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SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT 06070

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SIMSBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN Regular Meeting – January 22, 2024 – 6:00 P.M. Main Meeting Room, Simsbury Town Hall *Meeting May Be Held in a Virtual Only Format if Inclement Weather is Expected on Day of Meeting*

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC AUDIENCE

- Participants can address the Board of Selectmen in person at the meeting
- Email <u>townmanager@simsbury-ct.gov</u> by noon on Monday, January 22, 2024 to register to address the Board of Selectmen live through Zoom
- Written comments can be emailed to <u>townmanager@simsbury-ct.gov</u>. Written comments will not be read into the record, but forwarded to all Selectmen via email

PRESENTATION

a) Interval House

FIRST SELECTWOMAN'S REPORT

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

SELECTMEN LIAISON AND SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Personnel
- b) Finance
- c) Public Safety
- d) Board of Education

CONSENT AGENDA

SELECTMEN ACTION

- a) Tax Refund Requests
- b) Simsbury Junior Woman's Club Grant Application
- c) Discussion on a Housing Advisory Committee

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

- a) Reappointment of Deborah Glass to the Aging & Disability Commission
- b) Reappointment of Bob Beinstein to the Simsbury Sustainability Committee
- c) Reappointments to the Economic Development Commission

REVIEW OF MINUTES

a) January 8, 2024 Regular Meeting

COMMUNICATIONS

a) Letter to SVAA re: Board of Selectmen Questions for Simsbury Volunteer Ambulance Association, dated January 18, 2024

EXECUTIVE SESSION

a) Pursuant to General Statutes Section 1-200(6)(B): Pending Litigation

ADJOURN



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA SUBMISSION FORM

- 1. <u>Title of Submission:</u> Interval House Presentation
- 2. <u>Date of Board Meeting</u>: January 22, 2024
- 3. <u>Individual or Entity Making the Submission</u>: Marc Nelson, Town Manager
- 4. <u>Action Requested of the Board of Selectmen</u>: No action requested; this presentation is informational.
- 5. <u>Summary of Submission:</u> Mary-Jane Foster from Interval House will be presenting to the Board on their history and their services offered in Simsbury.
- 6. <u>Financial Impact:</u> None
- 7. <u>Description of Documents Included with Submission:</u> None



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA SUBMISSION FORM

- 1. <u>Title of Submission:</u> Tax Refund Requests
- 2. Date of Board Meeting: January 22, 2024
- 3. <u>Individual or Entity Making the Submission</u>: Marc Nelson, Town Manager; Colleen O'Connor, Tax Collector

4. Action Requested of the Board of Selectmen:

If the Board of Selectmen supports approving the tax refunds as presented, the following motion is in order:

Move, effective January 22, 2024, to approve the presented tax refunds in the amount of \$13,906.47, and authorize Town Manager, Marc Nelson, to execute the tax refunds.

5. Summary of Submission:

Tax refunds need to be issued from time to time for motor vehicles, real property, and personal property. Some of the most common reasons tax refunds need to be issued for motor vehicles include: sale of the vehicle; the vehicle is destroyed; the vehicle is donated; the owner has moved out of state; or, the owner has successfully appealed the taxes. Real estate refunds are typically due to the fact that during the sale or refinancing of a property, both a bank and an attorney's office have paid taxes owed, resulting in an overpayment to the Town. Overpayments of personal property taxes are rare; often overpayments of personal property are due to a person or entity forgetting that they paid in full in July, then also sending the January installment.

In a legal opinion from the Town Attorney dated May 22, 2001, he stated that CGS §12-129 "requires that all applications for tax refunds be referred to the Board (of Selectmen) for their consideration and action." Once approved by the Board of Selectmen, the Town Manager will sign off on tax refund applications. As a reminder, the Tax Collector's Office is responsible for collecting revenue for the Fire District pursuant to Special Act #264 of the Legislature in 1945. However, tax refunds for the Fire District are not under the jurisdiction of nor approved by the Board of Selectmen and are therefore not included in the requested tax refunds presented.

6. Financial Impact:

The aggregate amount of all tax refunds as presented is \$13,906.47. The attachment dated January 22, 2024 has a detailed listing of all requested tax refunds.

