

Status Color Key				
Blue	Approved or In-Progress			
Green	Ready to move forward			
Yellow	More information needed			
Red	Not a priority right now; revisit in future or with another funding source			
Brown	No decision			
Purple	New projects or updated information			
Supplemental Appropriations Approved or in Approvals Process				
DEPARTMENT	PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATE	STATUS
DPW	Pavement Management	To be supplemented by \$1,000,000 in ARPA funding proposed in FY22/23 capital budget. Will allow DPW to begin work as soon as the pavement plants open in the spring. Anticipate improvements to Old Mill Road, Yorkshire Lane, High Ridge Road, Forge Drive, Northgate, Anvil Drive, Brownstone Drive and Wyngate Road this year (per 10/6/2021 Pavement Management Plan, prepared by the Beta Group).	\$ 500,000	Blue - TC Approved 2/3/22; BOF Approved 2/28/22
BOE	AHS RTU Replacement - Phase II	Continuation of a FY22 project, Phase 1 funded by CIP, Eversource rebates and operating budget. Phase II includes band room, auditorium, locker room.	\$ 320,000	Blue - TC Approved 2/3/22; BOF Approved 2/28/23
Engineering	Deepwood Drive/New Road Drainage	We have been experiencing more frequent and intense storm events over the past decade which force us to design and make immediate improvements to remedy wash outs, etc. Funding is requested to make more immediate repairs to the system that flows from Deepwood Drive to New Road to the Farmington River. This system has been problematic for over a decade.	\$ 275,000	Blue - TC Approved 2/3/22; BOF Approved 2/28/24
Recreation	Sycamore Hills Pool Repair	Sycamore Hills Main Pool has cracks in the concrete, the stairs are starting to deteriorate and the returns no longer adjust and need to be replaced. During COVID the pool was heavily used daily. This preventative maintenance could prevent an emergency closing during the season and remove an important recreational asset that members relied on for outdoor activities.	\$ 100,000	Blue - TC Approved 2/3/22; BOF Approved 2/28/25

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General Government	Building #1 Flood Prevention	The Avon Room sustained flood damage during Hurricane Ida in August. Public Works staff have removed the carpet and the lower section of drywall throughout the space. In addition we have identified that a majority of the kitchen cabinets have delaminated and will require replacement. At this time we have placed an order for water resistant vinyl plank flooring and we have applied a sealant to the brownstone walls that were behind the sheetrock. We have also finalized the design for the kitchen area. This work is being funded through the operating budget. Thee Town engaged Fuss & O'Neill to study the brook and the Avon Room and make recommendations to prevent future flooding. The report recommends \$50K in remediation work including a flood resistant door or barrier, removal of silt from the brook itself and the installation/reconstrucion of a retaining wall.	\$ 50,000	Blue - TC Approved 2/3/22; BOF Approved 2/28/26
Recreation	Sycamore Hills Playscape Replacement	This playscape is almost 30 years old and not ADA accessible. Components have been removed and the remaining ones are deteriorating from the sun. This project would cover removal, and installation of new equipment, surfacing. Total project cost is \$75,000. Balance of \$60,000 to be contributed by State Bond Commission. Project would remove existing playscape components and replace with a modest sized ADA accessible playscape.	\$ 15,000	Blue - TC Approved 2/3/22; BOF Approved 2/28/27
Recreation	Senior Center HVAC Upgrades	This project is recommended by DPW and quoted by Tradesmen of NE. It furnishes and installs 4 new YORK condensers with 4 new air handlers. Currently the units are original to the building. Average life expectancy is 15 years the units are 20+. The unit uses R-22 refrigerant which is obsolete. New 5ton Split Systems will put system up to ASHREA standards utilizes 401A refrigerant. Project scope: Demo 4 air handlers. Install 4 Air Handlers. Re- pipe Hydro Coil on AHU1. Install AC piping to units. Pressure test and vacuum units. Install new disconnects, hook up line voltage. Test 4 systems. The Community Room was used for multiple COVID Vaccination Clinics and Blood Drives. The systems often could not keep up during hot summer months. While the Senior Center was closed Recreation ran a small summer camp at the center. Good ventilation is imperative to the health of the seniors and other users of the building. 1) The Senior Center is used as a cooling center when needed. 2) The units in the exterior mechanical room and table and chair storage closets are stacked with other plumbing and fire sprinkler pipes running underneath them so important that they get done at the same time to greatly reduce the labor. Senior Center was built in 1988 and these are original units so they are all over 30 years.	\$ 140,000	Blue - TC Approved 3/3/22; BOF to consider 3/28/22
