



**MINUTES**  
**Board of Commissioners Chambers**  
**219 East Paw Paw Street**

**Commissioners**

Gail Patterson-Gladney, District 1  
Kurt Doroh, District 2  
Richard Godfrey, District 3  
Mike Chappell, District 4  
Randall Peat, District 5  
Donald Hanson, District 6  
Paul Schincariol, District 7

**October 26, 2021 10:00 AM**

**ARPA Committee Meeting**

1. **Call to Order**  
Committee Members Present: Commissioner Paul Schincariol, Commissioner Gail Patterson-Gladney, Commissioner Kurt Doroh, County Administrator Frank Hardester, Finance Director Ryan Post, Treasurer Trisha Nesbitt  
  
Others Present: Commissioner Don Hanson, Commissioner Richard Godfrey, Bloomingdale Representative Steve Schultz
2. **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**  
None
3. **Approval of Agenda**  
Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Commissioner Patterson-Gladney; Supported by Commissioner Doroh; Motion: Carried.
4. **Approval of Minutes**
  - A. **10/12/2021 ARPA Committee Meeting Minutes**  
Motion to approve the 10/12/2021 ARPA Committee Meeting Minutes with corrections as noted below by Commissioner Patterson-Gladney; Supported by Commissioner Doroh; Motion: Carried.  
  
Correction - Section 6, page 2, Habitat Corporation should be in place of Habitat of Humanity.
5. **Public Comment**  
Steve Schultz from Bloomingdale Communications announced that he submitted his proposal yesterday. It did not make it to the agenda today due to timing. He stated that it is an ambitious request and he is available to meet with anyone individually or in smaller groups to explain in detail what the request entails.
6. **Agenda Items**
  - A. **ARPA Update**  
Administrator Hardester reported that we have several proposals to go through today. We have not received the final final yet. In an ARPA webinar, he received updates and information on additional pending relief funds that are likely to pass and something to consider for some of the requests we may receive. The Road Commission has discussed some items they need funds to complete. Administrator Hardester recommended that they submit a formal proposal.

Commissioner Schincariol discussed the goals of this committee and organization of how proposals should be handled.

**B. 5 West Main Street, Hartford - Proposal**

Trisha Nesbitt presented the request for the tax-foreclosed property located at 5 West Main, Hartford. There was an unexpected collapse of the building next door which caused damage to the building. The Land Bank Authority would like to rehabilitate the building to create both business space and affordable residential space. The request is for \$75,000 of ARPA funds for this project.

Motion to approve the project to be discussed further at the 11/9/21 COW by Commissioner Patterson-Gladney, Supported by Commissioner Doroh; Motion: Carried.

**C. Essential Workers Premium Pay**

Administrator Hardester presented the request for Essential Workers Premium Pay using Category 4 of the ARPA funds. He explained the review process and that 131 employees, not including elected officials, are available, and that the total would be \$156,389.23, which includes MERS and Workers Compensation. Discussion ensued.

Motion to approve this request for further discussion at the 11/9/21 COW by Commissioner Doroh; Support by Commissioner Patterson-Gladney; Motion: Carried.

**D. Loss Revenue**

Administrator Hardester presented the Loss Revenue request, based upon the guidelines from the US Department of Treasury and approved by our auditors. The funding amount to be transferred is \$4,035,152.00. Discussion ensued

Motion to approve the Loss Revenue funds to be further discussed at the 11/9/21 COW by Commissioner Patterson-Gladney; Support by Commissioner Doroh; Motion: Carried.

**E. Voice Evacuation Systems**

Administrator Hardester stated that the request is to add to three existing facilities a Voice Evacuation System that is standard in modern facilities but not existing in older county facilities. The system would be utilized to announce emergency situations for the safety of both staff and the public. The rough estimate is \$40,000 per facility for a total of \$120,000. Discussion ensued.

Motion to approve approximately \$120,000 of the ARPA funding to be used for the Voice Evacuation Systems and to move this item to the 11/9/21 COW by Commissioner Doroh; Supported by Commissioner Patterson-Gladney; Motion: Carried.

**F. HVAC Project**

Administrator Hardester stated that the request is to use ARPA fund Category 1 to make improvements to the HVAC systems in three locations, for a total estimated cost of \$323,000. Discussion ensued.

Motion to approve the request and move for further discussion to the 11/9/21 COW by Commissioner Patterson-Gladney; Supported by Treasurer Nesbitt; Motion: Carried.

**G. Window Replacement**

Administrator Hardester stated that the request is to use ARPA funds from Category 1 for replacement of 176 windows in the Courthouse, Annex and Administration buildings. The total estimated cost is \$550,000. Discussion ensued.

Motion to approve the use of ARPA funds for window replacement and bring this to the 11/9/21 COW by Commissioner Doroh; Supported by Treasurer Nesbitt; Motion: Carried.

Commissioner Doroh noted concern that there is always a possibility of added other unforeseen costs.

7. Public Comment

None

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned: 11:40