

A called meeting of the Haymarket Town Council was brought to order on Jan. 2, 1979 by Mayor Gilbertson at 8:00 p.m. All Council members were present as Mrs. Gilbertson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the possibility of applying to HUD for a Community Block Grant.

John Sloper addressed the Council first with the idea of applying for funds to finance the sewage project. Eligible communities can get as much as \$400,000. This program is a 100% grant. After qualifying there are no strings attached as long as the money is used for the stated purpose.

Dr. Jim May, a consultant, explained more of the details of the pre-application process.

Community Block Grants are available for the purpose of upgrading housing which includes eliminating health hazards as are present in Haymarket.

The pre-application process includes two public hearings to advise Town citizens of the total scope of the program. A citizen participation committee must be established. This is a group of Town citizens who will coordinate the application.

Final application is a formality which requires a statement of compliance.

In order to be eligible 80% of the Town's population must be earning no more than \$18,600. The deadline for application is Feb. 6, 1979.

Mr. Melton made a motion to apply to HUD for the CBG, Miss Smith seconded.

Mr. Melton motioned to give Mrs. Gilbertson authority to sign all pre-application forms necessary to start the procedure.

Mr. Orndoff motioned to have John Sloper's office place notice in a local newspaper advertising two public hearings for Jan. 11 and Jan. 15 at 7:30.

All motions passed unanimously.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved;

Nancy W. Sharman  
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Clerk

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Mayor