

American Rescue Plan Act Ad-Hoc Committee
October 18, 2021 – Regular Meeting
Zoom Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Dave Koji, Vice Chair Greg Barden, Marge Mlodzinski, Jack Faski, Stan Soby, Chuck Maynard at 5:04 pm.

OTHERS PRESENT: Board of Selectmen Liaison Rosemary Coyle, Finance Department Liaison Keri Rowley, Planning and Zoning Liaison Matt Bordeaux.

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dave Koji called this Regular Meeting to order at 5:01 pm.

2. REVIEW MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 7, 2021

Minutes of the October 7, 2021, meeting were submitted for review and approval.

Motion by: G. Barden

to approve the minutes of October 7, 2021, as read.

Second by: J. Faski.

Vote: Abstaining: J. Faski, M. Mlodzinski, S. Soby (absent from meeting).
Approved.

C. Maynard arrived at this point in the agenda.

3. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Motion by: G. Barden

to add as Item 3a. Resignation of C. Brown.

Second by: J. Faski.

Vote: Unanimous to approve.

3.a Resignation of C. Brown.

C. Brown submitted his letter of resignation and it has been accepted by the Board of Selectmen.

Chair Koji introduced new member Stan Soby who was sworn in Friday, October 15, 2021, welcoming him to the committee.

4. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

No comments were received.

5. DISCUSS PROCESS AND ADDRESS TEAM QUESTIONS

Chair Koji reviewed the process and addressed questions and comments from the members. J. Faski stated he is a landlord and will recuse himself from the discussion when his tenant's application is reviewed. The words 'professional estimate' will be requested on the application to achieve a more definitive cost.

6. REVIEW RECEIVED ARPA APPLICATIONS

The first application from Kathleen Yu was reviewed. This application had four projects and each must have an individual application. Some items needed further clarification.

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In the approval requirements set forth, the process requires a yes or no response for the request on the first two required assessment fields. As this request received one 'recusal' and five 'no' responses, the request is not denied but remains pending for resubmitted applications.

7. DISCUSS ARPA PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

The information for the public to submit an application is on the Town website, an article will be in the The Rivereast News Bulletin and in the school digital 'backpacks'.

8. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Kevin Byrne, member of the Norton Park Committee appreciated the opportunity to see the first application and the process of review. He asked about the dates for spending the money. K. Rowley said the monies must be encumbered by 12/2024 and spent by 12/2026.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: G. Barden
to adjourn this meeting

Second by: C. Maynard.

Vote: Unanimous to adjourn.

Chair Koji adjourned this meeting at 6:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane Slade
Clerk