. Should attendees require special accommodations due to disabilities, hearing impairment or English translation needs, please contact Judith Garrison, Clerk of the Board (518) 873-3353 or email: Judith.Garrison@essecountyny.gov at least one week before the hearing date.

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Dated: April 22, 2024*

GILLILLAND: Thank you. I would like to make note, please take further notice at said public hearing we have an update and project overview so I guess Nicole you will provide that for the record.

JUSTICE-GREEN: Thank you all very much. This is a county grant that we were awarded last January for \$451,000. With this grant we were able to help two very low income residents of Essex County at 30% AMI, one moderate income family at 50% AMI and then one low to mid income at 80%. We were able to complete two full lead abatements. We were able to do two age in place modifications and then all four homes were able to receive energy efficiency upgrades. The residents that we were able to assist, three of the homes that we assisted were for elderly residents over the age of 60, two of the residents were disabled and then we also assisted one vulnerable population which was a young woman of childbearing age, she received a full lead abatement in here home. These contracts took place in the Town of Newcomb, two in the Town of Westport and one in the Town of Lewis and were able to undergo monitoring already with CDBG there were no findings and we were able to complete the project fully as I stated on April 26th there will be no funds to be obligated and it was a wonderful opportunity to work with the county and we very much enjoyed that work. Thank you. Any questions?

GILLILLAND: Any questions from the board? I see we have no public.

MONTY: I just want to say the families that you helped one in Lewis and the one that is in Westport is actually Lewis they are just beyond ecstatic in the work that was done. One woman flagged me down the other day to show me again what work was done. She was very pleased so thank you.

MASCARENAS: Yeah and I would just like to say thank you to PRIDE to making sure those monies get in the proper hands. It's been relatively easy for me. I was spending an awful lot of time trying to assist in managing these projects over the last few years and this was relatively easy for the county and that's the way it should be frankly.

GILLILLAND: Anything further? Alright, thank you Nicole. If nothing else, this public hearing is adjourned.

As there was no further discussion to come before this public hearing it was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Garrison, Clerk
Board of Supervisors