

**MINUTES OF**  
**JULY 5, 2022**  
**TOWN OF OLD LYME**  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

Approximately eighty (80) electors and citizens attended the Town of Old Lyme Special Town Meeting on Tuesday, July 5, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. in the Meeting Hall at the Old Lyme Memorial Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, Connecticut.

First Selectman, Timothy C. Griswold, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Selectman Matthew Ward and seconded by Selectwoman Martha Shoemaker, to nominate Attorney Vicki Lanier to serve as moderator. Mr. Griswold asked if there were any other nominations, and there were none. He called for a vote and Attorney Lanier was voted to serve as the moderator unanimously.

Attorney Lanier asked Town Clerk, Vicki Urbowicz, to read the call of the meeting.

Attorney Lanier asked Selectwoman Martha Shoemaker to present the power point presentation of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) proposed disbursement plan.

- 1. Whether to approve the disbursement of \$2,120,593 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, as outlined in the report of the Old Lyme American Rescue Plan Committee report dated June 21, 2022, and as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance of the Town of Old Lyme on June 21, 2022.**

Selectwoman Shoemaker reported that there are thirty-three (33) Economic Recovery grants recommended for funding. Of these, twenty-three (23) are from Old Lyme businesses and ten (10) are from nonprofits. If approved, all thirty-three applicants will receive a grant of up to a maximum of \$10,000 each, for a total grant amount of \$318,649.

There are thirty-one (31) Community Initiative grants recommended for funding. Applicants include Old Lyme businesses, nonprofits, and town government entities. Because the funds requested outpaced the funds available, numerous applications were only partially funded.

Selectwoman Shoemaker said that, at the March 21, 2022 Special Town Meeting, the voters approved up to \$20,000 for the services of an underwriting consultant to process the economic recovery grants and \$21,622 for the Town's Health District (Ledge Light).

A provision was also added that any approved funds not expended by the ARPA deadline of December 31, 2026 will be added to the Social Services discretionary fund to assist those most in need in the Town of Old Lyme.

Attorney Lanier opened the floor for discussion but there was none. Attorney Lanier requested a motion to approve the disbursement plan for the \$2,120,593 of ARPA funds. A motion was made by a town resident and seconded by Phil Parcak. There was no discussion and the vote in favor was unanimous.

**Motion Carried.**

Selectwoman Shoemaker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Selectman Ward. Meeting adjourned 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Vicki Urbowicz*  
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Town Clerk