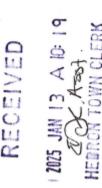
MISSION STATEMENT

The Board of Selectmen, acting as stewards of the Town and agents of the people, will provide services that promote safety; an affordable healthy living environment; and through effective land use and town resources, an economic base that creates jobs and tax assistance to the community while preserving our rural historic character.

TOWN OF HEBRON BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING (HYBRID) TOWN OFFICE BUILDING – 15 GILEAD STREET



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Thursday, January 16, 2025

AGENDA

7:00 p.m.

Time Guideline 7:00 p.m. 1. **CALL TO ORDER** 7:00 p.m. 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ADDITIONS AND CHANGES TO THE AGENDA 7:02 p.m. 3. 7:05 p.m. 4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** This section of the agenda is reserved for persons in attendance who wish to briefly address the Board of Selectmen. The Board requests that a person's comments be limited to a single period lasting three minutes or less. While the Board respects the right of the public to provide comment, this time is not intended for open discussion or a Board response. Residents who wish to request a dialogue should make arrangements to do so through the Town Manager's Office or the Board Chair. (Persons wishing to comment should type "comment" and your name in the chat box and you will be recognized.) 7:10 p.m. 5. GOOD TO KNOW/SPECIAL RECOGNITION **RHAM YOUTH BASEBALL – DONATION FIELD LIGHTING APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS** 7:15 p.m. 6. a) Hebron Historic Properties Commission - Alternate

7:20 p.m. 7. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) Recent Activities
- b) Correspondence
- c) Town Manager Updates

7:30 p.m. 8. OLD BUSINESS

- a) American Rescue Plan State and Local Recovery Funds Update
- b) Department of Public Works Action Committee Update
- c) Town Manager's Annual Evaluation
- d) Communications with Hebron Community
- e) Any Other Old Business

7:50 p.m. 9. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Economic Development Policy and Strategy
- b) 2025 STEAP Grant Application
- c) Draft Agenda for February 6, 2025 Meeting
- d) Any Other New Business

8:10 p.m. 10. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda items are considered to be routine in nature, which the Board may not need to discuss individually and may be voted on as a group. Any board member who wishes to discuss a particular item in this section may request the Chair to remove it for later discussion and a separate vote if necessary.

a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

10.a.1 January 2, 2025 – Regular Meeting

b) **TAX REFUNDS**

8:15 p.m. 11. LIAISON REPORTS

- a) AHM Youth Services Peter Kasper
- b) Hebron BOE Tiffany Thiele
- c) Board of Finance Dan Larson
- d) Land Acquisition Keith Petit
- e) RHAM BOE Claudia Riley
- 8:25 p.m. 12. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 8:30 p.m. 13. ADJOURNMENT

Item 6 a

TOWN OF HEBRON BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 16, 2025

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION ALTERNATE

Ethan Stone (R) has expressed interest in serving on the Hebron Historic Properties Commission. There are two vacant alternate members positions. Mr. Stone has attended several HHPC meetings.

Proposed Motion:

Move that the Hebron Board of Selectmen appoint Ethan Stone as an alternate member of the Hebron Historic Properties Commission to a term to run until December 2025.

Donna Lanza

From: Sent: To: Subject: Andy Tierney Tuesday, January 07, 2025 7:29 PM Donna Lanza Fwd: Historic Properties Commission Alternate

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Ethan Stone <xavierstone882@gmail.com>
Date: January 7, 2025 at 4:19:20 PM EST
To: Andy Tierney <atierney@hebronct.com>
Subject: Historic Properties Commission Alternate

Good afternoon,

I am writing to express my interest in serving as an alternate for the HIstoric Properties Commission. I have attended several meetings and kept abreast with current issues. Hebron has a rich history filled with writers, builders, artists suffragettes and mill-life that should continually be explored through educational programs for the public and of course through preservation work that the Historic Properties Commission is so well known for. I enjoy the historical aspect of the area, and would value the opportunity to serve for its future.

Thank you in advance for your consideration, and I would be happy to discuss any questions you might have of my interest.

Best,

Ethan Stone 13 Church St Hebron

860-420-8557

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CORRESPONDENCE



STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & PUBLIC PROTECTION DIVISION OF STATE POLICE

Troop K – Colchester



M/Sgt Shawn Mansfield #078 Executive Officer

Lieutenant Timothy Henderson #066 Commanding Officer

January 2, 2025

Andrew Tierney Town Manager 15 Gilead Road Hebron, CT 06048

Dear Andrew Tierney,

This correspondence is an effort to keep you apprised of the monthly police services occurring within the Town of Hebron.

