ARRC Meeting Minutes

Nov 15, 2022

Present: Kathy Newton Co-chair

Roberta Soll (via Facetime): Co-chair

Maureen Barnard: Treasurer

Michelle Stidsen: Secretary

**7:05 pm**: Meeting called to order by Kathy

**7:05-7:15 pm**: No additions or deletions to the agenda.

Continued discussion started last year on the purpose of this committee, and its ongoing role in town governance. Everyone on the committee feels oversight of agency monetary requests is valuable to the town. It is also acknowledged that the diligent work conducted in past years by members of this committee to develop a worksheet and spreadsheet to track agencies and their yearly requests has vastly simplified this process. However, while this committee has worked to present a centralized access point to the town, and to develop more objective assessments of agency requests, there continue to be other avenues by which agencies can present their requests to the town, which it is felt, erodes the oversight benefit of this committee.

There is no election of officers for next year as all committee member’s terms expire April 2023, and none of the members wish to carry on for another term.

**7:15-7:22 pm**: Review/Discussion on Agency Requests:

\*Age Well- $4000

\*Hinesburg Senior Meal Site- $650

\*Prevent Child Abuse-$500

\*COTS- $1000

\*Steps to End Domestic Violence-$2350

\*VCIL- $200

\*UVMHHH- $7250

\*VT Family Network- $1000

There are only 8 requests this year. All these agencies are well known to the committee so there is not much discussion on the merits of the work they do, and this year’s requests are equal to last year’s requests, with except of UVMHHH which is asking for additional $250. All requests approved as is. Of note American Red Cross did not submit a request this year.

Total approved= $16,950 ($150 less than last year)

**7:22-7:23pm**: Assign f/u duties: Kathy will complete the report and submit to the town report.

**7:23pm**: Meeting adjourned

Respectively submitted by,

Michelle Stidsen, Secretary