

**Porter County American Rescue Plan
Sub Committee Non Profits & Employers
Monday, April 18, 2022, 5 p.m.
Commissioners' Meeting Room Chambers
Porter County Administration Center 155 Indiana Ave., Valparaiso IN 46383**

Voting Members Present:

Jim Biggs
Mike Brickner
Erik Wagner
Ruth Vance
Rebecca Tomerlin

Jim Biggs opened the meeting and advised tonight the committee will discuss the applications and decide if any can be eliminated before presentations are scheduled.

Erik Wagner asked if the Steering Committee can look at the application if this committee decides to not have it move on. Jim Biggs replied he thinks it is highly unlikely the Steering Committee will do that. There is a limited pot of money and more applications than money.

Rebecca Tomerlin asked about procedure. If she has questions, when should they be asked. Jim Biggs replied – they will discuss the application; someone can make a motion to move it forward or move it back. The vote will stand and speaks for the Board.

Presentations:

Nana Clare's Kitchen - \$10,000

Motion: Rebecca Tomerlin moved to move this application forward. Ruth Vance seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote the motion passed with a 3-2 vote.

Aurora Dental Wellness - \$300,000

Motion: Ruth Vance moved to move this application forward. Erik Wagner seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote the motion failed with a 2-5 vote.

Panorama Now - \$24,000

Motion: Rebecca Tomerlin moved to deny moving this application forward. Mike Brickner seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

From this point forward the motion will be a yes or no vote to move an application forward.

Community Theater Guild - \$62,000

Motion: Ruth Vance moved to vote. Rebecca Tomerlin seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 3-2. Project advances.

Coffeecreek – Boardwalk - \$130,000.

Motion: Ruth Vance moved to vote. Rebecca Tomerlin seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 5-0. Project advances.

Coffeecreek – Lost Revenues - \$5,000

Motion: Rebecca Tomerlin moved to vote. Ruth Vance seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 4-1. Project advances.

Shirley Heinze Land Trust - \$967,500

Motion: Mike Brickner moved to vote. Ruth Vance seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 5-0. Project advances.

Hilltop Neighborhood - \$500,000

Motion: Rebecca Tomerlin moved to vote. Ruth Vance seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 4-1. Project advances.

Neighborhood Educational Opportunities - \$1,500,000

Motion: Mike Brickner moved to vote. Jim Biggs seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 3-2. Project advances.

Center of Workforce Innovations \$10,000

Motion: Mike Brickner moved to vote. Jim Biggs seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 0-5. Project does not advance.

Dress for School - \$10,000

Motion: Rebecca Tomerlin moved to vote. Ruth Vance seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 5-0. Project advances.

Kidsfunds Corporation - \$24,000

Motion: Ruth Vance moved to vote. Rebecca Tomerlin seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 5-0. Project advances.

Portage YMCA - \$800,000

Motion: Mike Brickner moved to vote. Jim Biggs seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 0-5. Project does not advance.

Valparaiso Women's Club - \$490,000

Motion: Rebecca Tomerlin moved to vote. Mike Brickner seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 1-4. Project does not advance.

Indiana Dancers - \$25,000

Motion: Jim Biggs moved to vote. Mike Brickner seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 0-5. Project does not advance.

Liberty Township Volunteer Fire Department - \$6,000,000

Motion: Jim Biggs moved to vote. Mike Brickner seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 5-0. Project advances.

SELF School PTO - \$200,000

Motion: Mike Brickner moved to vote. Rebecca Tomerlin seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 1-4. Project does not advance.

MAAC Foundation - \$3,300,000

Motion: Rebecca Tomerlin moved to vote. Mike Brickner seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 5-0. Project advances.

Valparaiso YMCA - \$950,000

Motion: Ruth Vance moved to vote. Rebecca Tomerlin seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 5-0. Project advances.

Opportunity Enterprises - \$2,500,000

Motion: Rebecca Tomerlin moved to vote. Mike Brickner seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 5-0. Project advances.

Lutheran University - \$327,872

Motion: Ruth Vance moved to vote. Rebecca Tomerlin seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 0-5. Project does not advance.

Lake Shore Public Radio - \$402,263

Motion: Rebecca Tomerlin moved to vote. Jim Biggs seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 0-5. Project does not advance.

Boys and Girls Club of NW Indiana – \$4,000,000

Motion: Ruth Vance moved to vote. Rebecca Tomerlin seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 5-0. Project advances.

VNA Hospice - \$500,000

Motion: Rebecca Tomerlin moved to vote. Ruth Vance seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 5-0. Project advances.

Valpo Project Kids - \$15,000

Motion: Rebecca Tomerlin moved to vote. Jim Biggs seconded the motion. Roll call vote was 4-1. Project advances.

The result is that 16 out of 25 requests advance.

Vicki Urbanik discussed scheduling presentations. Meetings are scheduled for April 25, May 2, May 10, May 16 and wrap up on May 23rd. Vicki will contact the applicants and tell them the date and time of their presentation. It is up to the presenter to make sure they are present and ready to present to the committee on the date Vicki provides them. The time limit is 15 minutes and 15 minutes for Q&A. Applicants should be present at the beginning of the meeting in case presenters before them do not use the entire time allotted. Vicki will contact the applicants that were not advanced tonight. Instructions will be provided if the presenter wants to use a PowerPoint. They are to provide any copies they want the subcommittee to receive.

Curt Ellis will provide applicants a link to the meetings so they can watch and know what questions might be asked of them.

Vicki Urbanik advised she will ask for a 990 for all non-profits.

Public Comment

MAAC Foundation thanked the committee for their consideration.

Liberty Township Volunteer Fire Department thanked the committee for their consideration.

Bob Franko of VNA thanked the committee for their consideration. They will make sure they are ready to answer questions during their interview.

There being no one else wishing to address the Committee, Jim Biggs declared the Public Comment section closed.

Vicki Urbanik advised she has adjusted the rubric for the differences in the committees. She has combined the two lists presented at the last meeting. She presented a draft for the committee to review.

The meeting adjourned.