7. Description of Documents Included with Submission:

a) Requested Tax Refunds, dated January 22, 2024

REQUESTED TAX REFUNDS JANUARY

	BILL NUMBER	TAX	FIRE	INTEREST	TOTAL
List 2021					
Hsu, Daniel E	21-04-81444	\$468.41	\$14.43		\$482.84
Total 2021		\$468.41	\$14.43	\$0.00	\$482.84
List 2022					
Corelogic - Lemoine L & S	22-01-4600	\$5,759.18			\$5,759.18
Corelogic - Barker B & V	22-01-469	\$973.38			\$973.38
Corelogic - Blascyk, W	22-01-733	\$1,271.79			\$1,271.79
Lecostaouec, Jean-Francois & Julia	22-01-4555	\$20.00			\$20.00
McVane, Bellbuono, Kuzmak, et al	22-01-733	\$82.53			\$82.53
Pascucci W M & Necker D A Tr	22-01-5783	\$20.00			\$20.00
Ruark Properties LLC	22-01-6957	\$1,300.30	\$42.19		\$1,342.49
Morawski Cleaning LLC	22-02-40633	\$13.05			\$13.05
Numarks Associates LLC	22-02-40676	\$7.65			\$7.65
Vincent Sports Shop LLC	22-02-40989	\$211.74			\$211.74
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Acar Leasing LTD	22-03-50109	\$997.95	\$32.38		\$1,030.33
CCAP Auto Lease LTD	22-03-52980	\$283.76	\$9.21		\$292.97
Chesanek, Petra J	22-03-53182	\$9.89	\$0.32		\$10.21
Honda Lease Trust	22-03-58461	\$361.64	\$11.73		\$373.37
OMeara Dorothy D	22-03-64242	\$642.76			\$642.76
OMeara, Maxwell B	22-03-64243	\$64.56			\$64.56
Rounseville, Neal	22-03-66483	\$503.07			\$503.07
Smith, Robert D	22-03-67996	\$74.46			\$74.46
Tong Ying	22-03-69145	\$59.82	\$1.94		\$61.76
Toyota Lease Trust	22-03-69219	\$466.49	\$15.14		\$481.63
Toyota Lease Trust	22-03-69332	\$109.88	\$3.56		\$113.44
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Bud Behling Leasing Inc	22-04-80384	\$75.76			\$75.76
Jahrstorfer, Julia B	22-04-81457	\$128.40			\$128.40
Total 2022		\$13,438.06	\$116.47	\$0.00	\$13,554.53
TOTAL 2021		\$468.41	\$14.43	\$0.00	\$482.84
TOTAL 2022		\$13,438.06	\$116.47	\$0.00	\$13,554.53
TOTAL ALL YEARS		\$13,906.47	\$130.90	\$0.00	\$14,037.37



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA SUBMISSION FORM

- 1. <u>Title of Submission:</u> Simsbury Junior Woman's Club Grant Application
- 2. <u>Date of Board Meeting</u>: January 22, 2024
- Individual or Entity Making the Submission: Marc Nelson, Town Manager; Kristen Formanek, Director of Community and Social Services

4. Action Requested of the Board of Selectmen:

If the Board of Selectmen supports applying for a grant to aid Senior Center initiatives, the following motion is in order:

Move, effective January 22, 2024, to submit a grant application to the Simsbury Junior Woman's Club and to authorize Town Manager, Marc Nelson to execute the grant application.

In the event that the grant is awarded, the following additional motions are in order:

Move, to accept the grant and to authorize Town Manager, Marc Nelson, to execute all documents related to the grant award.

Further move, to appropriate the grant's funds, if awarded, and recommend said appropriation to the Board of Finance.

5. Summary of Submission:

The Simsbury Junior Woman's Club is proud to provide financial support each year to many local organizations in need and to support the mission of these organizations. Grant applications are due by February 29th, 2024 and the anticipated value of the grant is \$500.

