

Public Hearing – September 29, 2025

The Graham County Board of Commissioners met Monday, September 29, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. for a public hearing in the Graham County Community Building located at 196 Knight Street Robbinsville, NC. Board present: Meggan Smith, Lynn Cody, Connie Orr and Natasha Williams. Board absent: Jacob Nelms. Also present: Manager Brady Cody, and Clerk Kim Crisp.

1. Chair Smith called the public hearing to order.
2. Chair Smith asks Manager Cody to proceed. Manager Cody stated that notice is hereby given that the Graham County Board of Commissioners anticipates applying to the NC Department of Commerce for a 2025 Community Development Block Grant – Neighborhood Revitalization (CDBG-NR). The County is seeking to apply for up to \$5,000,000.00 of the \$12,200,000.00 of the FEMA Declared Hurricane Helene Disaster Area Funding under this grant for Housing Projects. Information on the grant requirements, including benefits to low to moderate income persons, eligible activities, and other program requirements, will be available in the administration office. Graham County is committed to providing all citizens with equal access to the CDBG-NR Program, regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, familial status, or disability, and encourages the opportunity to provide oral and written comments on the County’s use of CDBG Funds. In accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this hearing should contact County Manager Brady Cody at 828.479.7983. Translation and/or interpretation services may be available upon request. If you have Limited English Proficiency (LEP), please contact County Manager Brady Cody at 828.479.7983.
3. Manager Cody stated that the grant will allow for rehabilitation, new home construction, reconstruction, and replacement for low to moderate income for single or multiple family members.
4. Manager Cody stated that the county will hold a second public hearing on October 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. and the final public hearing on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 p.m.
5. Manager Cody stated that there is no county match, but leverage is encouraged. Manager Cody stated that administration costs are available for this funding.
6. Manager Cody asks for public comment. Commissioner Cody stated that he hopes that the county will receive the funding. Gerald Beasley, a member of the public, stated that he hoped the commissioners would do a great job with the funding.
7. Chair Smith asks for a motion to close out the public hearing. Commissioner Orr made the motion to close the public hearing. Commissioner Williams seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.

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Meggan Smith, Chair

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Lynn Cody, Vice-Chairman

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Jacob Nelms, Member

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Connie Orr, Member

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Natasha Williams, Member

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kim Crisp, Clerk to the Board