



Alton Council Denies ARPA Funds For Police, Fire Departments

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ALTON - Alton City Council members denied two requests for additional ARPA funds from the city's Police and Fire Departments at their meeting on Wednesday, May 24.

The Police Department was seeking \$27,970.33 to purchase 15 Bola Wrap devices, while the Fire Department was seeking \$47,481.87 for two new motors for their rescue boat as well as repairs to Fire Station #2.

Both requests failed to receive approval from the Committee of the Whole at their meeting on Monday, May 22 - at that meeting, the Fire Department's request was unanimously shot down with "no" votes from each council member. The Bola Wraps request never received a motion and failed without a vote.

Since both items "failed in committee," the City Council took no further action on them, effectively denying both requests.

A full recording of the May 24 meeting is available at the top of this story or on the [Riverbender.com Facebook page](#).