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**MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**American Rescue Ad Hoc Committee**  
**April 4, 2022 5:30 p.m. Assembly Room**

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Mayor Joe Kilduff.  
**Present were: Members -** Mayor Joe Kilduff, Board of Finance representative Vicky Carey, Board of Finance Chairman Jim Kilduff, Councilwoman Roxanne McCann.  
  
**Guests –** Keith Golnik, Commander of the American Legion Post 20, Post 20 members, Capt. Benecchi, Chief Kraskicky, and other members of the public.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings:**  
**MOTION:** by Commissioner Jim Kilduff to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2022 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Vicky Carey, motion passed with one abstention.
4. **Public Comment:** Mayor Kilduff commented that Matt Tellier has resigned from this committee.
5. **Presentation by Commander Keith Golnik of American Legion Post 20:** Commander Golnik gave a history of the American Legion Post 20 and the 4 Pillars of the American Legion. He explained how the Post was affected by COVID and post COVID regulations. He is requesting ARPA funds for a kitchen that can support a community in need, a generator, patio heaters, upstairs meeting room, and parking lot – see attached presentation packet. Commissioner Jim Kilduff asked if there were multiple quotes for the kitchen project. Commander Golnik stated that there are for as many parts of the project as he was able to obtain. Commissioner Vicky Carey asked if there was a quote for finishing the upstairs room. Commander Golnik stated that an approximate cost would be \$20,000 - \$25,000. To make it ADA compliant they would add a chair lift. He would like to be able to get a better quote together and come back at a later time. Commissioner Jim Kilduff asked if the Post was financially sound enough to continue staying open if they were to receive ARPA funds. Commander stated they were and Councilwoman McCann (also a Post member) vouched for the Post's finances. Some of the quotes have timeframes on them – the hood system and appliances are expected to increase in price in the near future.

Mike Darrell, Sr. Vice-Commander of Post 20, 65 Harwinton Ave. – spoke in favor of the projects. They really would like to continue serving the town efficiently.

Mayor Kilduff briefly reviewed the ARPA funding process.

**6. General Discussion on the American Rescue Plan:**

- Mayor Kilduff explained that this item is for those who would like to present a proposal or comment on a previously discussed project.

- Capt. Benecchi spoke on why the NexGen computer system has become a little time sensitive. It is almost \$8,000 cheaper per year. LCD needs guidance on what this committee is thinking when they go into negotiations.
- Councilwoman McCann – the quote for air system at Fire Headquarters is \$6,270.69 including tax and permit.
- Chief Krasicky passed out a quote for an enclosed trailer which the Police Department would use. Sgt. Cesar Beiros explained how the trailer will be beneficial. See attached memo and quote. 7x14 is \$8,795 and 6x12 is \$5,995. The lettering (decal or wrap) is approximately \$600. Commissioner Carey asked how this fits in with the ARPA funds requirement. Mayor Kilduff explained that there are still restrictions but they are loosened greatly. Mayor Kilduff has all projects verified by NVCOG before they go to Town Council. Commissioner Carey asked why this wasn't brought forth in Capital Improvements and if something happens to this trailer, will the department ask for a replacement. Sgt. Beiros believes that this will be a one-time fee. Chief Krasicky stated that it came about after the deadline for Capitals.
- Commissioner Kilduff commented on the difference between large cities and small towns use of the funds. Small towns tend to use it toward infrastructure while large cities have been tending to use it for government operations.
- Public Works Director Wiegert – Correction to previous request for ARPA funds: the cost of the excavator is actually \$180,000 so he has removed the Grapple attachment from the request. According to Mayor Kilduff, it will stay within the cap the Town Council set for that project.

**7. Discuss and Take Action on Recommendations to Send to Board of Finance and Town Council For Approval:**

Councilman Green could not make tonight's meeting and requested through Mayor Kilduff that the committee hold off on Parks and Recreation projects until he could be here to discuss.

**MOTION:** to use the ARPA funds up \$166,000 for the NexGen all-inclusive computer program for the Police Department by Commissioner Carey, seconded by Commissioner Jim Kilduff. A roll call vote was taken: Vicky – Yes, Jim – Yes, Roxanne - Yes Motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** to use the ARPA funds up to \$305,000 for the replacement of communications tower at Fall Mountain and Town Hall by Commissioner Carey, seconded by Jim Kilduff. Discussion: The tower at Town Hall would not be a new one; it's being fixed. A Roll call vote was taken: Vicky – Yes, Jim – Yes, Roxanne - Yes Motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** to use ARPA funds to upgrade the buildings at WPCA by Commissioner Vicky Carey, seconded by Councilwoman McCann. Discussion: Commissioner Jim Kilduff would like current, firm numbers. With no objection from the Commission, Commissioner Carey withdrew the motion. Commissioners agreed to invite Mr. Andrews of WPCA to the next meeting to discuss repair work estimates.

**MOTION:** to use the ARPA funds up to \$90,000 for the kitchen at the American Legion Post 20 provided the Legion follows all the required financial submissions by Councilwoman McCann, seconded by Commissioner Carey. A roll call vote was taken: Vicky – Yes, Jim – Yes, Roxanne - Yes Motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** to allocate up to \$34,000 of the ARPA funds for two Lucas Chest Compression systems for PVAC by Commissioner Carey, seconded by Councilwoman McCann. A roll call vote was taken: Vicky – Yes, Jim – Yes, Roxanne - Yes Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioners would like to see solid numbers from the Food Pantry on their generator request and commercial freezer.

Mayor Kilduff stated that the new, proposed Police station was not put on the state's bonding agenda this past week. He does not feel comfortable allocating ARPA funds for the design phase until the town has reassurance from the state that they will bonding funding for Plymouth.

**8. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** by Councilwoman McCann to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Carey and motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Erica Cabiya".

Erica Cabiya  
Recording Secretary