The Senior Center is applying for these grant funds to offset the cost of a veteran's picnic. This event will be held on a Saturday in an effort to make it more accessible to younger veterans and their families. The picnic is part of our ongoing outreach to connect veterans, their family members, and other supporters with information and solutions to issues affecting their lives as well as an opportunity to connect with those that share similar experiences.

6. Financial Impact:

If the grant is awarded in full, the amount would be \$500.

7. <u>Description of Documents Included with Submission</u>: a) Simsbury Junior Woman's Club Grant Application

Grant Application

Apply for a grant from Simsbury Junior Woman's Club for up to \$500.

Grant applications are due February 29, 2024.

Grants will be awarded in Spring 2024!

Organization

Simsbury Senior Center

<u>Name</u>

Kathleen Marschall

<u>Email</u>

kmarschall@simsbury-ct.gov

<u>Phone</u>

(860) 658-3273

<u>Address</u>

754 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

What is your mission?

The mission of the Simsbury Senior Center is to provide a community focal point where older adults come together for programs that reflect their experience and skills, respond to their diverse needs and interests, enhance their dignity, support their independence, and encourage their involvement in and with the Center and their community. The Simsbury Senior Center welcomes all members of the diverse and growing older adult population, (age 50 and over), their families and friends.

What areas do you serve?

Primarily Simsbury, The Farmington Valley, Bloomfield, Windsor.

What are your funding sources?

General Fund and user fees.

Amount requested (maximum \$500)

\$250



What are some goals of your organization? How will this grant money make a wider, positive impact on the community? How will the funds be used?

Our goal is to continue offering important services and programs to older adults that can help them stay healthy and independent.

The grant funds will be used to offset the cost of a veteran's picnic. This event will be held on a Saturday in an effort to make it more accessible to younger veterans and their families.

The picnic is part of our ongoing outreach to connect veterans, their family members, and other supporters with information and solutions to issues affecting their lives as well as an opportunity to connect with those that share similar experiences.

We are partnering with the American Legion, Tomalonis-Hall Post 84 to offer this event.

Please click to submit your application to SJWC



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA SUBMISSION FORM

- 1. <u>Title of Submission:</u> Discussion on a Housing Advisory Committee
- 2. <u>Date of Board Meeting</u>: January 22, 2024
- 3. <u>Individual or Entity Making the Submission</u>: Marc Nelson, Town Manager
- 4. Action Requested of the Board of Selectmen:

This item is meant to be a discussion between Board of Selectmen members on their thoughts and ideas on establishing a Housing Advisory Committee.

5. Summary of Submission:

The purpose of tonight's discussion is for Board of Selectmen members to discuss their thoughts on establishing a Housing Advisory Committee. Some items for the Board to discuss are potential charges for the committee, the committee makeup, and if there should be a timeline set for the committee to present a final product back to the Board of Selectmen.

The Town Manager's Office staff will compile discussion points from tonight into a draft resolution for the Housing Advisory Committee. The Town Manager's Office and Director of Planning will work together to assist the Housing Advisory Committee.

6. Financial Impact:

None

7. <u>Description of Documents Included with Submission</u>: None



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA SUBMISSION FORM

1. <u>Title of Submission:</u>

Reappointment of Deborah Glass to the Aging & Disability Commission

- 2. <u>Date of Board Meeting</u>: January 22, 2024
- 3. <u>Individual or Entity Making the Submission</u>: Marc Nelson, Town Manager; Trish Munroe, Town Clerk
- 4. Action Requested of the Board of Selectmen:

If the Board of Selectmen supports the recommended reappointment, the following motion is in order:

Move, effective January 22, 2024, to reappoint Deborah Glass as an Alternate Member of the Aging & Disability Commission with a term ending January 1, 2026.

5. Summary of Submission:

The Town Clerk has received a recommendation from the Republican Town Committee to reappoint Deborah Glass (U) to the Aging & Disability Commission for the term ending January 1, 2026.

