

**Public Hearing Meeting Minutes - June 28, 2021 @ 6:50 p.m.  
Modification of 2018 and 2020 CDBG Program Years**

City Council Chambers, City Building, 16 West Scribner Avenue, DuBois, Pennsylvania on Monday, June 28, 2021 @ 6:50 p.m.; Council convened as a Hearing Board in order to hear and receive comments, written and oral, reviews and have discussion on the proposed modification of the FFY 218 and FFY 2020 CDBG program years for the City of DuBois, Pennsylvania. Mayor Walsh opened the meeting at 6:50 p.m. Other Council Members present were: James Aughenbaugh, Diane Bernardo, Shane Dietz, and Shannon Gabriel. Also present were: City Manager, John "Herm" Suplizio; City Engineer/Public Works Director, Chris Nasuti; Redevelopment Authority Director/Assistant Public Works Superintendent, Joe Mitchell; Police Chief, Blaine Clark and City Secretary, Bobbie Shaffer.

Mayor Walsh opened the hearing at 6:55 p.m.

Mayor Walsh promptly turned the meeting over to Redevelopment Authority Director, Joe Mitchell. Director Mitchell proceeded to read from the agenda.

**PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO THE FFY 2018 AND FFY 2020 CDBG  
PROGRAM YEARS FOR THE CITY OF DUBOIS, PENNSYLVANIA**

**AGENDA FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2021**

<b>Opening Remarks:</b>	Welcome to the Public Hearing by Mayor Walsh
<b>Pledge of Allegiance:</b>	Led by Mayor Walsh
<b>Purpose of the Hearing:</b>	<p>City Clerk reads the Public Notice</p> <p>Joe Mitchell states that there is a need to modify the FFY 2018 and FFY 2020 CDBG Program Years to reallocate funds for a new park and recreational facility activity, the Liberty Boulevard Recreational Area, on East DuBois Avenue at Liberty Boulevard.</p> <p>The Stern Baseball Field Improvements will be deleted from the FFY 2018 CDBG activities. The FFY 2018 CDBG funds will be used in conjunction with the FY 2019 and FFY 2020 Program Years' funds for this new recreational facility.</p> <p>The FFY 2020 CDBG Activity for the purchase of a 1,500 gallon pumper fire truck will be deleted and the \$249,982.00 will be reallocated to the Liberty Boulevard Recreation Area.</p> <p>Total project cost is estimated to be \$766,500.00</p>
<b>Comments &amp; Questions:</b>	The general public and anyone else in attendance is asked to comment on the Modification and to ask any questions in regard to the FY 2018 CDBG Program Year.
<b>Adjournment:</b>	Thank the participants for attending.

Director Mitchell then asked for any questions or comments.

Councilwoman Diane Bernardo asked why the pumper truck was deleted. Mitchell stated they are looking for another source of funding for the truck; but currently they need the funds for this project. We must complete the whole project or we will have to return the 2018 funds.

Councilwoman Shannon Gabriel asked if we must use the funds by the end of 2021. Mitchell explained that the 2018 funds were actually received in the summer of 2019; you have three years from the contract date to do construction.

Mayor Walsh informed the audience that the project we are requesting modification of funds for is the beautification of the embankment at the top of the boulevard.

City Manager Suplizio stated that the City feels that the top of the boulevard is a focal point for the City of DuBois.

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Councilman Aughenbaugh stated that the top of the embankment has a lot of space that you could do something with.

As there were no more questions or concerns the meeting was turned back over Mayor Walsh.

Mayor Walsh closed the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

ATTEST: *Gene J. Shaffer*

APPROVED: *John Walsh*