

**Wallingford ARPA Committee Meeting Minutes (AMENDED)  
November 15, 2022**

**Committee Members Present:** Ann Awad, Elicia Pinsonault, Bruce Dobbins, Robert Allen, James Bagnall, Peg Soule

**Others Present:** None

Peg called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

**Additions/deletions to agenda:** None

**Approving Minutes from October 25:** Bruce made a motion that was seconded by Ann to approve the minutes of October 25. Motion carried (5-0). Elicia abstained because she did not attend the last meeting.

**Public Comment:** None

**Matrix Review:** Bruce shared an update to estimate for digitizing land records. The cost to digitize records 30-100 is \$59,000. To digitize records 1-100 is \$81,000. Julie noted that 30-100 would be sufficient because most record searches are within the past 40 years.

James shared an update about a new federal grant that's available for cybersecurity. Bruce will reach out to Justin and the Planning Commission to let them know.

**Process to date and moving forward:** The group discussed the best way to review the applications and each committee member's individual matrix. Peg noted that the process moving forward is two parts; how the committee functionally deals with the information and collates assessments. The second is that the committee has a lot of new information from the meeting with VLCT about potential other sources of funding.

**Review of Applications:** The committee decided to look at projects in four buckets: health and safety, projects that benefit each of our three communities, projects that benefit a portion of our communities, and other. The committee went application by application and to come to a consensus on what we would like to recommend funding, and what applications the committee had questions about or needed additional information for.

Jim questioned the need for HVAC updates to the upstairs of town hall and if it would make an impact. The committee agreed it would like additional information about the HVAC projects for town hall, and would like to know why one application wasn't submitted for the whole building. Peg will ask for the energy audit that was conducted and ask these questions.

The committee had conversations about each application, but no formal action was taken on any specifically or as a whole.

**Other business:** None

**Agenda Building:** None

**Adjourn:** Bruce made a motion that was seconded by Bob to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. Motion Carried (6-0).

**Next Meeting Date:** January 17, 2023