

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Dylan Mulfinger

Subject: City Council Housing Committee Minutes

Date: 12/16/2019

Present: Warren Fisk, LouAnn Milks, Dylan Mulfinger, Jay Shekleton, Brett DeVore

Mulfinger presented the current area for the CDBG grant. Mulfinger explained that Upper Explorerland is hoping to expand the area to get more applicants.

Devore questioned how the area was set in the initial grant.

Fisk stated that the area was set to match the housing action plan the city completed.

Milks wanted to see the area expand to catch north Frederick in hopes some of our most visible homes could get much needed help.

Fisk felt that dropping south of three would help those neighborhoods.

Mulfinger explained that he could work on the map and have it ready for council.

A discussion occurred on why people work in Oelwein and do not live in Oelwein.

Mulfinger asked what the committee wanted to work on next year and explained a full load is coming for the Community Development Department:

- Acquiring and working on 37 properties
- Rental inspection for 1/3 of the community
- Implementation of the city's revolving loan fund for housing improvements
- Enforcement of the city code for vacant and dilapidated structures

Fisk wanted a meeting with the landlords because he feels they are needed to make Oelwein housing better.

Devore planned on providing the requests at the next Hub City Landlord Association.

The meeting ended at 6:05