

TOWN OF BOZRAH
TOWN MEETING
FIELDS MEMORIAL SCHOOL
February 22, 2023

First Selectman Glenn Pianka called to order the Town Meeting on the 22nd day of February 2023 at Fields Memorial School with 35 people in attendance.

Motion was made by Raymond Barber and seconded by Jeremy Tarasevich for Michael Betten to act as moderator. Motion carried.

Call of the meeting was read aloud by Moderator Michael Betten;

The electors of the Town of Bozrah and those entitled to vote at a Town Meeting are hereby warned and notified of a Town Meeting to be held at Fields Memorial School at 8 Bozrah Street Extension on Wednesday February 22, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. The agenda is as follows:

1. Approve corrected Town Meeting minutes of April 20, 2022
2. Approve Town Meeting minutes of July 20, 2022
3. Approve Town Meeting minutes of September 14, 2022
4. To approve the expenditure of **American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)** funds received in the amount of \$416,200 as approved/recommended by the Board of Selectmen **Special Meeting of January 10, 2023 (See minutes for detailed breakdown)**

Dated at Bozrah, Connecticut this 14th day of February, 2023 by:

Board of Selectmen:

Glenn S. Pianka
William E. Ballinger
Jeremy Tarasevich

1. Motion was made by John Way and seconded by Raymond Barber to approve the Town Meeting minutes of April 20, 2022. Motion carried.

2. Motion was made by Raymond Barber and seconded by Michel Leask to approve the Town Meeting minutes of July 20, 2022. Motion carried.

3. Motion was made by Jeremy Tarasevich and seconded by Raymond Barber to approve the Town Meeting minutes of September 14, 2022. Motion carried.

4. G. Pianka presented the town with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Tranche 2-Expenditures Proposal - February 22, 2023 - Attachment 1

Ev Brown commented her support of the proposed expenditures.

By unanimous vote, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Tranche 2 Expenditures Proposal - February 22, 2023 was approved.

The Town Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Heather Provost
Recording Secretary

TOWN OF BOZRAH
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)
TRANCHE 2-EXPENDITURES PROPOSAL -FEBRUARY 22, 2023

Item#1- Exit 23 Fencing: Jay and Kendra Williams presented their case regarding their home being exposed to sound, light, and general privacy compromise since the State removed trees from their property line in April of this year.
\$12,000

Item#2-Stockhouse Road Fencing: To replace aging deteriorated original iron spike fencing from the former Palmer Brother Mill Complex at the corner of Fitchville and Stockhouse Roads
\$15,000

Items #3 Design/Engineering Senior Center Parking Lot: to fund design and construction of State approved driveway, parking lot, and attendant walkway grade issues. This would also address a long-standing liability exposure that currently exists for the Town of Bozrah.
\$10,800

Item #4 Construction of Senior Center/Recreation Field Parking Lot
\$67,100

Item#5- Additional UST Funds: Necessary replacement of the "day tank" pump system discovered as inadequate during the recent UST replacement at FMS
\$15,000

Items #6: Mineral Springs Trail Design: to provide public access to a Native American and Town of Bozrah historical site via an archaeological survey, documentation of assets, and public walking trail on this Town owned site which was deeded as part of a past subdivision proposal.
\$13,000

Item #7: Build Mineral Springs Trail:
\$15,000

Item #8-Town Meetings Recording Equipment: To enhance recording ability and add in video recording capability for modern meeting access capability (i.e. ZOOM and/or other hybrid platforms).
\$3,500

Item #9-Basketball Court Lighting/Pickle Ball Court: As described, to be installed on the current facility at the Recreation Field.
\$22,500

Item #10-Video Surveillance Camera System: This item was budgeted in FY22/23 as a failsafe if ARPA funding did not become available. This has been installed and this funding is possible to redirect to replenish General Funds.
\$19,300

Item #11-Water Cooler/Refilling Station at Rec Field:
(\$3,500 proposal submitted by Jake Gawendo)
NO FUNDING

Item #12-FD Radios: QV Dispatch is the lead on a 22 town Grant for the implementation of an interdepartmental communications network which would also be accessible to DPW or other essential service. This request is considered a "placeholder" at this time. Grant funding has been applied for which would negate the need for this source, in which case this allotment would be reallocated.
\$50,000

Item #13-Emergency Operations Center (EOC): Requested in Round 1 ARPA also. To be located within the physical plant of the BVFD for the purpose of coordination of Emergency Management efforts across multi-governmental operations (Town and State).
\$30,000

Item #14- Town of Bozrah Soccer Field- (Property behind FMS): In addition to the field design work already completed, to fully design roadway access from Bozrah Street Extension, DOT permitting, drainage, and to fully utilize the appropriation to begin construction.
\$138,000

Item #15- Safe Futures: A written request for funding assistance for social services in the areas of domestic violence, sexual assault and other related needs not directly involved with alcohol or drug abuse. The Town of Bozrah currently has access to these services. **\$5,000 (written request)**

Item #16- TVCCA: Residual funds to be considered upon implementation of Items #1-15

Item #17- Uncas Health District: Residual funds to be considered upon implementation of Items #1-15

- **The total funding for items #1-#17 = \$416,200**
(Available funds: \$416,240.74)