- 6. <u>Financial Impact</u>: None
- 7. <u>Description of Documents Included with Submission:</u> None



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA SUBMISSION FORM

- 1. <u>Title of Submission:</u> Reappointment of Bob Beinstein to the Simsbury Sustainability Committee
- 2. Date of Board Meeting: January 22, 2024
- 3. <u>Individual or Entity Making the Submission</u>: Marc Nelson, Town Manager; Trish Munroe, Town Clerk
- 4. Action Requested of the Board of Selectmen:

If the Board of Selectmen supports the recommended reappointment, the following motion is in order:

Move, effective January 22, 2024, to reappoint Bob Beinstein as a Regular At-Large Member of the Simsbury Sustainability Committee with a term ending December 1, 2025.

5. Summary of Submission:

The Town Clerk has received a recommendation from the Democratic Town Committee to reappoint Bob Beinstein (D) to the Simsbury Sustainability Committee for the term ending December 1, 2025.

6. Financial Impact:

None

7. <u>Description of Documents Included with Submission:</u> None



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA SUBMISSION FORM

- 1. <u>Title of Submission:</u> Reappointments to the Economic Development Commission
- 2. <u>Date of Board Meeting</u>: January 22, 2024
- 3. <u>Individual or Entity Making the Submission</u>: Marc Nelson, Town Manager
- 4. Action Requested of the Board of Selectmen:

If the Board of Selectmen supports the reappointments of Matthew Arthur, Tom Earl and Charmaine Seavy to the Economic Development Commission, the following motion is in order:

Move to reappoint Matthew Arthur, Tom Earl and Charmaine Seavy to the Economic Development Commission for three-year terms expiring on October 10, 2026 retroactive to October 10, 2023.

5. Summary of Submission:

The Economic Development Commission was created by the Board of Selectmen at their August 13, 2018 meeting to promote and develop the economic resources of the Town and conduct research into economic conditions and trends as well as collaborate with the community to promote economic development.

Mr. Arthur (R), Mr. Earl (D) and Ms. Seavy (D) have served on the EDC since August 2023, February 2019 and August 2019 respectively. They have expressed a desire to continue serving on the EDC.

6. Financial Impact:

None

7. <u>Description of Documents Included with Submission</u>: None

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CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Main Meeting Room of the Simsbury Town Offices. Present were: First Selectman Wendy Mackstutis; Deputy First Selectman Steven Antonio; Board members Kevin Beal; Diana Yeisley; Heather Goetz; and Curtis Looney. Others in attendance included Town Manager Marc Nelson; Acting Deputy Town Manager Tom Fitzgerald; Culture, Parks and Recreation Director Tom Tyburski; and Director of Public Works/Town Engineer Tom Roy and other interested parties.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC AUDIENCE

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Joan Coe, 26 Whitcomb Drive, spoke about the December 18, 2023, meeting and the rules of decorum. She feels these rules violate the Constitution's First Amendment. She also spoke about possible conflicts of interest from Attorney DeCrescenzo. Ms. Coe also spoke about Chief Boulter's rebuttal in the December 18, 2023, meeting, the Ambulance Association, and other issues.

Sally Reiger, 9 Stodmore Road, said she is a representative of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Scenic Committee, which was established in 2019. She said they are part of the National Wild and Scenic River System. She said their mission is to protect and enhance the outstanding resource for which streams were originally designated. She went through the two important aspects of their committee and how they can be of help to the Town. She also handed out their annual report and told the Town to take advantage of their committee.

FIRST SELECTMAN REPORT

First Selectman, Wendy Mackstutis, reviewed her First Selectman's report.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Town Manager, Marc Nelson, reviewed his Town Manager's report.

SELECTMEN LIAISON AND SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) **Personnel** Ms. Mackstutis said they hope to meet this week depending on information received and schedules.
- b) Finance Ms. Mackstutis said the Committee is waiting for her to set the date.
- c) Public Safety there was no report at this time.

d) Board of Education – Ms. Yeisley said there will be a Special Education presentation tomorrow and she will have the report at the next meeting.

Ms. Yeisley also said she met with the Performing Arts Center Chairman and that will be a great working relationship. There will be further discussion on the State bond that was received.

Mr. Beal noted that there is an American Revolutionary Exhibit at the Library for everyone to enjoy. There is a personal connection to this remembrance.

Mr. Antonio had no reports at this time.

