

**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
September 5th, 2023
3:15 P.M.**

Present: Johnny Buckley, Brenda Abercrombie and Ben Bridges. Also present: L.W. Nolan, Bernie Nolan, Nathan Pilgreen, Luke Britt, Danielle Harkins and Tommy Durrett.

Mrs. Abercrombie called the meeting to order. Mr. Bridges led the group in prayer.

Motion Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mr. Bridges and declared adopted by unanimous roll call vote to approve the agenda as written.

Motion Mr. Bridges, seconded by Mr. Buckley to adopt the minutes from the June 6th, 2023 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A brief discussion was held regarding Burma Road. Mr. Bridges reported that seven contractors have been contacted regarding submitting a bid for Burma Road, but there have been no bids received. Paul Riley, Riley & Company, has estimated that the project could cost in excess of \$600,000.

The project will require a camera to be run through the culvert to determine what is needed. The road is an emergency type situation. A cheaper alternative would be to put a sleeve in the existing culvert. The Secretary/Treasurer reported that the ARPA account has \$482,350.00 left.

Motion Mr. Bridges, seconded by Mr. Buckley to recommend to the full jury to hire Riley & Company to do the engineering work for Burma Road. Motion carried unanimously.

A brief discussion was held regarding the Open Meetings Software for the Jury room. The Secretary/Treasurer reported that the software will cost \$6,250 with an annual subscription of \$3,500. There was no action taken on this matter due to the excessive amount of funding that could be necessary for Burma Road.

Motion Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mr. Bridges to recommend to the full jury to approve payment for two (2) John Deere 5060E Tractors and two (2) John Deere 520M Loaders in the amount of \$93,489.82. Motion carried unanimously.

In accordance with Ordinance 549, time for public comment was given. There were no public comments.

There being no more business to come before the committee, Mrs. Abercrombie declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Buckley and duly seconded by Mr. Bridges on this the 5th day of September, 2023.

Brenda Abercrombie, Chairman
Paula Strickland, Secretary/Treasurer