TOTAL			\$ 1,400,000	

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FY23 Capital Budget - ARPA Funds				
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		TOTAL	\$ 1,000,000	
Priority Projects				
DEPARTMENT	PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATE	STATUS
BOE	MR46 Access Points (Wi-Fi) - District Wide	As a result of COVID, Avon Public Schools revised its strategic plan to provide every student with their own Chromebook PreK-12 instead of just grades 7-12. This allowed all students access during both remote and hybrid learning (when necessary), eliminated the sharing of devices when in-person (thus minimizing a possible method of transmitting the disease), and as a result of every student and staff member now having a device, has shifted the delivery of instruction and assessment at all levels. The increase in the number of devices online at the same time has stressed the wireless infrastructure in the schools and has resulted in very slow response times due to wireless congestion on occasion. The updated access points will allow us to expand the wireless network in the schools by updating older hardware in the most problematic areas and repurposing the older hardware to provide coverage in areas that do not currently have adequate Wi-Fi signal.	\$ 133,701	Green
BOE	MR76 Access Points, Antennas, Licenses (outdoors) - District Wide	Additional outdoor access points will provide schools the opportunity to utilize outdoor learning spaces during the school day. With the purchase of additional outdoor access points, each school will be able to provide students with more mask breaks. Teachers will be provided with connectivity to host hybrid lessons with students who happen to be remote due to a quarantine situation when they are teaching in an outdoor classroom space. The access points will also provide community members with Wi-Fi access after school hours when they are within the range of the school.	\$ 12,320	Green
BOE	BenQ Panel	Due to COVID restrictions, schools are unable to hold large group meetings with students and staff. BenQ panels have a broadcasting feature that allows content to be streamed to all panels in a school and across the district. This feature is extremely useful to host a school or district wide meeting to adhere to social distancing requirements. Presently, only the larger classrooms have BenQ boards, so not all staff or students would have access to the broadcast. In addition, the broadcasting feature can be used to distribute safety messages in case of an emergency situation at both the building and district levels.	\$ 66,000	Yellow - wait to see how FY22 budget ends

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BOE	QNAP Security Camera Server (5 servers)	Due to COVID requirements and mitigations (e.g., social distancing, mask breaks) students are moving around school buildings at times other than the scheduled passing time and utilizing outdoor spaces in order to participate in mask breaks, etc. With the increased movements of students, the servers that record the video streams can not process the high volume of data fast enough, leading to lost recordings. Adding an additional server at each school would split up the video recording data among additional hardware reducing the possibility of lost recordings. The camera recordings are used for COVID contact tracing as well as school security.	\$ 22,620	Yellow - wait to see how FY22 budget ends
Information Technology	Office 365 Implementation	This is a recommendation from both our cybersecurity audit and CoopSys. It would probably make our cyber-insurance carriers happy too. The project would involve migrating all Town and PD email accounts to a cloud service run by Microsoft. CoopSys would still act as our administrator for this account, making necessary configuration changes, adding and deleting accounts, etc., but the server itself would be outside of the Town network, maintained and secured by Microsoft. \$25,000 Implementation fee plus \$4000 per month in recurring costs (phase into operating budget and out of ARPA). \$ amount listed in cost column covers a March 2022 implementation and 12 months of recurring costs from ARPA. Inclusion of certain features may better enable remote work accessibility by town employees.	\$ 35,000	Green
