

VILLAGE OF BREWSTER

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 26, 2011

Minutes

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster is holding a Special Meeting at 7:30 PM on October 26, 2011 at Village Hall, 50 Main Street, Brewster, New York 10509.

Attendees:

Mayor: James Schoenig

Deputy Mayor and Trustee: Christine Piccini

Trustees; Tom Boissonnault, Terri Stockburger, Mary Bryde

Village Engineer:

Village Counsel:

Clerk & Treasurer: Peter Hansen

Village Police:

Absent:

John Folchetti

Anthony Molé,

John Del Gardo

**Pledge to flag.**

Notation of Exits

Mayor Schoenig motions to open the Special Meeting at 7:30, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.

1. Public hearing - CDBG Microenterprise Grant Funding – Mayor Schoenig motions to open the Public Hearing, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.
    - 1.1. Deputy Mayor Piccini provides additional information on the application and program. The application deadline is October 31. The award notification may be in December 2011, subject to change. Any funds if awarded must be used within 24 months and all improvements must be completed within the same time frame. An equal amount of funds must be awarded between existing businesses and startups. The new business must develop up to 5 new low to moderate income jobs.
    - 1.2. New business is defined as within six months of the beginning of business initial operation. Satellite businesses and relocated businesses will probably not qualify as new. There is an “anti-pirating” rule in the process which means existing businesses who move from one locale to Brewster will not qualify as new business.
    - 1.3. The money has to be spent up front by the businesses and then will be reimbursed if expenses are qualified. 10% of the amount awarded must be borne by the business owner/applicant.
    - 1.4. A committee will be established to evaluate awards. The committee is made up of Jack Gress, Trustee Mary Bryde, George Joiner (SCORE) and Deputy Mayor Piccini.
    - 1.5. Up to \$40,000 can be allotted per applicant but 10% of the amount awarded must be put up by the applicant.
    - 1.6. Trustee Stockburger asks if an existing business on Main Street applies and intends to change the operation and create new jobs. Deputy Mayor Piccini says the business would probably be categorized as an existing business. But there must be an equal amount of funds distributed to new businesses as there is to existing businesses. The job creation requirements must still be fulfilled.
- Mayor Schoenig motions to close the Public Hearing, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.
2. Mayor Schoenig motions to adjourn the Special Meeting, Trustee Stockburger 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.