

TOWN OF WAITSFIELD, VERMONT
ARPA Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Members Present: Chris Badger, Charlie Goodman, Jon Jamieson, Leo Laferriere, Mac Rood, Christine Sullivan, Brian Voigt

Staff Present: Annie Decker-Dell'Isola, Town Administrator

Others Present: Anthony Italiano (MRVTV)

I. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Mac Rood. The meeting was held in person at the Waitsfield Town Offices and remotely via Zoom.

II. Regular Business.

1. Agenda additions, removals, or adjustments per 1 V.S.A. § 312 (d) (3) (A)

No revisions were requested, Annie noted that one new application had been received.

2. Review and evaluate project submittals

There were no objections to including the late submission for Mad Marathon funding in this round of potential projects.

Annie explained that the Selectboard will be considering any requests from Town commissions and committees as part of their budget review process; those projects will not be included in the ARPA Committee's evaluations. She also noted that the Board had suggested a total of expenditure in the \$100K - \$150K range for the current round of funding.

The committee members proceeded to complete the evaluation rubric, evaluating each project according to the categories determined at earlier meetings.

There was some discussion regarding how best to proceed with requests from community-wide organizations; it was decided that there would likely not be a contingency based upon funding required to be shared by other towns, but agreed that full funding would likely not be recommended for projects where a large percentage of the project cost has been requested from Waitsfield but no request has been made to other Valley towns.

Annie will contact the organizations in the latter position and ask if they are willing to accept partial funding, and will also confirm with surrounding towns what their timeline is for approving and disseminating funds for community-wide requests.

3. Review and approve minutes

The minutes of November 2, 2022 will be reviewed at the January 4 meeting.

4. Other Business

It was decided to meet next on January 4, 2023.

III. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Chamberlin, Recording Secretary