Ms. Mackstutis said the Hometown Heroes invitations went out. She needed to choose someone from the opposite party to be on that committee so Ms. Goetz will take the place of Mr. Looney.

Ms. Goetz had no reports at this time.

Mr. Looney said he attended the Zoning meeting where there was discussion on the changes in the zoning rules. Public input needs to be in by January 22^{nd,} and they then have 65 days to make a decision.

Mr. Looney said the Police Commission said they are down 8 officers and that is why their overtime is high They elected a new Chair and new Clerk and increased the part-time records clerk hours.

Mr. Looney also noted that the ABC House is having their 50th Anniversary celebration on April 20th from 6-9 p.m. at the High School.

Mr. Looney said the Simsbury High School inducted Tom Vincent to their Hall of Fame.

CONSENT AGENDA

After Ms. Mackstutis noted the changes in the new agenda rules, Mr. Antonio made a motion to move items a – d and Appointments and Resignations into the Consent Agenda and out of Selectmen Action. Ms. Yeisley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

a) Donation from the Simsbury Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Axillary

- b) Donation from Archdiocese of Hartford
- c) Donation from Garrity Reclaiming, Inc.
- d) Tax Refund Requests
- a) Appointments and Resignations to Various Boards and Commissions

SELECTMEN ACTION

a) 2024 Simsbury Farms Golf Course Fee Schedule

There was some discussion on resident and non-resident fees. Mr. Tyburski noted that they are trying to generate profit for their budget items. There was also some discussion on numbers of players before COVID, during COVID and now. Mr. Tyburski noted that COVID actually re-introduced golf to the community, and they are trying to keep those numbers up. There was also discussion on wages and supplies. They are always trying to make improvements at the course. They can also use the Simsbury Farms Revenue Fund if need to.

Ms. Goetz made a motion, effective January 8, 2024, to approve the 2024 fee schedule for the Simsbury Farms Golf Course as presented. Mr. Beal seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

b) 2024 Aquatic Facility and Day Camp Fee Schedule

Mr. Tyburski said the biggest driver for Aquatics is seasonal workers. Also, there is an increase in minimum wages. There was discussion on having enough staff and how they obtain them. There was discussion on passes also. The lifeguards need to be certified and need to be 15 years old by the time they take the exam.

Ms. Yeisley made a motion, effective January 8, 2024, to approve the Culture, Parks, and Recreation Department 2024 fee schedule for the Aquatic Facilities and Day Camp Programs as presented. Ms. Goetz seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

c) Donation from Dial-a-Ride Bus to the Fire District

Mr. Roy said this bus has 161,000 miles on it. The best bid at auction was \$3,200. The Fire District said they have a use for this bus and would like it. This would save us a lot of effort in trying to sell the bus, so his recommendation is to donate it to them so it can be of service to them and the community.

After some discussion, Mr. Beal made a motion, effective January 8, 2024, to accept the transfer and donate a decommissioned shuttle bus from the Department of Public Works to the Simsbury Fire District. Mr. Antonio seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

d) American Rescue Plan Act Grant Application for Senior Center Improvements

Mr. Roy said this grant would be a little under \$60,000. We already have the large HVAC project at Eno Memorial Hall on the books which was going to be funded with cash. We would apply for the grant but then use it other priorities from Social Services.

Mr. Beal made a motion to submit the grant application to the Department of Aging and Disability Services and to authorize Town Manager, Marc Nelson to execute the grant application. Ms. Yeisley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

After discussion, Ms. Mackstutis made a motion, effective January 8, 2024, to submit a grant application to the Department of Aging and Disability is awarded, the following motion is in order: To accept the grant and to authorize Town Manager, Marc Nelson, to execute all documents related to the grant award. Mr. Antonio seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

e) Discussion of Simsbury Volunteer Ambulance Association Presentation from December 18, 2023

Ms. Mackstutis said there was a meeting between the Board of Finance, Simsbury Volunteer Ambulance Association and the Board of Selectmen on December 19th to discuss options and solutions for the future of the

Ambulance Association. She said the Board of Selectmen approved \$150,000 from ARPA funding for 2022-23 to supplement the second ambulance.

