# Board of Selectmen ARPA Grants Subcommittee Special Meeting — Town Hall June 25, 2021 — 9:00 AM MINUTES

**Members Present:** First Selectman Kevin Cwikla, Selectmen Kathleen Smith and Betsy Petrie-McComber **Others Present:** Valerie Belles (Senior Accountant)

## 1. Call to order

K. Cwikla called the meeting of the ARPA Grants Subcommittee to order at 9:15 AM.

# 2. Discuss receipt of ARPA Grant Funds

V. Belles stated that the Town had received the first tranche of funding from the American Rescue Plan Act in the amount of \$1,057,135.45. A second tranche of the same amount will come around June 2022.

# 3. Discuss possible eligible uses of ARPA Grant Funds

V. Belles distributed the Interim Final Rule from the Department of Treasury regarding use of ARPA funds along with FAQs on usage. She discussed the lost revenue provision in the Interim Final Rule which provides a calculation which municipalities can use to calculate how much revenue was "lost" due to the pandemic. The Interim Final Rule provides "broad latitude" for municipalities to spend money taken in under the lost revenue provision.

The subcommittee members discussed eligible uses such as fiber optic connections for Town facilities, installation of HVAC for facilities, renovation of the Old Firehouse, and aid to social services and potential household assistance.

The ARPA Subcommittee agreed to meet again on July 14.

# 4. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Kevin T. Cwikla First Selectman