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R. Hill; J. Hatch;

Bond Hearing + Budget Review
Budget Committee 4no; 3yes -no

Bond Council said could override it;
Selectboard Meeting discussed that it could be
"Passage of this article will override the 10%
recommendation of the Budget"

w/warrant articles 10% of Budget could
be expended for repayment (must be included
prior to deliberative session).

Bond bank/counsel said no change
in 2024; change would occur in 2025

discussion regarding Bond Bank and how it
works - \$ awarded in Aug, interest starts
in Sept; First payment (interest) is Feb.

Amount could change @ deliberative session.

Ruby: Questions/Suggestions

Grant: USDA : Community Grant

- will help get a bank, but no funding for building
- discussion regarding what Grant covers/^{would} cover
expense v. gain
- what was discussed with grant
options

Suggestions - update flyer - include new diagram

Ruby - Master Plan Survey - public didn't hear information presented at the two prior

- Fact Sheet
- Confidential Information
- Video of facts

Fire Dept: Open House during 1st Sat. in Feb. in conjunction w/ Farmers ^{Grant} Mkt 8-noon

Stats #

- Mutual Aid - How many rec'd give.
- How many give.

vote would pass with 315 votes

Budget Committee concerns

- nay members - 1) \$ is a concern, but w/ the increase in taxes this year, felt that it might pass next year
- no other contact yet of other "nay"

FD is ^{note} a Garage to park trucks

- building to operate a FD ~~re~~ out

- trucks don't put out fires, Fire Fighters do!

- How have times changed?

- gear no longer leaves station
- equipment needs v. custom build

Fundraising - how much is paid for by FD; not w/ town funds

- Here's what FD does on own time
- items purchased
- Hours of training (in-kind donations)

→ Discussion regarding on what the wording on the warrant article.
and the interpretation of wording recommended by Bond Counsel.

Chief Martin asked if this ~~was~~ were approved who would be in charge of this project?

- Jess C said she would check w/ Andover
- what the Clerk of the Works - paid/~~job~~ ^{volunteer}
 - what are their responsibility

If ^{goes to} bid - suggested a sealed bids.

Mailing ready by March 1
Everyday Direct Mail Specs. @USPS.com

Also ready for Fire Dept. Open House
Discussion of layout for ~~the~~ Flyer - Building ^{red w/ gray} ~~with~~ ^{trim}

Discussion:

What is left to do to be ready if this passes?