

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
City Council of the City of Bath, Maine
Wednesday, January 17, 2007 6:00 pm
Council Chambers, Bath City Hall

Present: Councilors Hinds, Omo, Mulligan, Rogers, Verville, Pagurko, Winglass and Chairman Wyman

Also in attendance was the City Manager – William Giroux and City Clerk - Mary White.

Chairman Wyman led the Pledge of Allegiance and City Clerk White called the Roll.

I. Public Hearing: Regarding Mateo’s Hacienda and Marnee’s Cookies CDBG FY 2007 Economic Development Applications seeking matching funding to assist with expansion plans.

Chairman Wyman opened the public hearing.

Al Smith, CDBG Coordinator, stated that Mateo’s Hacienda would not be continuing the application process.

Mr. Smith gave a brief overview of the process to date with Marnee’s Cookies and introduced Marnee Robinson, owner of the business.

Ms. Robinson stated that the business is run out of her home and that she is now supplying cookies in 33 states and 5 countries consisting of 15 wholesale customers, 16 corporate customers, 3 art center customers and 15 non-profit affiliations. She stated that she needs to relocate as the business has outgrown the home facility and she needs to hire possibly 7 employees in order to keep up with the demand for her product. In order for her to bring this business to its full potential, she is in need of this CDBG grant.

Ms. Robinson gave Council a flyer detailing the present business and the estimates of what was needed to expand the business.

The Council gave a unanimous vote of approval for to Ms. Robinson to go forward with the CDBG grant process.

The meeting adjourned to Workshop in the Basement Conference Room regarding “Pay As You Throw” at 6:15 PM with a motion from Councilor Hinds and a second from Councilor Pagurko. All in favor.

Attest:

Mary J. White, City Clerk