Information Technology	Technology Refresh	In the near future we should look at having CoopSys update our core technology. They own it, but swapping it out will cost money and we have two options to pay for that... Up front or amortized into our monthly payments to them. With a lump payment we can be assured our monthly costs won't go up, so if we use ARPA money for this, that is how I would suggest we do it. I don't have a firm quote on this, but the basic numbers are \$15,000 for CoopSys's time to install and configure the new hardware and transfer our data. The cost of two new hosts (physical servers) and a new SAN (storage area network--disk drives where all the stuff lives) is roughly \$60-75,000. Assuming the high end, and paying all at once, this could be a \$90,000 project.	\$ 95,750	Green
Information Technology	Fiber Build out	There are a number of buildings throughout town that are interconnected via fiber optic. Examples include Town Hall, Company 1, Animal Control, and DPW, and BOE Central Office. The schools are also connected via a leased fiber link. The proposed project would expand the town's network to include the Library, Senior Center, Sycamore Pools Company #3, the Transfer Station and Countryside Park. A fiber connection will allow these facilities to interconnect to the Town's phone system, and access the main document server. It will also allow us to provide a more efficient and cost effective internet connection to these facilities. For the senior center in particular, upgraded internet will benefit the seniors and will enable the Town to utilize the community room for meetings that require a livestream component which is not currently possible with the current IT configuration. Note this project is still under development and cost estimate is not final.	\$ 760,000	Yellow - need more information

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Recreation	Renovate Senior Center Bathrooms	This project would renovate and update the men's and women's bathrooms at the senior. Bathrooms are original to the building and are not ADA accessible. They are heavily used by seniors and community groups using the community room. During the COVID Vaccination Clinics nurses and staff used the Senior side lavs and the public used the Community Room Lavs. Pricing includes a 10% contingency	\$ 130,100	Green
Recreation	Add Multi-purpose room at Sycamore	This project is to construct a multipurpose room at the Senior Center, to the east of the existing building. It would be approximately 48'x36', 1728 square feet, with a capacity of 75 people. It would be used for recreation programs, classes and small special events. Currently the Recreation Department's programming is limited to BOE buildings in the evenings and fee-based use on weekends. Before and presumably after COVID the Community Room is not always available for rec to use. Specifically when the Senior Center is open during the week and when the room is often booked by non-profit community groups, on weekends. This addition to the building would allow the Rec depart. to expand programming to all demographics. During COVID, Recreation was not allowed to use B.O.E. buildings, while the S.C. was closed to seniors, the Rec Dept. ran many small programs there. This allowed us to provide recreational opportunities and social interaction within guidelines mostly for children and some for adults. This was especially advantageous during the 5 colder months when outdoor activities were not feasible. Once the S.C. reopened 7/1/21 the Rec. Depart. was once again limited in its use of the building and again realized the constraints we are under to provide these services to our community many of whom were adversely effected by COVID. Expanding programming would positively impact the effects COVID has on mental health. Preliminary design: \$12,500; Construction Drawings: \$31,000; Bidding \$2,500; Contract Admin. 6,500. We would as we always do, design for the optimum energy conservation values. But, determining if LEED certification would be beneficial based on size of project	\$ 580,000	Green - updated regarding LEED cert info 3/7
Recreation	Buckingham Baseball infield - additional funding	This project is budgeted at \$40K in FY22 capital. Based on inflated costs we do not believe this is enough funding. The project would renovate the infield which includes replacing all of the material from the sub base material up to the engineered clay. The grass infield and pitchers mound would be rebuilt, sodded and laser graded. The baselines lips and hills would be cut back laser graded and resodded as well. This will improve drainage and playability. When CIAC and State cancelled sports and closed recreation areas, baseball lost an entire season. Once restrictions were eased, leagues went to great lengths to bring back play safely. Little League's enrollment numbers skyrocketed.	\$ 43,400	Green

