

**VERNON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS  
CDBG PROPOSED USE HEARING  
August 1, 2018**

The Vernon Township Supervisors held a Proposed Use Hearing for the CDBG Program on Wednesday, August 1, 2018 at 7:20 P.M., at the Vernon Township Municipal Building, 16678 McMath Avenue, Meadville, PA 16335.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Donald Maloney, Chairman  
Fritz Snyder, Vice-Chairman  
Gary Wagner, Supervisor  
Greg Smith, Supervisor  
J J Baiera, Supervisor

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Robert Horvat, Manager  
Lori Swavey, Secretary/Treasurer  
Ashley Porter, Engineer  
Ludwig Zarembinski, Road Master  
See attached sign in sheet for all attendees.

The Hearing was called to order by Chairman Maloney at 7:20 PM and turned over to Robert Horvat, Township Manager.

Manager Horvat noted that the Township did an outreach to the public by advertising for this Hearing in the Meadville Tribune and posted at the Vernon Township Building. Attached is a copy of the advertisement.

Manager Horvat reviewed the CDBG Entitlement Program noting the criteria that must be met to utilize the funds including National Objectives, Eligibility and Fundability.

Just about everything is eligible including road improvements, Recreation, Police Vehicles, housing rehab and infrastructure however the fundability requirements are low to mod income benefit, slums and blight and urgent need. 30% of Entitlement Fund may be utilized for Slums and Blight and 20% for Administration. The 2018 allocation is \$104,156.

Manger Horvat is proposing the funds be utilized to improve the accessibility of the township building to meet the ADA requirements. Currently the front entrance is not handicap accessible with the handicap entrance located at the end of the building away from the main hallway housing the offices.

Ashley Porter, Township Engineer, stated that the current entranceway is not within current codes with several deficiency in the walkway. Also noted was the step leading to the doors and the doors themselves, which are heavier that the current standards.

Supervisor Smith questioned if the amount of funds received would cover the estimated construction costs. If additional funding is needed this could become a multi-year projector if excess funds are available, another project could be added to the application.

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**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

No citizens offered comments at this time.

The Crawford County Commissioners will hold the required CDBG Use Hearing, Vernon Township will consider a Resolution for application at the October 4, 2018 supervisors meeting and the County will submit the application on our behalf prior to November 2, 2018.

**ADJOURNMENT**

As there were no further comments, on a **MOTION** by Gary Wagner, a **SECOND** by Greg Smith, all the board voting in favor, the hearing adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Swavey,  
Secretary