

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES – April 25, 2022**

5:30 p.m. - Algonquin High School, 79 Bartlett Street, Room B120

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jason Perreault, Chair
Leslie Rutan, Vice Chair
T. Scott Rogers, Clerk
Julianne Hirsh
Kristen Wixted

OTHERS: John Coderre, Town Administrator
David Parenti, Fire Chief
William Lyver, Police Chief
David Doneski, Town Counsel

TOWN MEETING PREPARATION AND REVIEW OF RECOMMENDATIONS

The Northborough Housing Authority and the Northborough Affordable Housing Corporation had submitted an application to the MA Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) proposing to develop eight senior rental apartments located in one two-story building at 26 Village Drive. The Town was also proposing to contribute \$100,000 separately from American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to supplement the \$1,340,000 in funds appropriated in Article 23. The transfer of funds was contingent on grant funding from the State and funds supplemented from the Housing Authority for a total anticipated project cost of \$2,440,000.

Mr. Coderre informed the Board of Selectmen that the DHCD declined to award the grant over concerns regarding the estimated total project costs. Given DHCD's lack of grant support, it is recommended that Article 23 be passed over.

Mr. Coderre and members of the Board expressed their disappointment that this project is not able to go forward.

CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

The Board reviewed the Certificates of Appreciation that would be awarded at the beginning of Town Meeting to those volunteers who have served on a Board or Committee for three years or longer.

ADJOURNMENT

Selectman Hirsh moved the Board vote to adjourn; Selectman Rutan seconded the motion; all members voted in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane M. Wackell
Executive Assistant

Documents used during meeting:

1. April 25, 2022 Meeting Agenda
2. Memorandum – Housing Authority
3. Memorandum – Certificate of Appreciation