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Recreation	Renovate Tennis Courts, Pickleball Courts and Basketball Courts at Sycamore	Sycamore Hills Tennis Court renovations are in the CIP. In addition to ripping them out and replacing them, this project adds 2 pickleball courts and relocates the basketball court to the east of the tennis courts. Tennis, pickleball and basketball were all sports that were among the first that people could safely play as guidelines allowed certain sectors to ease restrictions.	Staff Request	Red - revisit in future
	CONSTRUCTION		\$ 405,000	
	ADD LIGHTS		\$ 193,000	
Recreation	Shade Shelters - Various locations	This project would add 2 pavilions/shade shelter to the Sycamore Hills Pool area and a third pavilion to the playground area. More shade is frequently requested by members. During COVID the Rec Dept. implemented many strategies to provide members of the pool a safe experience at our facility. With the need for social distancing but little shade, people brought their own umbrellas. Attendance and memberships have been up the past 2 seasons. \$30K each for a 12'x12' structure with shipping, engineering, installation and concrete pad. 3 shelters = \$90K. Recreation staff feels there is a tree for shade near the playscape and if we can only purchase 2 shelters the preference would be to put two in the pool area.	\$ 90,000	Green - updated costs and description 3/7
Recreation	Fisher Meadows Pavilion Replacements	This project would replace 2 covered wooden pavilions each 20'x36' in Fisher Meadows. The new structures would match pavilion #3. During COVID many groups booked pavilions for meetings and gatherings because the CDC recommended outdoor activities. \$40K per pavilion	\$ 175,000	Yellow - clarify pricing
Recreation	Preliminary Planning & Engineering - Buckingham Recreational Area	Eng. Department has expressed the interest and ability to do the preliminary planning & engineering of improvements to Buckingham Recreation Area. Improvements outlined in the Master Plan include, construction of new tennis courts, basketball and volleyball courts, expanded paved and lighted parking areas, athletic lighting on existing fields. This may also be an appropriate site for a dog park, pickleball courts and a cricket court. Storm water runoff and erosion controls./bioremediation area. Construction of full service restrooms, with concession and storage. These recommendations will be reviewed and compared to current needs during the design process	\$ 27,000	Yellow

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Recreation	Lightning Protection System - Town wide	Installation of a Town-wide WXLIN Strike Guard Lightning Warning System. Transmitter would be located at AMS with siren and or strobe & solar stations at 8 parks and BOE sites. Technology employees cloud and cloud-to-ground lightning within a user-set range up to 20 miles. During programmable hours of operation the transmitter broadcasts digitally encrypted messages to activate the siren/strobe stations within 3 miles. In the interest of public safety park patrons rely on coaches, lifeguards, and each other to determine, incoming thunderstorms. This system removes the judgement all of humans and relays on science. In may parks it is not feasible to take shelter and socially distance. This system would provide timely warning systems allowing time for patrons to safely vacate the premise. Other Towns using this system: Greenwich (Harris Golf Course); Westport (Longshore Golf Course); New Canaan (Town parks and fields); Norwalk (Oak Hills Golf Course); Simsbury (Simsbury Farms); Newtown (town parks and fields); Berlin (Timberlin GC).	\$ 65,000	Yellow - updated 3/7 with information about other towns using system
Recreation	Stage for Sycamore Hills	This project would install a band shell at Sycamore Hills Recreation Area. It is a prefab kit that would provide a shelter for outdoor concerts and entertainment for the community. Concerts are no longer held on the Town Green, due to the competing noise from traffic on RT 44. During the Pandemic, the Rec Department held some special events outdoors. They were able to continue family movie night, but also held spring egg hunts, Halloween parties and camp carnivals each of these events where full and second sittings were added. The addition of a band shell would enhance these special events and expand outdoor offerings.	\$ 122,200	Yellow - would like to see Granby's band shell
Social Services	Increasing Access to Behavioral Health Care in Avon	During the pandemic, Avon Youth Services has fielded an increased number of calls with requests for Behavioral Health Services for youth. This request would enable Youth Services to provide services for an increased number of clients by utilizing the services of area non-profits. The request is for \$60,200 per year over two years but is scalable depending on the number of clients the Town wishes to serve.	\$ 120,400	Yellow - need to more clearly identify the scope of the project and the need.