During the month of **December 2024**, the Hebron Resident Trooper, Hebron Constable Officers, as well as Troop K Troopers responded to <u>163</u> Calls for Service in the Town of Hebron. Of these Calls for Service, the most notable are:

Total Calls for Service 163	Total Calls This Year 1,854		
	December 2024	YTD	
Accidents	12	97	
Criminal Investigations	10	96	
Burglaries	0	0	
Larcenies	1	9	
Non Reportable Matters	111	1.251	
Total Arrests	4	37	

Motor Vehicle Enforcement*:	December YTD		
Total Traffic Stops	31	377	
Onsite DUI's	2	8	
Arrests	2	8	
Misdemeanor Summons	0	1	
Infractions	2	29	
Written Warnings	2	109	
Verbal Warnings	27	234	

Respectfully,

LT Timothy Henderson #066

Lieutenant Timothy Henderson #066 Commanding Officer Connecticut State Police – Troop K

> 15a Old Hartford Road Colchester, CT 06415 Phone: (860) 465-5400

Item 8 a

TOWN OF HEBRON BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 16, 2025

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN STATE AND LOCAL RECOVERY FUNDS UPDATE

Attached is an updated ARPA Status Report reflecting an uncommitted ARPA balance of \$3,037. A project status update will be provided at the meeting

State and Local Recovery Funds American Rescue Plan ARPA PROJECT STATUS REPORT

	TOTAL FUNDING RECEIVED		\$ 2,812,714				
			APPROVED PROJECTS				
Date Approved Priority	Project Description	Responsible Department	Original Approval	Revised Amount	Balance	Final Expense	Status/Disposition
	UNDER CONTRACT						
7/21/2022 7/21/2022 9/1/2022 1/19/2023	Security Measures - Town Buildings Vandal-Proof Surveillance Cameras - Veteran's Cyber Threat Assessment and Security Measures Implicit Bias Training Town Employees/Elected Officials	TM TM/P&R TM TM	143,000 12,000 25,000 5,000	170,000 3,200	119,672 7,315 6,990 2,000		Alarm work in process/site visits conducted 5/1 & 13/2024/Order placed 8/2/2024/SC added 10/24/24 Working with vendor/Order placed 8/2/2024 Assessment & Tabletop complete/Hardware purchased/Order placed 8/2/2024 Training conducted Nov 6 & 8, 2023/contracted four (4) sessions for 2025
7/21/2022	Dog Park	P&R	50,000	58,000	51,190		Kinney Rd property to PH 10/22/24/ Contract for fencing 11/5/24 (\$35,000 moved to Pickleball 10/10/24)/furnishings purchased/contract for well drilling 12/30/23/Raymond Brook Preserve to PH 1/14/25
7/21/2022 7/21/2022 3/21/2024	Pendleton Drive to Library Pedestrian Bridge - Town Match Engineering Peters House - ADA Parking/Ramp and Structural Horton House Maintenance	P&D P&D P&D	101,886 100,000 81,600	126,886	4,362 95,566 69,600		STEAP Grant, completing plans, Cons/PZC approved, bid awarded 8/1/24/ bridge installed 11/2024/contract for electrical Working w/ Preservation CT and SHPO/contract for paving and electrical signed 11/26/2024/contracts for craftsmen 12/30/24 RFP to on-call architects/contract signed 5/28/24/assessment 6/12/24/draft report received/contract for sidewalk and front door signed 11/26/2024/contract for paint and landscaping 12/30/2024
9/1/2022 1/19/2023	Active Shooter Training and Police Vehicle/Classroom Toolkits Police Accreditation	PD PD	20,000 28,000	45,000	5,545 7,490		Increased 5/8/2023 STB and other materials on order for RHAM, HBOE and Town PowerDMS 3 years/ Accreditation Officer
7/21/2022 12/5/2024	Gilead Hill School Playscape Hebron Elementary School Playscape Repair	HBOE HBOE	120,000 26,000		10,079 26,000		Installation complete 11/2024 - sidewalk access being constructed/contract for gate and sidwalk Contracts signed 12/9/2024
7/21/2022 7/21/2022 5/8/2023	Pickle Ball Courts (3) Skate Park Veteran's P & R Field Lighting (Veteran's baseball field)	P&R P&R P&R	65,000 145,000 250,000	153,000 384,000 319,150	115,775 380,155 312,506		\$ adj 8/3/23, survey complete, PZC approved 5/28/24,started field demo, RFP issued 9/4/2024, Bid awarded 10/10/2024 P & R Subcom working on this with designer/demolished/Increase 6/6/24/RFP Issued 11/6/2024/Contract signed 12/9/2024 Regulation amendment approved 4/23/24, in process special permit app, then RFP, to PH 10/2/24/Contract signed 12/9/2025/\$40,000 Donation
1/19/2023 7/21/2022	Hebron Historical Society Ancient Cemetery Repair/Maintenance (5) Cemeteries Old Town Hall Building Maintenance/Repairs - Paint/Windows/Study \$6000	HHS/P&R	100,000 25,000	25,200 107,000	14,000 24,418 1,252,663		Adjusted 5/8/2023 & 12/5/24 Contract signed for gravestone repairs 6/9/24 &10/15/24 P & R and DPW to work with HHS on tree removal/\$24,800 transferred to OTH 12/5/2024 Adjusted 5/8/2023 and 12/5/24 - Contracted Work started 4/24/24/Foundation and basement work contracted
	SUB-TOTA	AL	1,784,036		1,252,005		

TOTAL APPROPRIATED

1,784,036

State and Local Recovery Funds American Rescue Plan ARPA PROJECT STATUS REPORT

COMPLETED PROJECTS

Total Completed Projects

Date		Responsible	Original	Revised	Final	
Approved Priority	Project Description	Department	Approval	Amount	Expense	Status/Disposition
7/21/2022	Police Vehicle w/ MLPR	PD	97,125	77,206	58,805	Complete - Vehicle purchased, MLPR removed 9/21/2023
7/21/2022	Fire Department Marine	FD	23,000		22,970	Complete
7/21/2022	Fire Department Battery Operated Rescue Tools	FD	50,000		52,039	Complete
7/21/2022	HAMR Softball Field Veteran's	P&R	20,000		18,940	Complete
7/21/2022	Construction Fire Co # 1 Ambulance Bay Expansion/Engineering/Design	FD/PBC	100,000	161,100	22,100	Project Closed - Round 2 Adj 2/2/23 & 8/3/23 Bids rejected, Project Removed from ARPA 12/7/23
7/21/2022	AHM HVAC System Upgrade	AHM	55,000		55,000	Complete
7/21/2022	EV Charging Stations (TOB, SC, BHP)	TM	33,000	39,000	39,000	Complete
9/1/2022	Hebron Interfaith Human Services (HIHS) Food Pantry Support	HIHS	10,000	20,000	20,000	Complete - Additional funding approved 5/2/2024
9/1/2022	Police Vehicle	PD	80,000		66,299	Complete
9/15/2022	WPCA Sewer System Improvements	WPCA	82,140		82,140	Complete
1/5/2023	ACO Vehicle (pre-owned)	ACO	10,000		6,268	Complete
2/16/2023	Fence Between Library and Legion	P&D	7,500		7,446	Complete
2/16/2023	CoDE Support for Juneteenth Event	TM	4,000		4,000	Complete
2/16/2023	Hebron Elementary School Gym Floor	HBOE	264,800	75,900	75,900	Complete - Adjusted 5/8/23 Repair not replace
5/8/2023	The Town Center Project (TTCP) Storage Shed	TTCP	30,000		24,000	Complete
5/8/2023	Fire Department Turnout Gear	FD	40,000		40,000	Complete
1/19/2023	Gull School Roof	P&D	20,000		19,825	Complete
7/21/2022	Playscape Veteran's	P&R	150,000	153,450	153,450	Complete
8/2/2022	Contribution Toward Emergency Generator for Stonecroft Housing	TM	70,000	84,000	84,000	Complete
4/4/2024	Fire Department Active Shooter Tactical Gear	FD	13,600		13,592	Complete
3/21/2024	Police Department Tasers (five year purchase agreement \$26,800)	PD	16,081	27,299	27,299	Complete
7/21/2022	Virtual Meeting Room Conference Equipment (Library & TOB)	TM	66,000	66,338	66,338	Complete
5/16/2024	DPW Radios	DPW	30,917		30,917	Complete
7/21/2022	Martin Road Reconstruction Engineering	DPW	25,000		25,000	Complete
7/21/2022	Green Committee Funding Special Projects	GC	25,940		21,036	Project Closed -Twin bins & Transfer Station signs purchased, bike racks installed at Raymond Brook Preserve and Grayville Park, TOB to be installed/account closed 12/5/2024
4/18/2024	P & R Field Upgrades Burnt Hill Park Baseball Field	P&R	62,406		5,442	Project Closed - RFP issued 10/22/2024/One bid received for \$89,788
7/21/2022	CERT Vehicle Replacement (pre-owned) or Refurbish	EM	115,000		112,131	Vehicle in service 10/2024

1,153,937

ARPA FUNDING STATUS

COMPLETED PROJECTS	1,153,937
APPROPRIATED FUNDS	1,784,036
ACCRUED INTEREST through 11/2024	128,296
REMAINING ARPA FUNDS TO BE HELD IN RESERVE	\$ 3,037
	\$ 2,812,714

AHM Andover Hebron Marlborough Youth Servcies

ACO Animal Control Officer

HBOE Hebron Board of Education DPW Department of Public Works

EM Emergency Management

FD Fire Department

GC Green Committee

HHS Hebron Historical Society

HIHS Hebron Interfaith Human Services

P&R Parks and Recreation

P&D Planning and Development

PD Police Department

PBC Public Building Committee

TTCP The Town Center Project

TM Town Manager's Office

WPCA Water Pollution Control Authority

Approved by Town Attorney Awaiting BOS Approval

Hebron Historical Society - Old Town Hall Restoration	51,550	
Peters House Renovation/Restoration	57,000	
3D Printers for Douglas Library	2,798	
Senior Center - Furniture and Appliances	23,000	(dishwasher replaced w/ other funding)
Fire Company # 1 HVAC Equipment	28,250	
Hebron Interfaith Human Services Donation	TBD	
Additional Pickleball Courts at St. Peter's Field (3)	125,000	
Hybrid Meeting Room Project - SHARP Aquos Board or Similar for TOB Meeting Room	5,000	

Eligible Projects Declined by BOS/Town Manager

	Support for Local Small Businesses	Removed from consider	ation 1/19/2023
	Green Committee: Bike Racks - (include in already approved HGC request)	3,000	Instructed Green Committee to use already approved funds
	EV Charging Stations - Locations TBD	TBD	
	Winter Heating Assistance	25,000	5/8/23 Funding was restored by State
	Beautify Veterans Memorial Route 85/66 - Trees/Bushes	600	5/8/23 Funded by HFPG Community Fund
7/21/2022	Trail Repairs	12,000	Removed 8/3/2023
	Fire Department UHF Radios (Fire Marshal)	5,023	Funded from Fire Department Budget
	Document Storage Review - Horton House	4,600	Funded from FY 23-24 Operating Budget
	Hebron Green Parking Lot Improvements	50,000	STEAP Grant Received
7/21/2022	Senior Center Generator Switch Gear/Connection	14,000	Will be in CIP Budget-Used generator oversized and not good fit for location closed 1292024
	Land Acknowledgement Plaques (CoDE)	\$ TBD	removed from consideration 4/18/24
	Collins: GHS Water System	\$ TBD	Tentative Attorney Approval - removed from consideration 4/18/24
	Collins: Fund for Affordable Home Ownership	\$ TBD	Tentative Attorney Approval - removed from consideration 4/18/24
9/1/2022	Wall Street Sidewalk Project	146,000	Bid Awarded/Signed Contract/Construction in Spring/Summer 2024 - Funded w/ Grant and CIP
2/16/2023	Hebron Center Signage (wayfinding and community event) Design & Const.	45,000	LADA preparing design/working on DOT approval Inc 4/4/2024/ removed 6/6/2024
	P & R Trail Development	80,000	Removed from consideration 6/6/2024
	Grayville Road Bridge	150,500	Funded through a Supplemental Appropriation from UFB FY 24-25
	Hebron Community Theater	TBD	Not ARPA Eligible

Obligate Funds by December 31, 2024 Spend Funds by December 31, 2026

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS ACTION COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Department of Public Works RFQ submissions for Design Services were received on Friday, January 3, 2025. Eleven proposals were received and are currently being reviewed and evaluated by the Department of Public Works Action Committee. Interviews will be scheduled and fee proposals requested from the qualified firms.

TOWN MANAGER'S ANNUAL EVALUATION

Chairman Kasper will provide an update at the meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE HEBRON COMMUNITY

The Selectmen may wish to discuss communications strategies for the upcoming budget.

Also, review the current BOS meeting social media and streaming options.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICY AND STRATEGY

Town Planner Matthew Bordeaux will be present to discuss the Town of Hebron's economic development policy and strategy.

2025 STEAP GRANT APPLICATION

The 2025 Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) grant applications are due by February 20, 2025. Please see attached guidelines. Town Planner Matthew Bordeaux and the Town Manager will be prepared to discuss priorities and proposal(s) for potential grant applications with the BOS.



2025 GRANT ROUND

SMALL TOWN ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GUIDELINES



PROGRAM:

The Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) pursuant to <u>C.G.S. §4-66g</u> funds economic development, community conservation and quality of life projects for localities that are ineligible to receive Urban Action bonds (<u>C.G.S. §4-66c</u>).

TIMELINE:

Application Release Date:	Thursday, January 9, 2025
Application Due Date:	On or before 4:00 PM Thursday, February 20, 2025
Award Date:	On or about April 3, 2025

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

- The complete application, any associated updates, addendums or related documents are available at <u>Small Town Economic Assistance Program STEAP</u>.
- All submissions related to this application must be sent via email to <u>opm.steapapplications@ct.gov.</u> The subject-line of the email must include the municipality's name and "STEAP 2025 Application".
- The submission must be in PDF format.
- Applications are due on or before 4:00 PM on Thursday, February 20, 2025.
- The municipality must submit a completed copy of the "STEAP Application Checklist".
- The municipality must submit a "Statement of Work and Budget".

GRANT AWARD FUNDING:

STEAP funds are issued by the <u>State Bond Commission</u> and administered by the Office of Policy and Management (OPM). Funds can only be used for capital projects. A project is considered to be a capital project if it is new construction, expansion, renovation or replacement for an existing facility or facilities.

The 2025 STEAP grants will be funded from an aggregate amount of \$30,000,000. The total STEAP grant amount a municipality can receive each fiscal year is \$1,000,000. This includes

individual and group applications. Individual grant award amounts will depend on the number of participating municipalities, and the number of qualified applications selected to receive an award.

In no event shall a municipality receive a grant unless and until the secretary determines, in the secretary's sole discretion, that the municipality has fully utilized or has plans to fully utilize any other funds previously granted to such municipality.

MUNICIPALITY ELIGIBILITY:

Eligible municipalities are listed on the attached STEAP Eligibility Listing. Municipalities which have an Urban Center Per Adopted State Plan of Conservation and Development are NOT eligible for either STEAP or the STEAP Opt-In Provision.

Municipalities which are designated as on the <u>Public Investment Community Index</u> (PIC), and/or a Distressed Municipality, are eligible to <u>Opt-In to STEAP</u> as long as the municipality does not have an urban center as per adopted plan. The Opt-in period shall be for four years. During that four-year period, municipalities which have opted in are NOT eligible to receive Urban Act funding.

Municipalities that are eligible to opt into the STEAP program must submit their opt-in request **prior** to submitting their STEAP application.

Municipalities with projects more than five (5) years old or that have expired contracts that have not been closed out with the administering agency are ineligible to apply for new funding. Municipalities should contact the administering agency for previous award information to ensure compliance.

MUNICIPAL MATCH:

All project funding (other than STEAP grant award) must be secured <u>as of the time of application</u>.

A 20% municipal match of the total project is preferred, but not required, in accordance with the following:

- Match funds must be municipal funds, not funds from other state or federal grants;
- Municipal salaries and/or expenses cannot be counted toward the municipal match;
- Funds spent on studies, planning, design, engineering, cost of land and contract services needed to complete the project are acceptable matches;
- Match funds must be spent in their entirety prior to final reimbursement; and
- Match expenditures can be those allowable project-related expenditures which were incurred before or during the grant contract period

The municipal match commitment is not altered shall a project come in under expected costs. The reduction will be on the state grant side. Shall a municipality not be able to complete their project and meet their municipal match during the contract period, the STEAP award shall be pro-rated based on the municipal match.

An authorizing referendum vote and/or resolution by the local legislative body, or, in any town where the legislative body is a town meeting, by a vote of the board of selectmen, which authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to accept such grant if awarded, and enter into and execute any and all agreements, contracts and documents necessary to obtain said 2025 STEAP Grant with the State of Connecticut. This authorizing vote and/or resolution needs to be submitted to the administering agency within thirty (30) days of grant award notice if not available at time of application.

COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS:

<u>C.G.S. Sec. 8-23</u> requires each municipality to prepare or amend and adopt a plan of conservation and development (POCD) at least once every ten years. In accordance with <u>Public Act 24-132</u>, any municipality that fails to adopt a POCD every ten years shall be ineligible for discretionary state funding in excess of \$25,000 unless such prohibition is expressly waived by the OPM Secretary.

All STEAP-funded projects are subject to applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, regulations.

Certain projects, if funded with a STEAP grant, may be subject to additional reviews, evaluations, permits, approvals, and/or certifications, including but not limited to: Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO), Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA), Flood Management Certification (FMC); State Historic and Preservation Office (SHPO) review and determination; and/or Municipal Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) provisions with regard to eligibility for discretionary state funding. Such reviews, evaluations, permits and/or certifications could significantly impact project costs and timelines.

The grantee should only submit applications for such projects when it is able to provide the detailed information that might be required for various state review processes and can continue with the proposed project and spend down the grant within the terms of the contract period despite these added costs and extended project timelines.

CONTRACT:

Grants awarded will have a four (4) year term and may be considered for a one (1) year extension to the grant end date. No grant shall have a term longer than five (5) years.

Each STEAP grant shall have its own contract and shall not be combined with any other grant contract. STEAP grants are not intended to be "banked" or "grouped together" over the course of multiple years. Each award is to be used expressly for the purpose and scope of work as outlined in the awarded grant application.

Any STEAP application, its receipt, and/or any subsequent announcement or notification of an award associated with an application, does not constitute a contract. A contract exists only when you have submitted all required contractual documents and such documents are approved by the administering state agency, and the municipality is notified that the contract is fully executed. Do not incur any anticipated STEAP grant funded project expenditures until a contract is fully executed, as only those allowable expenditures incurred between the start and end dates as established on the fully executed contract can be reimbursed. Expenditures incurred before the contract start date or after the contract end date will not be reimbursed.

When a municipality is selected to receive a STEAP grant, the municipality will receive a notification letter from OPM indicating which state agency has been assigned to administer their award.

Municipalities should be prepared to enter a grant assistance agreement/contract with the administering agency shortly after being notified of an award, therefore municipalities should only apply for a project which is near-term. This means that the STEAP funded portion of the project should be "shovel-ready" or "nearly shovel-ready" at time of application. This is necessary to ensure that the grantee will be able to spend down their grant funds within the defined term of the award, as funds not expended before the grant's end date will be forfeited.

CHANGES IN CONTRACT:

Only minor changes germane to the original scope from the approved application shall be approved by the administering agency. STEAP grant funds cannot be repurposed (used for a project other than the one for which it was awarded.)

• <u>EXAMPLE</u>: A STEAP grant is awarded for a sidewalk project. The original scope was to install 1000 feet of sidewalk. A scope change which would increase the sidewalk to 1200 feet would be germane, therefore would be allowable and could be approved. A scope change to instead use the funding for a veterans' memorial and NO sidewalks would not be germane, therefore cannot be allowed or approved.

GRANT REIMBURSEMENT:

All grant payments will be made on a reimbursement basis and only after the municipality has:

- Incurred and paid for the allowable STEAP-related allowable project expenditures incurred between the start and end dates of the contract
- Match funds must be spent in their entirety (100%) prior to final reimbursement

<u>Unspent grant funds will not be repurposed for other uses</u>. Such unspent funds will be returned to the STEAP program account and will be used for awards made in future rounds.

The administering agency will provide guidance on what information must be submitted to seek reimbursement. Expenditures incurred before the start date or after the end date of the agreement/contract will not be eligible for reimbursement.

ELIGIBLE AND PRIORITY PROJECTS AREAS:

Projects eligible pursuant to CGS <u>Section 4-66c</u>:

- Economic development projects such as (a) constructing or rehabilitating commercial, industrial, or mixed-use structures and (b) constructing, reconstructing, or repairing roads, access ways, and other site improvements;
- Recreational facility improvements;
- Solid waste disposal projects;
- Social service-related projects, including day care centers, elderly centers, domestic violence and emergency homeless shelters, multi-purpose human resource centers, and food distribution facilities;
- Homeownership initiatives in collaboration with local community development financial institutions;
- Redevelopment of historic preservation areas that leverage private funds;
- Development projects involving economic and community development, transportation, environmental protection, public safety, children and families and social service programs; and
- Land acquisition associated with the above types of projects.

Priority Project Areas:

- Shovel-ready projects which are at a stage where project work can begin at STEAP contract approval (see below)
- Improving the quality of life and fiscal stability of municipality
- Making government more effective, efficient and customer friendly
- Promoting economic growth particularly in transit-oriented areas
- Public Service Answering Point (PSAP) Consolidation
- Developing our workforce
- Infrastructure (i.e. roads, bridges, public buildings)
- Pollution control (water, waste, energy) in order to reduce costs and environmental impacts

Shovel-ready projects are defined as those which have:

- Legislative body approval (i.e.: referendum, town meeting)
- All funding (other than STEAP funding) for the STEAP project secured
 - Matching funds
 - Additional project funds
- Local permits in place (i.e.: Inland Wetlands, Zoning, Planning)
- State approvals and permits in place, such as:
 - State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO)
 - Flood Management Certification (FMC)
- Utility coordination plan established
- Municipal Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) up to date
- Project PS&E (plans, specifications, and estimates) ready to be advertised

EXPENDITURES THAT CANNOT BE FUNDED BY STEAP GRANT FUNDS:

- Programmatic expenditures or recurring budget expenditures are <u>not</u> eligible for STEAP or any other state bond program. OPM reserves the right to not fund or reimburse certain projects or certain project components with State bond funds due to public policy reasons.
- Ceremonial or entertainment expenses; publicity; bonus payments; reserves; charges in excess of the lowest responsible bid where competitive bidding is required unless prior approval is obtained; deficits or overdrafts; interest charged; any judgment for damages arising from the project; fines and penalties; meals, municipal salaries or employee expenses.
- Furniture, fixtures, and equipment (FF&E). FF&E includes movable furniture, fixtures or other equipment that have no permanent connection to the structure of a building or utilities. FF&E includes, but is not limited to desks, chairs, computers, electronic equipment, appliances, tables, bookcases, and partitions.
- Goods and/or services purchased and/or provided before the contract start date, or after the contract end date will <u>not</u> be funded.
- STEAP funds **<u>cannot</u>** reimburse design, studies, planning and/or engineering costs.
- STEAP funds **<u>cannot</u>** be used to represent the required municipal "match" or "share" portion for another state or federal grant.

STEAP CONTACT INFORMATION:

- Program information: <u>Martin.Heft@ct.gov</u> or 860.418.6355
- Application Submission: <u>opm.steapapplications@ct.gov</u>
- Questions related to an award (including questions about your grant contract/agreement, payment/reimbursement and a one-time extension), must be directed to the <u>assigned state agency</u>.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Board of Selectmen, acting as stewards of the Town and agents of the people, will provide services that promote safety; an affordable healthy living environment; and through effective land use and town resources, an economic base that creates jobs and tax assistance to the community while preserving our rural historic character.

TOWN OF HEBRON BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING (HYBRID) TOWN OFFICE BUILDING – 15 GILEAD STREET

Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting February 6, 2025, 7:00 PM (America/New York) Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone. <u>https://meet.goto.com/741407965</u> You can also dial in using your phone. Access Code: 741-407-965 United States: <u>+1 (408) 650-3123</u> Get the app now and be ready when your first meeting starts: <u>https://meet.goto.com/install</u>

Thursday, February 6, 2025

AGENDA

7:00 p.m.

Time Guideline 7:00 p.m. 1. CALL TO ORDER 7:00 p.m. 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE 7:02 p.m. 3. ADDITIONS AND CHANGES TO THE AGENDA 7:05 p.m. 4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** This section of the agenda is reserved for persons in attendance who wish to briefly address the Board of Selectmen. The Board requests that a person's comments be limited to a single period lasting three minutes or less. While the Board respects the right of the public to provide comment, this time is not intended for open discussion or a Board response. Residents who wish to request a dialogue should make arrangements to do so through the Town Manager's Office or the Board Chair. (Persons wishing to comment should type "comment" and your name in the chat box and you will be recognized.) GOOD TO KNOW/SPECIAL RECOGNITION 7:10 p.m. 5. 7:30 p.m. 6. APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

7:35 p.m. 7. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) Recent Activities
- b) Correspondence
- c) Town Manager Updates

7:45 p.m. 8. OLD BUSINESS

- a) American Rescue Plan State and Local Recovery Funds Update
- b) Department of Public Works Action Committee Update
- c) Town Manager's Annual Evaluation
- d) 2025 STEAP Grant Application
- e) Any Other Old Business

8:05 p.m. 9. NEW BUSINESS

- a) FY 2025-2026 CIP Budget Review
- b) Horton Property Master Plan
- c) Schedule Special Town Meeting GHS Roof and DPW Project
- d) Draft Agenda for February 20, 2025 Meeting
- e) Any Other New Business

8:20 p.m. 10. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda items are considered to be routine in nature, which the Board may not need to discuss individually and may be voted on as a group. Any board member who wishes to discuss a particular item in this section may request the Chair to remove it for later discussion and a separate vote if necessary.

a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

10.a.1 January 16, 2025 – Regular Meeting

b) TAX REFUNDS

8:25 p.m. 11. LIAISON REPORTS

- a) AHM Youth Services Peter Kasper
- b) Hebron BOE Tiffany Thiele
- c) Board of Finance Dan Larson
- d) Land Acquisition Keith Petit
- e) RHAM BOE Claudia Riley
- 8:35 p.m. 12. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 8:40 p.m. 13. ADJOURNMENT

CONSENT AGENDA

Proposed Motion:

