



**Minutes
Moretown ARPA Advisory Committee
Wednesday, October 12, 2022
7:15 – 8:30 PM**

Present: Karen Horn Chair, John Schmeltzer Vice Chair, Deborah Carroll, Rae Washburn, Dara Torre, Ned Farquhar (on line)

Guests: Rebecca Baruzzi, Bill Zekas

Karen called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm, as many participants had attended the Mad River Valley housing summit the same evening.

Bill Zekas from the Mad River Valley Senior Center and Meals on Wheels discussed a request for ARPA dollars from Moretown in the amount of \$5000 to assist with a shortfall due to the pandemic and inflation.

Rebecca Baruzzi, from Freewheelin', which is associated with the Mad River Valley Senior Center, discussed a request for ARPA dollars from Moretown in the amount of \$10,000 to assist with the purchase of an electric vehicle to provide rides to those who need them in order to get to health appointments and similar meetings.

John made a motion to accept the minutes of September 14. Deb seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

The committee discussed the requests that have been made to the selectboard and to the ARPA committee since the spring. In order to give an equal opportunity to make requests for ARPA dollars to be spent in the Town of Moretown, the committee will publicize the next meeting, Wednesday Oct.26, as the deadline for requesting ARPA dollars. The committee will then finalize its list of recommendations at the meeting on Wednesday, November 9. The committee is considering requests that are either transformational, or related to pandemic recovery.

Ned made a motion to adjourn at 8:30 pm. Rae seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Horn
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