

TOWN OF BROOKLYN

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ARPA Committee Special Meeting Minutes Thursday, April 18, 2024, 5:30 pm Clifford B. Green Memorial Center Conference Room and via Google Meet

Present: Austin Tanner, Lou Brodeur, Dave Lee, Joe Voccio via Google Meet, Lyn

Lacharite, Ken Dykstra, Lisa Mileski, Recording Secretary

Also Present: Sandy Brodeur, Bill Skene

Via Google Meet: Steve Breen, Sharon Loughlin

1. Call to Order: A. Tanner called the meeting to order at 5:35 p pm

- 2. Approve Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2024: L. Brodeur made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 18, 2024 meeting; D. Lee seconded the motion; and the meeting minutes were approved.
- 3. Public Comment: None
- 4. Discussion
 - a. Responses to letter for additional requests
 - b. Procedures to allocate remaining funds to additional allocated requests

Five new requests came in totaling approximately \$500,000.00.

- -After discussion, L. Lacharite made a motion to accept and review the request from the Brooklyn Business Association for \$3,000.00 to help increase active paid memberships; D. Lee seconded; and the motion passed.
- -After discussion, D. Lee made a motion to accept and review the request from Mortlake Fire Company for an additional \$81,258.00 to cover the additional cost for the ambulance recently purchased by the department for review; L. Lacharite seconded; and the motion passed.
- -After discussion, D. Lee made a motion to accept and review the request from the Windham County 4-H Foundation for \$15,000.00 for repairs to the dam supporting their pond; L. Lacharite seconded; and the motion passed.
- -After discussion, D. Lee made a motion to accept and review the requests from the Brooklyn Public Schools for funds for a telephone system replacement and for funds to go towards the HVAC project; J. Voccio seconded; and the motion passed.
- -After discussion, D. Lee made a motion to accept and review the request from G. Bryant for \$21,000.00 for equipment to ensure the efficiency of our Network Infrastructure; L. Lacharite seconded; and the motion passed.
- -D. Lee made a motion to approve G. Bryant's request for \$21,000.00 for equipment to ensure the efficiency of our Network Infrastructure; L. Lacharite seconded; and the motion passed.
- -D. Lee made a motion to approve the request from Mortlake Fire Company for an additional \$81,258.00 to cover the additional cost for the ambulance recently purchased by the department; L. Lacharite seconded; and the motion passed.
- -D. Lee made a motion to approve the request from the Brooklyn Business Association for \$3,000.00 to help increase active paid memberships; L. Lacharite seconded; and the motion passed.

- -D. Lee made a motion to deny the request from the Windham County 4-H Foundation for \$15,000.00 for repairs to the dam supporting their pond; L. Lacharite seconded; and the motion passed.
- -D. Lee made a motion to allocate the remaining ARPA funds to the Brooklyn Public Schools for the HVAC project; L. Lacharite seconded; and the motion passed.
- 5. Public Comment: S. Brodeur made public comment.
- 6. Adjourn: L. Brodeur made a motion to adjourn; D. Lee seconded; and the meeting was adjourned at 6:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted Lisa Mileski, Recording Secretary