

West Haven ARPA COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting

Board of Education Meeting Room 2nd floor

355 Main Street

West Haven, CT 06516

Tuesday, July 5, 2022, at 5:45 PM

Call to Order 5:48 PM - Chairman Ken Carney

Committee Members:

- Ken Carney - Chairman
- Mike Last – Co-Chairman
- Neil Cavallaro – West Haven School Superintendent
- Dwight Knowles – Secretary
- Iris Diaz
- Ken Ferris
- Chris Barstein
- Rohan Smith
- Gary Perdo

Absent

- Mike Last Co-Chairman
- Neil Cavallaro

In Attendance

- Peter V. Massaro – Chairman, 6th District City Council
- David T. Grudberg, Attorney for ARPA Committee
- Doug Colter – Grants Coordinator
- Keegan P. French – UHY CPA
- Jack Reagan – UHY CPA

1. Approval of Agenda for July 5, 2022
 - 1.1. No propose changes to Agenda
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes for May 3, 2022
 - 2.1. Item 3.1.1. Has been corrected to reflect the change from \$144,00 to \$210,000
 - 2.2. Motion to approve – Gary Perdo
 - 2.3. Second – Iris Diaz
3. Chairman’s Report
 - 3.1. Introduction of Jack Reagan Managing Director of UHY, CPA and their responsibility
 - 3.1.1. Reporting
 - 3.1.2. Web Site development and reporting to the community
 - 3.1.3. Assigning a UHY representative three days a week
 - 3.1.4. UHY reviewing each of the tasks with David, giving the committee each is approved for the ARPA funds
 - 3.2. Determination of ARPA funds for EMS Premium/Hazard pay, Arts Center and Police retention
 - 3.2.1. Jack agreed that ARPA funds are acceptable for ARPA Funds
 - 3.2.2. Some additional layer of documentation will be needed
 - 3.2.3. UHY will provide a letter to the ARPA committee verifying that this is allowed under the ARPA rules.

3.3. Review Council Resolutions

3.3.1. Food Bank Support Fund advertised in the West Haven Voice (Free Donation by the Voice)

3.3.1.1. Living Word Ministries DBA Dream Center of West Haven

3.3.1.2. Westies Care Inc.

3.3.1.3. Savin Rock Communities

3.3.2. Chairman Carney suggested that two committee members be assigned to go and review these locations and procedures and report back to committee. Chairman Carney suggested that we extend the deadline for this application

3.3.2.1. Chris Barstein was selected for his background in the food industry with Rohan Smith and Ken Ferris

3.3.3. Pocket Parks, trees, and open space

3.3.3.1. Discussion to increase Ernie Chiarelli the Sidewalk Inspector 12.5 hr./week as Project Manager and hire an assistant sidewalk inspector at 17.5 hours per week, specifically for Pocket Parks and open spaces.

3.3.3.1.1. Motion to fund Ernie Chiarelli the sidewalk inspector to 12.5 hours per week and 17.5 hours for an assistant sidewalk inspector

3.3.3.1.1.1. Motion to fund – Dwight Knowles

3.3.3.1.1.2. Second – Rohan Smith

3.3.3.1.1.3. No Discussion

3.3.3.1.1.4. Approved unanimously

3.3.4. Johnson Senior Center

3.3.4.1. The Chairman had a meeting at the center and toured the first floor of Noble community center.

3.3.4.1.1. We want to move the seniors from the top floor down a floor

3.3.4.1.2. We will have to refurbish the elevator

3.3.4.1.3. We will have to paint everything

3.3.4.1.4. Put in new flooring

3.3.4.1.5. Put in some new cabinets

3.3.4.1.6. The architect is on board and will be sending over an estimate

3.3.4.1.7. We have contacted Titan Energy Co. They think there is a huge opportunity to change every light in the Noble Community Center to LED

3.3.5. Child Development Center

3.3.5.1. Antinozzi is doing the Roof design now. The asbestos testing has been completed. As soon as the spec comes in, we will put it out to bid.

3.3.6. DPW Infrastructure Paving and Improvements

3.3.6.1. The council approve a 2M budget

3.3.7. Storm Water Management

3.3.7.1. 3M budget has been approved

3.3.7.2. The council has approved \$560,000 for the Vac Truck is out to bid

3.3.7.3. We will have to hire an Engineer to canvas the city, and to come up with a cost estimate to take care of our worse storm water issues and give us a report that we can use as justification to apply for grant money. This will have to be put out to bid. We will need a RFB for a on call storm water contractor

3.3.7.4. Recycling and Re-use center Helm St

3.3.7.4.1. Antinozzi has been chosen as the architect, if needed. The city is putting out to be for an Engineer

3.3.8. Child Pedestrian Safety

- 3.3.8.1. The Sidewalk inspector is moving quickly in replacing sidewalks, Washington School is already done. Expected completion this summer
- 3.3.9. Broadband Access Library program
 - 3.3.9.1. A meeting with the library, they have a program, The Navigator program They identify families that cannot afford internet or computers and provide them with three classes, a laptop, and Wi-Fi device for one year.
- 3.3.10. Municipal Building Improvements – WINDOWS
 - 3.3.10.1. Doug Colter met with the Hoffman representative, and it is moving forward
- 3.3.11. Fire Districts Capitol Project Expense
 - 3.3.11.1. Increase the ventilation
 - 3.3.11.2. Increasing their footprint within their firehouse
 - 3.3.11.3. Separate sleeping quarters
- 3.3.12. Traffic Monitoring Cameras
 - 3.3.12.1. Chairman Carney met with the IT police Department representative and Sargent Thomson at the beach
 - 3.3.12.1.1. Putting in a DVR at the bath house
 - 3.3.12.1.2. Running fiber from the bath house in both directions
 - 3.3.12.1.3. Replacing the emergency call stations (some are broken) with a new call station with fiber. Installing poles with 5 or 6 cameras per pole
 - 3.3.12.1.4. We are working on a RFQ for an Engineer to design that. Then we will put it out to bid
- 3.3.13. Police Personnel Retention Funding
 - 3.3.13.1. Keegan P. French – UHY CPA needs paperwork from finance to proceed with this
- 3.3.14. Children’s Camp Grant/summer employment fund
 - 3.3.14.1. Due to timing, Camps were already booked
 - 3.3.14.2. We offered them summer part time jobs
 - 3.3.14.3. The city will have to provide to Keegan P. French necessary reporting documents
- 3.3.15. CARES Act Financial Management
 - 3.3.15.1. The money to pay the paid professionals
- 3.3.16. Painter Park Field House
 - 3.3.16.1. The committee must pick an architect,
 - 3.3.16.2. Tests must be performed
 - 3.3.16.3. Tabled for next month’s meeting
- 4. Ernie Chiarelli, Sidewalk Inspector
 - 4.1. Not available for this meeting
- 5. New Business
 - 5.1. Marginal Drive Park
 - 5.1.1. This park is owned by New Haven
- 6. Motion to Adjourn
 - Motion to Adjourn – Dwight Knowles
 - Second – Gary Perdo
 - Adjourn