

TOWN OF ST. JOHNSBURY

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Special Select Board Meeting of the St. Johnsbury Select Board March 27th, 2023 @ 5:45 pm

Present-

Select Board: Dennis Smith, Steve Isham, Brendan Hughes, Frank Empsall, Tracy Zschau

Staff: Chad Whitehead, Joe Kasprzak, Rachel Waterhouse

Press: KATV

Public: Bob Holmes, Linda Lotti, Jenna O'Farrell, Casey Winterson

Town of St. Johnsbury VCDC CDPG Implementation Grant- Armory:

- Joe Kasprzak, Assistant Town Manager explained that the Town has applied for VCDP CDPG funding three times already for help with remediation. He mentioned that he feels obligated to get as much funding for the project as possible and is proposing that the Town submit another application. He explained that a significant portion of the cost of this project is the environmental remediation. The budget escalation continues as seen with the recent estimates for remediation which have increased to \$2.5 million, from the previous estimate of \$1.3 million.
- Joe mentioned that the Town also plans to apply again for the Brownfield Revitalization Grant under the national slums and blight criteria for up to \$500,000 for remediation.
- Joe explained that the VCDC CDGP and VCDC CDPG Grants are two different grants therefor the NEKCA application and the Armory application would not be competing with each other.

On a motion by Brendan and second by Dennis the board adjourned by unanimous decision.