



Special Town Meeting
March 26, 2022
10:00 am
Middlefield Town Hall
Minutes

Present: Selectboard: Chair Ann Marie Visconti, Curt Robie and Tonya Santaniello

Moderator: Joseph Kearns Town Clerk: Suzanne C. Lemieux

Moderator Joseph Kearns opened the meeting at 10:00am with a quorum present of 65 registered voters and warrant that was duly posted.

Residents registered with Assistant Town Clerk Lois Leonardo-Bell upon entrance.

Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer and use funds in the amount of \$175,000.00 from Federal ARPA funding, Free Cash and the Stabilization Account to make repairs to the Senior Center with \$79,808.00 to come from Federal ARPA funding, \$42,053.62 to come from Free Cash and \$53,138.38 to come from the Stabilization Account. Funds will be used to pay the architectural cost of developing plans and specifications for the work in the amount of \$12,900 and the remaining funding of \$162,100 will be used to fund repair work. Any funding not spent in FY 2022 will roll into FY2023. Any funds remaining after completion of the project will be closed out to the undesignated fund balance at the close of FY 2023, or take any other action thereto. Article 1 was motioned and 2nd. Curt Robie described the condition of the building and the need for repairs. Brett Tibeault, the house doctor reiterated the details. Discussion ensued. The Selectboard has the authority to distribute the ARPA funding as needed Marin Laurel-Paine made a motion to leave \$12,900 out of the picture as under Selectmen's purview and vote now to authorize \$162,100 for repair and do that on a paper ballot. Craker 2nd. After discussion Craker rescinded her 2nd. Motion was discarded. The Moderator re-read each vote Vote #1 was called for by a raise of hands. Vote passed by hand raising. Vote # 2 called for an Aye or Nay vote. Vote passed. A 2/3rd vote was called for #3 Vote passed by hand raising.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will transfer the sum of \$2,000 from Free Cash to cover additional anticipated costs for workers compensation and vehicle insurance coverage or take any other action thereto. Article 2 was motioned and 2nd. Duane Pease stated that he had one bill for \$1300 for worker's comp based on payroll, \$500 quote for the ATV which he is disputing and two vehicles coming on before the 30th of June. Brief discussion. Vote was called by a raise of hands. Article #2 passed unanimously.

A motion is made and seconded to dissolve town meeting 10:20. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne C. Lemieux Town Clerk