After discussion, Ms. Mackstutis said she would like Mr. Nelson and Mr. Fitzgerald to come up with a list of questions to present to the SVAA.

There was no motion at this time.

Ms. Mackstutis said there will not be Executive Session tonight as the Town Attorney is unable to attend.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

a) Regular Meeting Minutes of December 18, 2023

Mr. Beal made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 18, 2023 for discussion. Ms. Mackstutis seconded the motion.

Mr. Beal said Public Audience was omitted from the format. Also, on page 2 under Liaison reports: take out the word rule and change it with support a sustainability coordinator position to bridge the gap.

Ms. Mackstutis had a correction on page 4 under the vote for Ford Harrison. The vote was Mr. Beal and Ms. Mackstutis were for and Ms. Yeisley, Mr. Antonio, Ms. Goetz and Mr. Looney were against.

With no further changes, the minutes were unanimously approved as amended.

b) Special Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2023

Ms. Mackstutis made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of December 19, 2023 for discussion. Ms. Goetz seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

There were no changes to the Special Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2023, and, therefore, the minutes were adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS

a) Memorandum from K. Formanek re: Energy Assistance and Keep Simsbury Warm, dated January 4, 2024 – there was no discussion at this time.

ADJOURN

Mr. Beal made a motion, effective January 8, 2024, to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. Ms. Yeisley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathi Radocchio Clerk



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MEMORANDUM

To:	Karin Stewart, Simsbury Volunteer Ambulance Association; Simsbury Volunteer
	Ambulance Association Board of Directors
From:	Marc Nelson, Town Manager
Cc:	Members of the Board of Selectmen; Tom Fitzgerald, Acting Deputy Town
	Manager; Amy Meriwether, Finance Director; Melissa Appleby, Budget Director
Date:	January 18, 2024
Subject:	Board of Selectmen Questions for Simsbury Volunteer Ambulance Association

At their meeting on January 8th the Board of Selectmen held a discussion of the Simsbury Volunteer Ambulance Association (SVAA) presentation given on December 19th. Below are questions the Board of Selectmen would like the SVAA to answer in advance of our budget development process. To be cognizant of the SVAA's deadline of end of March, the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager's Office respectfully request answers in writing by February 9th, 2024.

- 1. Who is the financial manager of SVAA?
- 2. The Town would like to request more detailed financial reports of SVAA operations to certify the numbers presented on December 19th.
- 3. Does SVAA have a grant writer on staff or a member of staff/Board of Directors who can pursue grants? What has been the success at winning grants in each of the last three fiscal years?
- 4. What is the confidence of SVAA that the out-year projections and anticipated breakeven timeline provided to the Board of Selectmen are as realistic as possible and attainable?
- 5. How were the list of comparable communities chosen/determined that they are comparable to Simsbury and SVAA? Are these comparable organizations setup in the same executive and operating structure as SVAA?
- 6. Please prepare and report a comparison of salaries, benefits and bonuses paid to executive team of SVAA to that of the comparable communities listed in SVAA's presentation on December 19th. How do these compare to the salaries, benefits, costs to our mutual aid towns?
- 7. What is the amount left on the loans that SVAA took out and what are the maturity dates of those obligations?
- 8. What is SVAA doing to target more donations?
- 9. Are other comparable operators charging for calls that don't result in transports?
- 10. Can volunteers be used on the 2nd ambulance to assist in lowering the cost of running the 2nd ambulance?
- 11. Has SVAA completed a cost benefit analysis of purchasing the van style ambulances versus the box style?

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- 12. Please quantify mutual aid in both directions for calendar 2022 & 2023 (the Board is interested in understanding the current landscape in terms of the equities amongst neighboring towns.
- 13. What is the status, if any, or discussions around regionalization opportunities?

Thank you for helping us better understand the immediate need for financial support from the Town. As you are no doubt aware, the Town's support this year was derived from Federal ARPA funds – funds which are now fully expended or encumbered. For the upcoming fiscal year then, the Town is considering either operating or capital support, or some combination of them, but has ruled out the suggestion that SVAA debt retirement might also be a possibility.

Please feel free to call if you would like to discuss.