## TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Select Board

Minutes for Public Hearing - RSA 31:95-b Acceptance & Expenditure of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Assistance by Local Government

August 10, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Town Hall, 9 Main Street, Alstead, NH 03602

**SELECT BOARD PRESENT:** Mary Ann Wolf, Joe Levesque (in person); Joel McCarty (via Google Meets due to COVID exposure)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator; Penny Gendron, Police Administrative Assist.; Jesse Moore, Ambulance Chief; Steve Murrell, Police Chief; Prescott Trafton, Road Agent; Bobbie Wilson, Ambulance Lieutenant

**COMMUNITY MEMBERS:** Gordon Kemp (via Google Meets); Mike Fitzherbert; Mark Mastrocinque; Mr. & Mrs. Moody; Rick Nalevanko; Matt Saxton; Juanda Strout; Rudolph & Barbara Viegener; Sarah Webb; Jude Willis

Mary Ann Wolf opened the public hearing regarding the acceptance of unanticipated funds Alstead will receive from ARPA. She stated the amount is \$202,888.54 and half will be received this year and half next year. She read what the funds can be spent on:

- support public health expenditures
- address negative economic impacts caused by the Covid pandemic
- replace lost public sector revenue
- provide premium pay for essential workers
- invest in water, sewer and broadband infrastructure.

Brief discussions took place between community members and the Board. On a motion by Joe Levesque, seconded by Joel McCarty; *the Board voted to accept the unanticipated ARPA funds. The motion passed unanimously.* 

The hearing was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator