

# TOWN OF MADISON

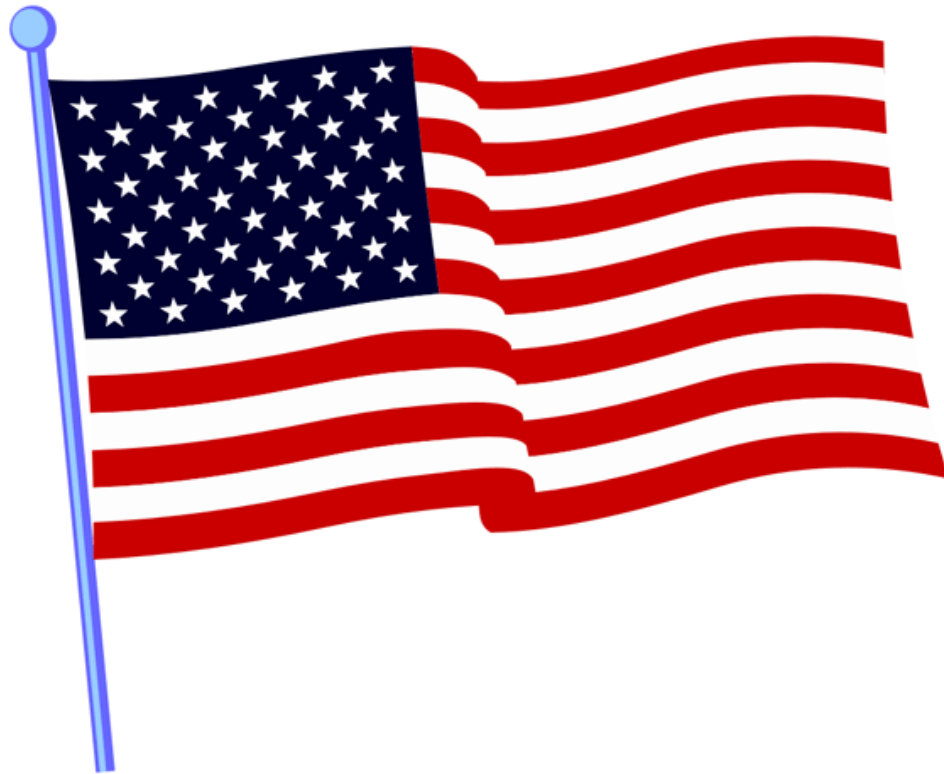
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**Regular Meeting – August 30, 2021**

**Board of Selectmen**

# Pledge of Allegiance



# Agenda

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Approval of Minutes
3. First Selectwoman's Updates.
4. Liaison Reports/Selectmen Comments.
5. Citizen comments
6. Discuss and take action on proclaiming September 4th – 11th 2021 as a time of remembrance, a commitment to volunteerism and community pride in the Town of Madison.
7. Discuss and take action on a Proclamation honoring the Healing Fields ceremony and the Madison Exchange Club.
8. Discuss and take action to approve Proclamations honoring Eagle Scouts
9. Presentation from the Hope Partnership / Caleb Foundation regarding Wellington at Madison and a Tax Abatement application made to the Town.
10. Discuss and take action to approve a Donations
11. Discuss and take action to approve the following hires
12. Discuss and take action to approve retaining the services of Tyche Planning & Policy Group through January 31, 2022; and to authorize the First Selectwoman to sign an agreement of the same terms.
13. Discuss and take action to approve a Line Item Transfer request in the amount of \$18,000 to fund the services of Tyche Planning & Policy Group through January 31, 2022

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14. Discuss and take action to approve recommending to the Board of Finance the creation of a Coastal Resiliency Reserve Fund.
15. Discuss and take action to approve a Special Appropriation in the amount of \$500,000 to fund the Coastal Resiliency Reserve Fund; pending Board of Finance and Town Meeting approval.
16. Discuss and take action to re-authorize the Old Elm Street Historic District Study Committee through August 31, 2023.
17. Discuss and take action to formally appoint the members to the Old Elm Street Historic District Study Committee with terms to expire August 31, 2023
18. Appointments/Resignation
19. Review status of potential referendum projects.
20. Discuss and take action to set a Public Hearing to solicit comment on an Ethics Code Ordinance.
21. Discuss and take action to approve a Charge of the Ad-Hoc Marijuana Legalization Advisory Committee.
22. Discuss and take action to approve Round 3 ARP Funding schedule in an amount not to exceed \$282,359.00.
23. Discuss recommended priorities and objectives for the use of ARP Funding.
24. Discuss and take action to approve a Charge for Ad-Hoc ARP Funding / COVID Taskforce Advisory Committee

# Agenda (cont)

- 25. Review Building Code Appeals process.
- 26. Tax Abatements / Refunds.
- 27. Citizens comments.
- 28. Adjournment.

# First Selectwoman Update

- Tropical Storm Henri resulted in minimal damage, power outages
  - Test run for future storms that may require evacuations, etc.
  - Debrief next month on lessons learned/areas to improve
- Madison vaccination rates in Top 15 across the state
  - 84% of eligible residents vaccinated, 75% of total residents
  - 65% of ages 12-17; 99% of 18-24; 85% of 25-44; 77% of 45-64; 100% 65+
- State requiring vaccinations for state employees, public school teachers, staff and employees
  - Town continuing to see rise in COVID cases. Will adjust policies to adapt to changing circumstances
- Town awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association of the U.S. and Canada (GFOA) for 2020 report

# Update on Referendum Projects

School Renewal Bonding Plan	Academy Community Center Bonding	Island Avenue Property Sale
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Finalizing purchase agreement for elementary school site</li><li>• Project cost projections in process</li><li>• BOE anticipating presenting final plan to BOS in September</li><li>• BOE working on next steps/options for closed facilities</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Colliers updating project costs</li><li>• Municipal space usage plan in process</li><li>• B&amp;R developing survey/programming needs and plans</li><li>• B&amp;R developing staffing profile</li><li>• Reviewing options for needs assessment</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• BOS recommends OLM Proposal to move forward</li><li>• P&amp;Z (9/2) &amp; BOF (9/15) scheduled to review OLM Proposal</li><li>• Due Diligence List, LOI and Sale agreement in process</li><li>• Town Counsel working on resolving deed restrictions</li></ul>

# Ad Hoc ARP Funding/COVID Taskforce

**Charge:** The committee shall create a Plan that coordinates the long-term community and economic recovery of Madison in the wake of the COVID-19 public health emergency to:

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- fully restore Town government services
- aid residents in recovery efforts
- aid businesses in recovery efforts
- determine Emergency Management needs in the face of future public health emergencies
- determine projects to move forward under ARP Funding

Prior to the completion of such plan, the committee shall hold at least one Public Hearing to gather public input.

**Committee Meetings:** The Committee shall meet as required to fulfill their charge. Meetings will be noticed and include time for public comment as a standing agenda item.

## **Committee Composition:**

- one (2) from the Board of Selectmen
- one (2) from the Board of Finance
- one (1) from the Board of Education
- one (1) from the Economic Development Commission
- one (1) from the Senior Services Commission
- one (1) from the Youth and Family Services Board
- two (2) additional members from the public.

The Board of Selectmen will appoint the members of the public to the committee.



# Status of American Rescue Plan

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Category	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Total
Town Operations	\$38,000	\$6,600	\$0	\$44,600
Public Safety & Health	\$57,755	\$85,000	\$120,834	\$263,589
Facilities & Infrastructure	\$0	\$26,000	\$0	\$26,000
Community Support	\$3,500	\$251,700	\$46,525	\$301,725
Economic Development	\$0	\$50,000	\$115,000	\$165,000
Total	\$99,255	\$419,300	\$282,359	\$800,914
Total Funds Available	\$5,335,989			
Funds Awarded To Date	\$800,914			
ARP Funds Remaining	\$4,535,075			

## Some Potential Priorities/Goals:

- Aspire for all residents to see some benefit of ARP Funds
- Create more sustainable infrastructure
- Enhance outdoor spaces
- Improve health and safety of residents
- Create a more resilient community
- Invest in economic vibrancy

## Summary eligible use:

- Support Public Health Expenditures
- Address Negative Economic Impacts
- Replace Lost Public Sector Revenues
- Provide Premium Pay for Essential Workers
- Invest in water, sewer, broadband infrastructure

## Timing:

- Town received 50% in June; will receive 50% one year later
- Town has awarded \$800K to date

## Status:

- Town identifying possible uses, including revenue replacement and CIP projects
- BOS establishing ARP Funding Task Force to advise on all future requests

# Grant Awards to Outside Organizations DRAFT

- Potential to establish independently managed grant program to outside organizations; make recommendations to BOS

	Community Support	Business Support	Arts & Culture Support
Potential Demographic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social services</li> <li>• Affordable Housing assistance</li> <li>• Stabilization assistance for households</li> <li>• Childcare assistance</li> <li>• Addressing educational disparities</li> <li>• Promoting healthy childhood environments</li> <li>• Funding benefits navigators to assist community members</li> <li>• Mental health support</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business district improvements programs including facades improvement program</li> <li>• Economic stabilization for businesses</li> <li>• Re-opening Assistance</li> <li>• Assisting shuttered venues</li> <li>• Speeding recovery of tourism, travel, and hospitality</li> <li>• Free, outdoor services and programs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restore jobs in the arts, cultural &amp; creative sectors</li> <li>• Help sustain the arts and support recovery</li> <li>• Drive traffic to local businesses – restaurants, stores, lodging for economic development</li> </ul>
\$MM	TBD	TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1% of ARPA Funds; \$53 MM</li> </ul>
Facilitator Group	MYFS Board or Independent Grant Review Board	EDC or Independent Grant Review Board	Proposal from Shoreline Arts Alliance

# Ad Hoc Marijuana Legalization Advisory Committee

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**Background:** Effective July 1, 2021 the State of Connecticut passed SB 1201, An Act Concerning Responsible and Equitable Regulation of Adult-Use Cannabis. In accordance with this Bill, municipalities are empowered to make certain decisions for the usage and sale of marijuana.

**Charge:** The committee shall prepare a recommendation for the conditions of use and sale of marijuana within the Town of Madison, including but not limited to:

- Regulations on usage on Town-owned or public property, including fines or penalties for consumption on public property, if applicable
- Establishment of municipal sales tax on the sale of cannabis
- Enactment of Zoning regulations or ordinances governing cannabis establishments
- Regulations for usage by Municipal employees
- Law enforcement guidelines
- Policies and programs for Prevention/Youth Services
- Such plan shall be presented to the Board of Selectmen for review and approval to enable adoption of recommended regulations.

**Committee Meetings:** The Committee shall meet as required to fulfill their charge. Meetings will be noticed and include time for public comment as a standing agenda item.

## **Committee Composition:**

- one (1) representative from the Board of Selectmen
- one (1) representative from the Board of Finance
- one (1) representative from the Board of Education
- one (1) representative from the Planning & Zoning Commission
- one (1) representative from the Economic Development Commission
- one (1) representative from the Youth and Family Services Board
- one (1) representative from the Board of Police Commissioners
- three (3) additional members from the public.

## **Staff Liaisons:**

Catherine Barden, Youth & Family Services  
Representative, Madison Police Department  
Representative, Planning Department  
Trent Joseph, Health Director

The Board of Selectmen will appoint the members of the public to the committee.