

**Manager's Report**  
**Town of Hardwick**  
**September 2, 2021**

- Sunwise Surveying will be surveying the proposed road changes to Bayley Hazen Road.
- Little River Surveying will be performing a topological survey of the areas in and around the pedestrian bridge.
- Paul Senesac to begin sludge measurements of the wastewater lagoons next week when Ken Lacasse returns.
- Developing USDA approved contracts for engineering and architectural services for the pedestrian bridge. I currently need more information from the Architect and the engineer.
- Completed narrative update for USDA Communities Facilities Grant. Sent to USDA representative, Rebeca Shrader last week.
- Responded to an issue relating to a blocked legal trail on Prospect Street. ATV user complaint. Further investigation found that though there is a legal trail, Prospect Street, Hillside Street and Union Streets are not designated for ATV use.
- Provided Aldrich and Elliot with costs for removal and disposal of sewage sludge at the wastewater treatment facility. The cost of total disposal of sludge is \$2,119 per ton. The bid allocation was \$271,200 for removal of 120 dry tons of sludge. The markup is \$141.00 per ton or \$16,900. The bid price for the entire WWTF job was \$2,390,201. The total expected bid price was \$2,111,825. The actual bid price was \$2,861,536 or \$749,711 over the expected total project bid. We can take approximately \$250,000 off the price if we don't do the add alternates. Note that additional sludge removal may increase the final cost.



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## Memo

To: Hardwick Select Board  
From: Casey Rowell, Business Manager  
Re: ARPA Funds

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Town Allocation from the State: \$299,512

County portion: \$555,715

Grand Total: \$855,227

Payments will be split up over 2 years. Half this year and half next year. We have already received the first half of the \$299,512.

These are the only qualified four areas of which funds can be used for:

1. To respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency or its negative economic impacts;
2. To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to such eligible workers of the recipient, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who performed essential work;
3. For the provision of government services, to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such recipient due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the recipient prior to the emergency; and
4. To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

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