

**FRIDAY, JULY 15, 2022**

Pursuant to law, the Board of Commissioners called a Special Board Meeting on Friday, July 15, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in the Board of Commissioner's Room and were called to order by the Chairperson.

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

PRESENT: Margaret Batzer, Jeff Dontz, Karen Goodman, Eric Gustad, Pauline Jaquish, Nikki Koons and Richard Schmidt.

ABSENT:

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**ARPA PRESENTATIONS**

Friends of Orchard Beach, in partnership with Manistee Township and the MiDNR Orchard Beach State Park, is proposing a new historically themed universally accessible all-age playground in the day use area of Orchard Beach State Park.  
Amount Requested: \$68,700.00

Maple Grove Township is proposing a renovation of the Community Center Kitchen. Updates include a new floor, updated equipment, shelving for the food pantry.  
Amount Requested: \$10,000.00

The Historic Vogue Theater of Manistee is proposing the installation of a third screen and entertainment venue. Amount Requested: \$250,000.00

Manistee County Airport is proposing the use of ARPA funds for locally funded airport projects. Funds set aside for those projects will then be redirected to three separate airport projects. Total Amount Requested: \$295,000.00

The Onekama Lions Club is proposing improvements to their facility kitchen. Including replacing the dishwasher and stove hood and replacement of kitchen lighting. The lighting in the hall and bathrooms would also be updated. Amount Requested: \$21,700.00

Manistee Recreation Association is proposing financial reimbursement due to economic hardships resulting from the COVID 19 Pandemic. Amount Requested: \$30,000.00

Manistee Township, is proposing the use of funds for replacement the Manistee Township Fire Department Unit 135-R. Amount Requested: \$50,000.00

Lighthouse Pregnancy Care Center, is proposing updates for their building, including a new roof, attic insulation and repairs to the parking lot. Amount Requested: \$42,750.00

The Lakeshore Children's Advocacy Center, is requesting ARPA funding for lease payments for four years, VidaNyx subscription costs, funds for expanding prevention and outreach efforts and funds for increased mental health needs of clients.  
Amount Requested: \$85,800.00

Manistee Area Public Schools is proposing to expand the existing preschool programming, funds to recruit and retain staff and to seed a self-funding Montessori Begindergarten and infant/toddler care program. Amount Requested: \$649,703.00

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Manistee County Parks and Recreation Commission, is requesting ARPA funds for a Manistee/Benzie Park and Recreation Manager Feasibility Study.  
Amount Requested: \$15,000.00

ECHO His Love, in collaboration with the FAST committee and Live Well Manistee, is working to become the Food Network Hub for the county pantry system. ARPA funds would be utilized for updating the facility to house the project.  
Amount Requested: \$20,000.00

Manistee County Planning Department is proposing that the Local Brownfield Revolving Fund provide loans and/or grants to eligible applicants to assist with the upfront costs associated with the completion of eligible activities. Amount Requested: \$60,000.00

Manistee County Land Bank Authority is requesting ARPA funds for Land Bank Development. There are many properties in Manistee County that could be revitalized to support homeownership, affordable housing, and residential and commercial development.  
Amount Requested: \$2,000,000.00

Cleon Township is proposing the use of ARPA funds toward the Cleon 2022 Fire Station Bond. Cleon Township facilities (fire station, meeting room and offices) are in need of significant structural and exterior repairs. Amount Requested: \$300,000.00

**OTHER ITEMS**

The awarding of ARPA Funds will be held in conjunction with the upcoming Budget Study Session.

Adjourn at the Call of the Chair at 3:36 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk  
Lindsey Marquardt