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NEWTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2021

TIME: 7:00PM

**LOCATION: NEWTON TOWN HALL, 2 TOWN HALL ROAD and
ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING**

PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order

Chairman Burrill called the meeting to order at 7:01pm. In attendance were Selectmen, Matthew A. Burrill; Chairman, Lawrence B. Foote; Vice-Chairman, Lisa L. Gonyer, Kathryn Michaels, Charles R. Melvin Sr., Town Administrator Nancy J. Wrigley, and Selectmen's Secretary Diane M. Morin and members of the public.

Chairman Burrill read the following public hearing announcement:

The Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, January 18, 2021 beginning at 7:00pm at the Newton Town Hall, 2 Town Hall Road, Newton, NH for the following:

To take public input on the acceptance of \$29,926.46 from the CRF Municipal Aid GOFERR #1 grant per RSA 31:35-b, II through IV.

To take public input on the acceptance of \$28,156.13 from the CRF Municipal Aid GOFERR #2 grant per RSA 31:35-b, II through IV.

To take public input on the acceptance of \$25,244.69 from the CRF Municipal Aid GOFERR #3 grant per RSA 31:35-b, II through IV.

To take public input on the acceptance of \$46,400.05 from the CRF First Responders Stipend per grant RSA 31:35-b, II through IV.

Zoom conference number 9292056099. Meeting ID 86907536632

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86907536632>

Mrs. Trisha McCarthy, Deputy Emergency Director, addressed the Board. She stated that the grant money received from the Governor's Office for Economic Relief and Recovery, GOFERR, is for reimbursements the Town has paid out to cover specific expenses during the pandemic. It covered salaries for needed personnel, PPE and supplies for Town buildings. The Town was approved for a total of \$117,499.00 and has received \$83,327.28 from GOFERR grants 1,2 & 3. Another GOFERR grant is still under review for \$13,257.95. The EOC is still working on grants from November 1, 2020 to present. She stated the public hearing is being held to inform the residents of the grant money received.

Chairman Burrill stated that the Town has incurred expenses and these grants will help to offset the costs. The Board thanked the EOC for their hard work during the pandemic.

Selectman Gonyer moved to accept the sum of \$29,926.46 from the CRF Municipal Aid GOFERR #1 grant per RSA 31:35-b, II through IV. Seconded by Selectman Foote for discussion.

Chairman Burrill asked if a motion was needed for each grant. Selectman Gonyer stated yes because they are separate grants.

The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Selectman Gonyer moved to accept the sum of \$28,156.13 from the CRF Municipal Aid GOFERR #2 grant per RSA 31:35-b, II through IV. Seconded by Selectman Foote with a unanimous vote.

Selectman Gonyer moved to accept the sum of \$25,244.69 from the CRF Municipal Aid GOFERR #3 grant per RSA 31:35-b, II through IV. Seconded by Selectman Melvin with a unanimous vote.

Selectman Gonyer moved to accept the sum of \$46,400.05 from the CRF First Responders Stipend per grant RSA 31:35-b, II through IV. Seconded by Selectman Michaels with a unanimous vote.

II. Adjourn

Selectman Gonyer moved to adjourn at 7:09pm. Seconded by Selectman Foote with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane M. Morin
Board of Selectmen Secretary