

Town of Essex
Special Town Meeting
July 21, 2021
Meeting Room A

Selectman, Norman Needleman called the Town Meeting to order at 4:32 PM. Selectmen Libby and Glowac were in attendance. Finance Director Tracey Celentano was also in attendance. Bruce Glowac was elected Moderator. The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting. There were approximately fourteen in person plus one zoom person for fifteen (15) people in attendance.

RESOLVED: To consent and approve the acceptance of the American Rescue Plan Act Funds as recommended and approved by the Board of Finance.

SECONDED: Stacia Libby

Yea 11

Nay 0

RESOLVED: To consent and approve appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 to be allocated from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for the Fire Department for the coaching, training, team building and counseling due to the impact of the Covid pandemic.

SECONDED: Norman Needleman

Yea 11

Nay 0

RESOLVED: To consent and approve appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 to be allocated from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for the installation and grounding of new antennas on the Essex Town Hall building.

SECONDED: Stacia Libby

Yea 11

Nay 0

RESOLVED: To consent and approve appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for the purchase of a 2021 Ford Utility Interceptor vehicle and all necessary computer, radio and lighting equipment. If ARPA funds are deemed ineligible, an appropriation from the Police Vehicle Sinking Funds will be utilized.

SECONDED: Norman Needleman

An opportunity arose for an alternate source of funding despite the Town Meeting approval on June 16, 2021 for \$65,000 and an additional amount of \$10,000 for a total vehicle cost not to exceed \$75,000.

Yea 11

Nay 0

RESOLVED: To consent and approve appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 from the Police Vehicle Sinking Fund, contingent upon non-eligibility of ARPA funds, for the purchase of a new police vehicle and all necessary equipment as recommended and approved by the Board of Finance.

SECONDED: Stacia Libby

Yea 11

Nay 0

MOTION TO CLOSE: Stacia Libby

SECONDED: Bruce Glowac

Meeting adjourned at 4:41 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Joel Marzi
Town Clerk