BOE	VAV (Variable Air Volume Units) AHS classrooms	A variable air volume (VAV) box is a part of an HVAC system. The VAV regulates the volume of the air to the room by opening or closing the damper, thus controlling the amount of air directed to the room. VAVs are 25 years old. Plan would be to replace them all using ARPA funding over the course of 2 summers	\$ 341,000	Yellow - additional info provided (3/7)

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BOE	Library Carpet Rpl. District Wide	We are looking at replacing the carpet tile in the library spaces and think this falls under the "COVID-19 response, mitigation and preventive action" category . These older carpets (in addition to being old and worn) cannot be cleaned as well as the new carpet resulting in bacteria, viruses, etc. to collect in them. Our library spaces are where students congregate and sit on the floor, especially in grades PK-6. In the FAQ document, page 4, question 2.1 talks about support for congregate facilities including schools.	\$ 280,000	Red - revisit in a future CIP - note that BOE could do this in tranches and could do TBS and RBS with \$100K; request rest through CIP
		TOTAL	\$ 3,697,491	
Other Projects (note that many of these projects do not include cost estimates)				
DEPARTMENT	PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATE	STATUS
BOE	Expand Zoom Account to Include TOA (60 Zoom licenses and 2 Webinar licenses)	During COVID, Avon Public Schools held all their meetings remotely and continue to hold a majority of their meetings remotely. And now, in accordance with Public Act No. 21-46, Section 14, as amended by Section 390 of June Special Session, Public Act No. 21-2, effective July 1, 2021, each board of education must provide parents the option to attend parent-teacher conferences remotely. Additional Zoom licenses will allow school administrators and town officials the ability to host virtual meetings and to provide remote access for those parents wishing to attend remotely. In addition, the Zoom licenses will provide the school district and town the ability to host and better manage large group meetings virtually in a secure online platform.	\$ 6,780	Brown - no decision
Engineering	Rails-to-Trails Extension over Arch Road Railroad Bridge	The Farmington Canal Heritage Trail, or the Farmington Valley Greenway, was constructed in Avon in 1998. Trail users heading north will find that the trail currently leaves the State's railroad right-of-way (the former New Haven-Northampton line) at the Avon Department of Public Works facility (11 Arch Road), and proceeds down the Public Works driveway to Arch Road. Users then cross Arch Road at-grade and proceed north by northwest on Security Drive, northeast on Darling Drive, across Route 44 under an existing bridge, through Avon Park North, and through Avon Park South, eventually reconnecting to the former railroad ROW at Sperry Park. The project will improve the safety of trail users by rerouting the trail out of the DPW driveway (area noted in blue on Attachment C1) which is currently used by heavy equipment and trucks on a daily basis and allow safer pedestrian and cyclist access across Arch Road via the railroad ROW and the rail bridge, rather than the at-grade crossing as it currently exists. Design funding has been requested through an application to the CT DEEP's recreational trails grant program and the Town should be alerted to the status of its application in January 2022	unknown	Brown - no decision

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		<p>One additional project that I would think would be very helpful and would involve the following justifications:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Public safety 2. Preservation of public property, town office buildings 3. Economic development in connection with Village Center 4. Preservation of historic structures in existing Town office complex and nearby buildings. <p>The project would involve significantly broadening the study of the Nod Brook corridor as it flows through the entire Town Complex and through the abutting complex of Carpionato owned buildings to the north.</p> <p>The same stream also flows through the 20 acre property that will soon be dedicated to the Town as a new park as part of the Village center build out. This project would significantly broaden the study being undertaken by Fuss as part of current building 1 damage assessment.</p>		
Planning	Nod Brook Evaluation		unknown	Brown - no decision
Planning	Sidewalk Planning, Design & Construction	Darling Drive to O'Neil's Chevrolet along south side of West main Street. Project should also include decorative street lights such as the ones on Simsbury Road.	unknown	Brown - no decision
Planning	Bus Shelters	Bus shelters along West Main Street (2-3 shelters). Locate at Big Y, Marshall's and near Simsbury town line.	unknown	Brown - no decision
Planning	Pedestrian Crossing at Darling	Pedestrian activated crossing signal at Darling Drive near new development to improve pedestrian safety crossing to get to the trail. This will become even more of a need if the 20 Security Drive development is approved.	unknown	Brown - no decision
Planning	Improvements to Rt.44 Underpass	Funding for the study, design and construction of the improvement to the tunnel under West Main Street. Safety improvements and lighting are needed to improve the safety for bikers and pedestrians in this area and to access Avon Village	unknown	Brown - no decision
Planning	Sidewalks extension Arch to CC Road trail head	Sidewalks should be extended from Arch to the trail head south of CC. This could facilitate people walking to the center and the brewery.	unknown	Brown - no decision
Non-profits	Gifts of Love Exterior Building Improvements	Furnance Replacement at 34 East Main Street (\$8K); Repairs to Emergency Food Service Vehicle \$8K	\$ 16,000	Brown - no decision

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		<p>Thank you for allowing me to resubmit our ARPA request to the Avon Town Council on behalf of the Avon Historical Society for \$50,000. Below are the details of our new request based on an updated Proposed Capital Improvement Plan for the adaptive reuse of Schoolhouse No. 3, 8 East Main Street as well as extra money already raised by the Society for this project. According to the revised CIP of March 2022 with more accurate costs due to the pandemic, the following major items are to be completed by 2024: (1) removal and replacement of exterior siding, windows and rear exterior door (\$65K); replacement of roof on the rear addition (\$5K); installation of blown-in insulation inside all exterior walls (\$5K); installation of an HVAC system following museum recommendations (\$13K); upgrading of interior and exterior electrical and lighting (\$7K); installation of a fire alarm and security system (\$5K); installation of historically accurate custom front door (\$3K); installation of a new rear door ramp in compliance with ADA (\$10K). Total project cost \$113k. According to Public Works, \$10,500 of the \$30,000 allocated by Council in 2019 has been spent on the basement upgrades including a new restroom, walls, kitchen, and flooring, as well as chimney cap and flashing repair on the roof. That leaves \$19,500 to spend completing the basement work as well as what is listed above. To date the Avon Historical Society has raised \$47,550 for the renovation. (It will raise additional funding for interior exhibits, yet to be planned, which are NOT in the CIP.) Summary: \$113,000 - \$19,500 - \$47,550 = \$45,950 needed to complete. Rounding this up to \$50,000 to account for rising costs in 2023 is the Avon Historical Society's request of ARPA funds.</p>		
Non-profits	Avon Historical Society		\$ 50,000	Brown - no decision
Emergency Management	Update Emergency Operations Plan		\$ 18,000	Brown - no decision
General Government	Automated Tax Collection System	The Town's current collection system is Admins. While this system has been effective for many years and has been adjusted over time to better suit the Town's needs, the Collector of Revenue's Office notes major limitations and deficiencies in the system that are beyond the capabilities of Admins. It is the recommendation of the Collector's Office that the Town purchase and implement a new automated revenue collection system in order to more accurately and efficiently perform the necessary functions of the office.	\$ 84,000	Brown - no decision
Social Services	Enhancement of Dial-A-Ride Services	Additional 2 hours per day for ride reservations to ease access to transportation. Funds provide for two years of additional rides (\$13000 per year)	\$ 36,400	Brown - no decision
Social Services	COVID 19 Relief Fund	This fund would provide limited, one-time assistance to Avon residents adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible residents may receive assistance with rent, mortgage payments, auto expenses, utilities and food.	\$ 50,000	Brown - no decision
			\$ 261,180	

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Project Ideas from Public/Town Council Members				
