

## **LONG-TERM RECOVERY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Town Hall Meeting Room**

**June 22, 2021 – 6:30 pm**

**1. CALL TO ORDER** – Chairman Joe Doering called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. In attendance were Joe Doering, Sue Landolina, Carol Lindberg, Bob Lindberg, and Paul Calebaugh

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

**3. MINUTES** – Motion made by Bob to approve, seconded by Sue. Approved: Bob, Carol, Sue and Joe, Paul abstained.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE:** Region 3 Information was reviewed by the committee and discussed.

**5. BOARD OF SELECTMEN REQUEST REGARDING ARPA FUNDS** – The committee identified the following items for consideration by the BOS:

- a. Additional support for social services and senior services so that there would be resources and time available should another event occur.
- b. Additional support for community-based organization such as the Food Pantry so they could have the ability to scale up during another event.
- c. Senior/Community Center upgrades so the facilities would be able to better deal with another event. Possible kitchen upgrades, furniture, broadband access, etc.
- d. Emergency funding reserve for rent and utilities.
- e. Possible hot spots in strategic areas such as where seniors reside so everyone could have access to the internet.
- f. Technology devices such as iPads/tablets on hand to be loaned or accessed during an event so communication and resources could be accessed.
- g. Technology training for those not comfortable with technology so they could access resources and information.
- h. Additional support for social services and senior services to deal with isolation issues. phone tree, additional newsletters and correspondence, events, and visits.
- i. Additional mental health resources, perhaps working other towns to provide support during times of crisis and difficulty.
- j. Transportation and additional services for disabled residents that would help them during an event or crisis.
- k. Potential town event or fair to build community and highlight support services.
- l. Additional transportation at high demand times during another event or crisis.
- m. Additional support for the Health Districts allowing for increased resources and communication.
- n. Storage and supplies such as masks and gloves and medical items.

**6. PREPARING FOR FUTURE EVENTS** – Bob Lindberg mentioned the scalability involved in reacting to another event. The committee would like to identify ways to rapidly increase the town's ability to react to another event. It could be a matter of hours with a weather event or days

and weeks for something like the pandemic. The committee will continue to discuss how to do this. The list in item 5 contains some way to prepare to do this. The committee will meet quarterly to discuss this and to anticipate possible further events. Holding the meetings in conjunction with seasonal changes may help prepare for potential events.

**8. PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

**9. ADJOURN** – Carol Lindberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 pm. Seconded by Paul. Motion Approved Unanimously. The next meeting will be called by the Chair in September.

Respectfully Submitted  
Joseph Doering, Chair