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ROSS TOWNSHIP BOARD – SPECIAL FINANCE MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday, August 15, 2023 – 5:30 P.M. Ross Township Hall
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- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Attendance
- Approval of Agenda
- Consent Agenda:

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All items under this section are routine and will be enacted by one motion with no discussion. If discussion is desired by a Board member, that member may request removal of an item from the Consent Agenda for discussion and independent approvals.

- **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Please state and spell your name for the record – Limit comments to 3 minutes. Please be advised Public Comment is designed for one-way commentary directed towards the Township Board, not members attending. A response to comments should not be expected. If citizens are requesting a response, please contact Ross Township during business hours for further assistance or information.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ARPA: funding considerations for 2023-2024
- Financial/Budget Review

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Christina Hutchings

From: Michael Bekes
Sent: Sunday, August 6, 2023 6:10 PM
To: Christina Hutchings; Mike Sulka; Alexander Harris; Lynn Harmon; Diana Langshaw; Syndee Genung
Cc: Michael Bekes
Subject: ARPA Update
Attachments: ARPA Expenditures or Commitments To Date as of 8-6-23.xlsx; ARPA Framework Updated 8-6-2023.xlsx; ARPA Expenditures Not Assigned.xlsx

Hello Colleagues,

Attached are the most updated ARPA sheets that I could put together with information that has been submitted to us.

Please – review these sheets and be aware of the notes on several cells prior to our upcoming meeting. The notes will not print, but reviewing the notes will guide you on the actual items that have been either approved or purchased. I'm only starting this note taking with this current update, meaning I did not go back to update anything prior to the May ARPA sheets I initially prepared.

Side notes:

The ARPA Expenditures Not Assigned file attached has not been responded to. Several months ago, we moved/approved Alex to identify the respective ARPA purchases and tell us where they should be assigned. I have received zero follow up from this request so the numbers remain in the Framework as spent, but not accountable to any individual area.

We were given the transaction list from 4/1/23 through 7/30/23 as part of our documents package. There is no indication that anything on that list is ARPA money from what I read, so nothing from those transactions have been applied to the Framework. If you believe something in those transactions should be considered ARPA, please let me know at our meeting and I'll update the material accordingly. If we find ARPA expenditures in there, then we might need better controls to identify ARPA expenditures as we process payments for ARPA approved items.

Lastly, on the ARPA Expenditures or Commitments file, I've highlighted the expenses (embedded in the spreadsheet) that I found we approved over several of our last meetings. It doesn't mean the money has been spent yet, but the numbers have been added to the totals. What we'll need to do at a future date will be to remove the 'highlighted approved amounts' when the actual expenditures show up on the GL Activity report for ARPA to prevent double counting. I can explain this further at our next meeting.

Thanks all,

Mike