Move that the Board of Selectmen approve the following Consent Agenda items and motions contained therein as if individually adopted:

a) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

10.a.1 January 2, 2025 – Regular Meeting

b) APPROVAL OF TAX REFUNDS

10.b.1	Est. of Ronald Keith	\$204.50
10.b.2	Molly Brown & James Brown	\$383.72

TOWN OF HEBRON BOARD OF SELECTMEN —Regular Meeting (Hybrid) Town Office Building – 15 Gilead Street Thursday, January 2, 2025 - 7:00 PM

MINUTES

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ATTENDENCE:

Board of Selectmen (Present): Peter Kasper (Chair), Daniel Larson (Vice-Chair), Keith Petit, Claudia Riley

Board of Selectmen (Absent): Tiffany Thiele

Staff: Andrew Tierney, Donna Lanza

Guests: Richard Steiner, Ken Jardin, Jean Tulimieri, Kevin Tulimieri, Davis Howell, Community Voice Channel, Kathy Williams, John Matra

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair P. Kasper called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Additions and Changes to Agenda

None.

4. Public Comment

- A. Jean Tulimieri (110 Kinney Rd) Gave her support for a resident-proposed moratorium on development in Hebron Center, raising concerns over environmental impacts from proposed development. Also stated her opposition to locating a dog park on Kinney Road.
- **B.** Kevin Tulimieri (110 Kinney Rd) Also supported a moratorium on development, citing risks to the health, safety, and welfare of the community, and noted strong public opposition to the proposal currently before Planning & Zoning.
- C. Ken Jardin (9 Gilead Landing) Thanked the BoS for their support and authorization of many recreation-related ARPA projects, including the pickleball courts, dog park, and playscape at GHS, as well as a new skate park, playscape, field improvements, and field lighting at Veteran's Park.
- 5. Good to Know/Special Recognition

None.

6. Appointments and Resignations

A. Planning & Zoning Commission Alternate Appointment

A. Tierney noted the vacant seat was last elected as a Democrat, and is traditionally filled with a member of the same party.

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Motion by P. Kasper that the Hebron Board of Selectmen appoint Davis Howell (D) as an alternate member of the Planning & Zoning Commission for a term to run until November 18, 2025. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

B. Economic Development Commission Resignation

Motion by D. Larson that the Hebron Board of Selectmen accept the resignation of Peter Casarella from the Economic Development Commission with regret and thanks for his years of dedicated service. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

7. Town Manager's Report

OSHA conducted an inspection of Town facilities prior to the holidays, with the report expected soon. Progress on ARPA projects continues. Materials for the skate park are incoming, and Town staff has been meeting with contractors. Budget season has begun. Health insurance numbers are expected later this month. Upcoming upgrades and developments in neighboring towns will impact Hebron's WPCA costs and needs, and are being studied.

8. Old Business

A. ARPA Update

Uncommitted ARPA funds are \$3,037.

B. DPWAC Update

R. Steiner reported nine architectural firms attended the pre-bid DPW walkthrough on December 19th. RFQs for the project are due January 3rd. The DPWAC is seeking direction from the BoS regarding continued operation of the transfer station, versus town-wide curbside pickup. Selectmen discussed the cost analysis of both options, and agreed to keep the transfer station. P. Kasper directed R. Steiner to include the transfer station in the design services RFP.

C. Other Old Business

None.

9. New Business

A. Approve FY 2025-2026 Budget Review Schedule

Motion by D. Larson that the Hebron Board of Selectmen approve the FY 2025-2026 Budget Review Schedule as presented. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

B. Discuss Town Manager's Annual Evaluation

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P. Kasper will coordinate with other Selectmen, using the framework evaluation criteria established last year.

C. Draft Agenda for January 16, 2025 Meeting

A. Tierney noted discussion with the Town Planner regarding items including Economic Development Commission (EDC) policies and the Horton property master plan.

D. Other New Business

None.

10. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. December 5, 2024 Public Hearing
 - 2. December 5, 2024 Regular Meeting
- **B.** Tax Refunds

1.	ACAR Leasing	\$484.04
2.	Toyota Leasing Trust	\$645.85

Motion by C. Riley that the Board of Selectmen approve the above Consent Agenda items and motions contained therein as if individually adopted.

Discussion: K. Petit noted "sink" should be spelled "sync" in the Public Hearing minutes. **The amended motion passed unanimously (4-0).**

11. Liaison Reports

- **A. AHM** No report.
- **B.** Hebron BoE No report.
- **C. BoF** No report.
- **D. OSLAC** No report.
- **E. RHAM BoE** No report.

12. Public Comment

None.

13. Adjournment

Motion by P. Kasper to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Respectfully submitted, Hannah Walcott (Board Clerk)