

The City Council of the City of Mattoon held a Special City Council meeting in the Council Chambers of City Hall on May 07, 2020.

Mayor Gover presided and called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Mayor Gover led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members of the Council answered roll call physically present: YEA Commissioner Sandra Graven, YEA Commissioner Rick Hall (Commissioner Hall attended by virtual means per Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07.), YEA Commissioner Preston Owen, and YEA Mayor Tim Gover. Commissioner Dave Cox was absent.

Also physically present were City personnel: City Administrator Kyle Gill, City Attorney Daniel C. Jones, Public Works Director Dean Barber (audio) and City Clerk Susan O'Brien.

PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Gover opened the floor for Public comments with no response from the Public.

PUBLIC HEARING – GRANTS

Downstate Small Business Stabilization Program through the Community Development Block Group funds offered by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

Mayor Gover opened the City of Mattoon Public Hearing on the Downstate Small Business Stabilization Program through the Community Development Block Group funds offered by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity at 4:35 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mr. Kelly Lockhart, Executive Director of Coles County Regional Planning and Development Commission, explained how the City of Mattoon was applying for the Downstate Small Business Stabilization Program through the Community Development Block Group funds offered by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, due to the COVID-19 outbreak and its impact on small businesses. The State is making available a total of \$20,000,000 for the Downstate Small Business Stabilization Program.

The City would be applying for six grants in Round Two for:

1. Village VII, Inc. d/b/a Alamo Steakhouse and Saloon in the amount of \$25,000 of assistance, where the grant funds will be used for personnel, occupancy, inventory, professional fees, and merchant account fees. This grant will benefit the City of Mattoon and will assist the business to stay open and retain employees during this difficult time.
2. J&L Hub, Inc. d/b/a Hubbart's Downtown Diner in the amount of \$25,000 of assistance, where the grant funds will be used for personnel, fringe benefits, occupancy and utilities, telecommunications and internet, inventory, supplies, equipment, and insurance. This grant will benefit the City of Mattoon and will assist the business to stay open and to retain employees during this difficult time.
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The City of Mattoon has provided a detailed prioritized list of community development and housing needs in the community as 1. Road and sidewalk repairs and improvements, 2. Storm sewer improvements, 3. Commercial and Industrial Development expansion and retainment, 4. Housing rehabilitation projects, and 5. Sanitary system improvements. The proposed grants will assist each of the businesses in re-opening successfully once deemed appropriate.

Mayor Gover inquired as to the DCEO's results of the grants with Director Lockhart estimating within the next few weeks. Mayor Gover opened the floor for questions from the Council and Public. With no further questions or comments Mayor Gover closed the Downstate Small Business Stabilization Program through the Community Development Block Group funds offered by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Public Hearing at 4:40 p.m.

Mayor Gover noted the approval of the resolutions would occur at the next meeting.

Commissioner Graven seconded by Commissioner Owen moved to adjourn at 4:41 p.m.

Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, NAY Commissioner Owen, YEA Mayor Gover. Commissioner Cox was absent.

/s/Susan J. O'Brien
City Clerk

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF COLES) SS
CITY OF MATTOON)

CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC HEARING

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly selected, qualified and acting City Clerk of the City of Mattoon, Coles County, Illinois (the “**Municipality**”), and as such official I am the keeper of the records and files of the Municipality and of its City Council (the “**Corporate Authorities**”).

I do further certify that the following minutes constitutes a full, true and complete excerpt from the proceedings of the special meeting of the Corporate Authorities held on the 7th day of May, 2020:

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I do further certify that the Public Hearing of the Corporate Authorities was performed openly, and was preceded by a public recital of the nature of the matter being considered and such other information as would inform the public of the nature of the business being conducted, that such meeting was held at a specified time and place convenient to the public, that the agenda for such meeting was duly posted at the office of City Clerk at least 48 hours before the meeting, that notice of such meeting was duly given to all of the news media requesting such notice, that such meeting was called and held in strict compliance with the provisions of the open meeting laws of the State of Illinois, as amended, and the Illinois Municipal Code, as amended, and that the Corporate Authorities have complied with all of the applicable provisions of such open meeting laws and such Code and their procedural rules in the adoption of such ordinance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my official signature and the seal of the City of Mattoon, Illinois, this 7th day of May, 2020.

(SEAL)

/s/Susan J. O'Brien
City Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING - Downstate Small Business Stabilization Program through the Community Development Block Group funds offered by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity – ATTENDANCE SHEET

In-person (physically) Attendance:

Mayor Tim Gover
Commissioner Sandra Graven
Commissioner Preston Owen
City Administrator Kyle Gill
City Attorney Dan C. Jones
City Clerk Susan O'Brien

Virtual Attendance:

Commissioner Rick Hall
Public Works Director Dean Barber
Kelly Lockhart – CCRP-DC
Jackie Galletano – CCRP-DC
Ed Dowd – Mattoon Chamber of Commerce
Rex Dukeman – Elliott Furniture
Mikki Rebollo – Tacos Amigos
Don Dow – The Ice House of Mattoon
Jujhar Kaile – Hampton Inn
Kasey Considine – Coles Together
Lisa Hubbartt – J&L Hub, Inc.
Ken Keating – Village VII, Inc.