

# Town of Simsbury

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# American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Work Group

August 5, 2021 10:30am Main Meeting Room, Town Hall, 933 Hopmeadow Street

### SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

## Call to Order

- 1) Approval of Minutes July 29, 2021
- 2) Discussion of process and potential uses for ARPA funds
- 3) Next steps and meeting date

Adjournment



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Tuesday, July 29, 2021 Main Meeting Room, Town Hall, 933 Hopmeadow Street

#### MINUTES - DRAFT

**Members Present**: Wendy Mackstutis, Sean Askham **Staff Present**: Amy Meriwether, Melissa Appleby

The meeting was called to order at 10:10am.

### 1) Approval of Minutes – July 20, 2021

The minutes of July 20, 2021 were approved by consensus.

#### 2) Discussion of process and potential uses for ARPA funds

Ms. Mackstutis provided a recap of the discussion from the last meeting regarding the need for a framework for spending the ARPA funds. There was a brief discussion on the concept of allocating a percentage of the funds to each category. Ms. Mackstutis and Mr. Askham agreed that they should provide an update to the Board of Selectmen at their next meeting regarding the conceptual framework and the proposed process. The Board of Finance will also be consulted, particularly as it relates to potential impacts on the capital budget.

The group discussed the items on the CNR plan and Town and School facilities master plan that would be eligible for ARPA funding. The work group will be looking for feedback from the Board of Selectmen as to whether they support spending ARPA funds on those items in order to free up space to focus on other recovery-related items that may not meet the ARPA guidance.

The group also discussed the need for public involvement in the process.

#### 3) Next steps and meeting date

Staff will assist the work group with the draft presentation for the Board of Selectmen meeting on August 9. The group set August 5, 2021 at 10:30am as the next work group meeting date.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10am

Respectfully Submitted, Melissa Appleby Deputy Town Manager