MINUTES OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY
COMMISSION MEETING

DATE: March 11, 2009
TIME: 5:30 p.m.
PLACE: Housing Conference Room, Suite 312, Historic Federal Building
       350 W. 6TH Street, Dubuque, Iowa  52001

Chairperson Gukeisen called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. following staff assurance of compliance with Iowa Open Meeting Law.

Commissioners Present: Mike Gukeisen Theresa Caldwell Paula Maloy, SVM
                        Janice Craddieth Ann Michalski Tom Wainwright

Commissioners Absent: Hilary Stubben David Shaw

Staff Present:         David Harris Kris Neyen Joleen Patterson
                       Jerelyn O’Connor Gil Spence

Public Present:       Beverly Berna

Certification of Minutes – December 10 and 18, 2008
Commissioner Michalski moved to approve the minutes of December 10, 2008 and December 18, 2008, as submitted. Commissioner Maloy seconded. Roll call. All present in favor. Motion passed.

Correspondence / Public Input
None.

Old Business
Oath of Office for Tom Wainwright and Hilary Stubben
Commissioner Wainwright signed his Oath of Office and signature obtained by Chairperson Gukeisen. Commissioner Stubben was not present to sign.

New Business
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Recovery Funds
Review possible uses for additional $328,269 of CDBG funds from the 2009 Recovery Act
David Harris stated that HUD has not given specifics on how this money has to be spent. He stated that he was looking for suggestions from the Commission on how they would like to see the money utilized. After some lengthy discussion, the consensus from the Commission was to add funding to Historic loan, cp2 and Homeowner Programs. David did state HUD was encouraging Grantees to obligate the funds within 120 days of receiving them. More information will be given to the Commission as received.
Neighborhood Grants

Review and Approve Neighborhood Grants

Jerelyn O’Connor reviewed the three applications received for the Large Neighborhood Grants program. She stated that the committee members, Commissioner Maloy, Assistant Planner Wally Wernimont, Community Development Specialist Aggie Tauke and herself, reviewed and recommend the following: Historic Bluffs Neighborhood Association in the amount of $5,000 for landscaping of three public areas (Avon Park, 12th Street green Area and 11th Street Steps); North End Neighborhood Association in the amount of $4,950 for the Summer Youth and Family Neighborhood Engagement Project, and Valley View Neighborhood Association in the amount of $2,900 for the annual Neighborhood Clean Up. Jerelyn also stated that all available funding will not be spent and requested the application period remain open for other neighborhood associations to apply. Commissioner Maloy moved to approve as recommended by the Committee. Commissioner Craddieth seconded. Roll call. All present in favor. Motion passed.

Information Sharing

Included in the Commission packet was the 2nd quarter CDBG report for on performance. No comments were made.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Caldwell moved to adjourn. Commissioner Michalski seconded. Motion passed by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Minutes taken by:

Kris Neyen
Rehabilitation Specialist

Respectfully submitted by:

David Harris
Department Director