

The Anita City Council held a Public Hearing October 8, 2008, at 7:00 p.m., at City Hall, regarding a community development block grant for a housing program. Mayor Holmes presided and council members, Jamie Stokley, Marcia Hockenberry and Bill Brenton. Absent: Linda Firebaugh and Justin Larsen. Also present were John McCurdy representing SWIPCO, Gene Andrews, Corey Stephenson, Lynn Stephenson, Sherry Karns, and Kim Wendt.

Mayor Holmes opened the public hearing at 7:00p.m. Mayor Holmes invited comments and or questions from the visiting public. A question was asked as to why the housing grant is limited to a target area and not the entire community. Mr. McCurdy stated the requirement of a target area is based on the size of the town. The grant may be offered throughout the entire community in a town smaller in size, however additional criteria considered in the selection process is the potential of growth in the prospective towns. There were no additional questions or comments. Mayor Holmes closed the Public Hearing at 7:20p.m on motion by Hockenberry and seconded by Brenton. Ayes: All.

Motion by Stokley and seconded by Brenton to adopt RESOLUTION 08-13 authorizing Mayor Holmes to make an application to the Iowa Housing Fund Program for assistance to a housing rehabilitation program in the amount of \$381,000 to which the City will contribute \$12,000 for local match. The program will be available throughout the targeted area. Ayes: All.

The Jumpstart Iowa Program offered through the Iowa Finance Authority was also discussed. Individuals that received disaster funds from FEMA or loans from SBA may qualify for additional funds through the program. Additional information and applications are available through SWIPCO or online at the Iowa Finance Authority's website.

Mayor, Mitch Holmes

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