

February 2, 2012  
Public Hearing - CIB Grant Application  
Development of Tract Park

Public Hearing began at 7:10 p.m.

Present: Bill Muse, Mayor; Steve Cox, Tom Jerome, Gladys LeFevre, Council Members;  
Judi Davis, Town Clerk.

Absent and excused: Sue Inman, Council Member.

Public Present: Peg Smith and Sergio Femenias, Cheryl Cox, Colleen Thompson.

The mayor introduced the subject of the hearing by giving a short history of why we are applying for a grant to develop the Tract Park grounds, and said that, while a request for funding may be made to the PCIFB for a grant to fund this project, the CIB Board may instead offer to the town the funding in the form of an interest bearing loan which would require repayment. Gladys asked if we would have to accept the loan. We would not.

The mayor then presented in detail an explanation of the money we are requesting. (Constance Lynn, Mary Jane Coombs, and Max and Nichole Shrives came.) The application process was explained, including the fact that we will have to cut back on the scope of the project if the requested funds aren't available. Tom suggested some places he felt we could cut back if necessary. Bill then read the project description and called for comments from the public.

Peg asked if we are given a grant but don't use all the money allotted, can we use the remainder for something else. Our understanding is that we would have to return any money that isn't used specifically for the things outlined in the scope of the project.

Constance asked if the maintenance shed could be designed to include a recycling area? The mayor answered that we would talk about that during the regular meeting, as there may be other, better locations for a recycling center.

Tom reported that, several months ago, Joe Parker offered six to seven loads of fill for the project. It would not be just sand, but would be a gravel mix. He felt that would be helpful if we need it.

There were no more public comments, and the hearing was closed at 7:50 p.m.