

ARPA Committee

Minutes January 25, 2022

Committee members in attendance: John Haney, Steve Long, Anne Margolis, and Mike Pittman. Also, Chris Groschner.

The committee discussed different ways to solicit public input, including a mailing to town residents that would include a survey. Committee decided to create and distribute a survey. Long will write a draft and distribute it to the other committee members for revisions. Input could also come through an online survey. Margolis will confirm whether town has survey monkey account.

Before creating the survey, the committee wants to be sure that its priorities and methods match up with the selectboard's expectations. Long will ask to be put on the agenda for the Selectboard's next meeting.

The Committee took a first look at the project list that was generated by the Selectboard and commented on the various projects.

The Committee discussed ways to evaluate the various ideas for projects. Members are in agreement that the funds should be used for projects that wouldn't otherwise be funded. If funds for a project are readily available and/or have already been budgeted, the committee would consider them lower priority. Margolis agreed to develop a spreadsheet with columns for the other possible funding sources.

ARPA Committee's next meeting will be Tuesday, February 22, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.