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General Government	Renewable Energy	<p>I'm Jacklyn Tobin. I am an Avon resident with my husband and our 4 young children. We would like to propose a project idea for the funds received from the ARPA. We would really like to see Avon join and/or lead the way in renewable energy usage. There are many ways to dive into this area, whether it be through solar energy fields, wind turbines or hydro-powered turbines. Canton recently began using hydro-power with the Collinsville dam. Please see information about it here: https://cantonhydro.com/</p> <p>We absolutely must do our best to reduce carbon emissions. Even our best may not be enough, but this money offers huge potential to create new jobs, show other towns how to lead the way in renewable energy, and allows us to help create a cleaner environment. Our children need to have a future with a healthy planet.</p> <p>Please consider using this money towards renewable energy projects!</p>	unknown	Brown - no decision
General Government	Future of Avon Energy Plan	Would like to see something different than what other towns are doing as there is not much practicality to the document; they don't offer concrete ideas; would like to see a study that identifies locations for EV chargers, solar siting, techniques for incentivizing green development.	unknown	Brown - no decision
General Government	Connectivity Plan	Based on staff research, we recommend that a budget of \$60K would provide the town with a connectivity plan that would utilize the work that has already been done in this area.	\$ 60,000	Brown - no decision
Recreation	Softball Facilities	<p>Hello,</p> <p>I don't think I saw anything in the sheet allocating funds for improvements to the Avon softball program / facilities?</p> <p>Baseball is well funded with a lot of room, but softball is a struggle and we need to allow our girls equal opportunity...</p> <p>Thanks, Jason Chapman</p>	unknown	Brown - no decision
Recreation	Handicap Accessible Pavilion at Sycamore	<p>In looking over the new projects proposed for the Town of Avon, I was wondering if a pavilion that is handicap accessible from the parking lot can be added to Sycamore Hills. I recall there's a lovely pavilion up on the hill, but nothing is built there that is grade level from the parking lot. Many older folks might use Sycamore Hills more if there's a shaded area plus easier access from the parking lot. I would hate to lose the open playing fields there, so possibly build if off to one side to preserve the open playing fields for children's relay races, frisbee throwing, kickball games, etc.</p> <p>Thank you, Beth Ferrari</p>	unknown	Brown - no decision

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Recreation	Purchase of Blue Fox Run Golf Course	<p>I think a good project for the town would be to buy Blue Fox Golf Course. This way the town adds a municipal golf course. It could pair the course back to 18 holes and look at alternatives for the remaining land.</p> <p>Regards, Phil L. Ferrari 25 Cotswold Way</p>	unknown	Brown - no decision
Planning	Burnham Road Sidewalks	<p>To whom it concerns,</p> <p>I am writing with an idea which may not qualify for funds received under the ARPA, but I do think it is something the town should consider at some point. I propose that a sidewalk should be created along Burnham Road from Scoville to Country Club. I drive it often and I know it would require some planning as it is fairly narrow. But for that very reason, the need and concern is great because of the high volume of foot traffic, particularly among high school students and their teams. I truly am concerned that a pedestrian accident is at great risk along this road. I am curious if this is a project that has ever been considered and if not, if it could it be brought up for discussion.</p> <p>Thank you, Meghan Waskowitz 20 Oakengates</p>	unknown	Brown - no decision
Recreation	AVC Playground	Installation of a playground on open space to be donated to Town by AVC developer	unknown	Brown - no decision
Recreation	Sperry Park 2nd field	Contribute to Avon Little League efforts to raise funds to build a second field at Sperry Park. In keeping with the Recreation Master Plan.	\$ 250,000	Brown - no decision
Recreation	Thompson & AMS ball fields	Spruce up these fields to make them available for Little League practice	unknown	Brown - no decision
FVHD	Unknown	unknown	unknown	Brown - no decision
General Government	IT Solution for Avon Senior Center	A technological solution to facilitate virtual or hybrid meetings in Senior Center Community Room. Ability to implement this project may be based on the strength of the Senior Center's internet connection.	unknown	Brown - no decision