

**MINUTES
TOWN OF ISLIP
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 19, 2011
9:30AM**

The meeting was opened at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Christopher Bodkin. Present for the Board of Directors were Joseph DeVincent, Joan Johnson, Steven J. Flotteron and Eric Hofmeister. Present for the CDA were Executive Director Paul Fink, General Counsel Robert T. Fuchs, Affordable Housing Director Robert Kuri and Director of Administrative Services Julia MacGibbon.

1. **MINUTES OF MEETING** – On a motion of Joan Johnson, seconded by Eric Hofmeister, the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held April 21, 2011 were approved by all without change.
2. **AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND THE BUDGET FOR THE HPRP PROGRAM** – On a motion made by Joseph DeVicent, seconded by Joan Johnson and approved by all, authorization was granted to modify the budget for the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program.
3. **AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW EMPLOYEES TO PURCHASE AFLAC INSURANCE** – On a motion made by Steve Flotteron, seconded by Eric Hofmeister and approved by all, authorization was given to the Executive Director to offer employees the opportunity to purchase optional health and indemnity insurance offered by AFLAC at their sole expense.

Discussion:

1. The Executive Director updated the Board on the 2011 and 2012 federal budgets. He said that we have received a 16% cut to CDBG and 12% cut to HOME for 2011, and we expect bigger cuts in the 2012 budget. He said that there was no final news yet from Congress and suggested that letters be sent from the Supervisor to the Congressmen.
2. The Executive Director explained that the town has earmarked \$250,000 of the EECBG for a sub-grant to the CDA to further green homes activities. The concept is to hire a non-profit to perform free energy surveys for up to 800 town residents, and to make recommendations regarding the low cost improvements with a high rate of return. People wishing to perform extensive work would be referred into our NYSERDA program. United Way is preparing a proposal for us to review which would include the surveys and apprentice training for their Youth Build students.
3. As per Steve Flotteron's request, the Executive Director prepared a Central Islip Investment History and Action Plan and attached an extensive package with the following information: the Consolidated Plan for 2010-2014, the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing, the NSP3 Application, the 2010 Code Enforcement Report from the Department of Public Safety Enforcement, and an excerpt from the 2011 Town of Islip Budget.

In the Investment History and Action Plan sheet, the Executive Director showed the unprecedented attention that the Town and CDA have paid to Lowell Avenue and Central Islip over the past 35 years, what we are currently working on, and what we have planned for the next couple of years. He also pointed out that while we will continue to invest our resources in the area, there are many factors which are largely out of our control, including dwindling federal funding, high school taxes, huge inventory of foreclosed and unsold houses, and the overall economy.

4. The Executive Director updated the Board on foreclosures. The data is similar to the last six months, in that lis pendens are still high, but a little lower than a year ago, while foreclosures have dropped 65% from a year ago.
5. Lottery to be scheduled in June
6. Next meeting has been changed from June 16th to June 23rd at 9:30.

There being no further business to come before the Board, on a motion by Steve Flotteron, seconded by Eric Hofmeister, approved by all, the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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