American Rescue Plan Act Ad-Hoc Committee April 8, 2022 – Special Meeting

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Dave Koji, Vice Chair Greg Barden, Marge Mlodzinski, Chuck Maynard.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Stan Soby.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** First Selectman Andreas Bisbikos, Board of Selectmen Liaison Rosemary Coyle, Consultants Jack Reagan and Stacy Farber from UHY Certified Public Accountants.

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

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

## 2. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Kate Yu voiced disappointment in a member of the Board of Selectmen for comments expressed on social media. K. Yu commended Chair Koji and the committee for the work they have done.

Gerrie Transue spoke in favor of helping the businesses but is not sure how effective the gift cards will be.

Deanna Bouchard-Sanchez commented on the establishment of the ARPA Ad-Hoc Committee, about expanding a business versus recovery for a business and about the number of businesses who are not aware of the program.

# 3. ARPA COMMITTEE FINAL RECOMMENDATION VOTE FOR APPLICABLE APPLICATIONS. AFTER FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS, APPLICATIONS TO BE PASSED TO BOS FOR FINAL FUNDING DECISION.

The Parks & Recreation Department has submitted three updated applications due to price changes, for a final review. The playground equipment for \$498,900 was voted on unanimously by those present and recommended by the ARPA Committee to be sent to the Board of Selectmen for a final funding decision.

The Strategic Plan in the amount of \$10,000 was voted on unanimously by those present and recommended by the ARPA Committee to be sent to the Board of Selectmen for a final funding decision.

The Pickleball Court for \$44,800 was voted on unanimously by those present and recommended by the ARPA Committee to be sent to the Board of Selectmen for a final funding decision. Votes are recorded on the applications and available on the town website.

First Selectman Bisbikos said these applications will be on the May 5, 2022, Board of Selectmen agenda and asked that the applications be attached to the minutes of this ARPA meeting.

### 4. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

D. Bouchard-Sanchez said she supported these three applications but questioned the vote process

#### 5. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: G. Barden

to adjourn.

Second by: C. Maynard.

Unanimous to adjourn.

Chair Koji adjourned this Special Meeting at 5:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane Slade Clerk



Municipal Department	ONE application per submitter up to \$50K (UHY recommended amount)	UHY Reviewed/Recommended Status	ARPA Committee Recommendation Status						
			Greg	Marge	Chuck	Stan	Jack	Dave	ARPA Committee Final Vote Green = recommended Red = NOT recommended
Parks and Rec - Playground (Tiffany Quinn)	Up to \$498,900	Reviewed/Recommended	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Greg: Yes Marge: Yes Chuck: Yes Stan: NA Jack: NA Dave: Yes
Parks and Rec - Pickleball courts (Tiffany Quinn)	\$44,800	Reviewed/Recommended	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Greg: Yes Marge: Yes Chuck: Yes Stan: NA Jack: NA Dave: Yes
Parks and Rec - Strategic Plan (Tiffany Quinn)	\$10,000	Reviewed/Recommended	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Approved in 2021	Greg: Yes Marge: Yes Chuck: Yes Stan: NA Jack: NA Dave: Yes