Fire Department is requesting authority to accept and expend a grant...

Advisory Budget Committee presentation on budget.

Bids on Proposed Town Hall: The pre-bid meeting is at the ECLC at 3 PM December 21. Bids are due at the town planning department at 2 pm on January 8th and will be publicly opened and read aloud. There are no plans to take any action at that time other than open and record them. This will be done by SMP Architects. It is possible the opening will be delayed to Monday. *Does the Board want either of these posted as a meeting because a quorum may attend?*

Electric rate bid prices: Bid prices came in. Lowest last week (changes daily) 6.75 cents/kw for one year compared to Eversource at 8.98 cents now and 10.4 cents starting next year. While longer contracts are more per kw, even 3 years is below the current Eversource rate. *What does the board wish to do?*

2016 Budget changes: The police chief will want to move around some of the funds in his 2016 budget to better reflect his priorities. In addition we need to increase the phone line \$6,000 to cover the cost of the data terminals air card and the new internet line to tie to the county (these were not included in the budget when it was done last summer). The full time salary line will drop about \$5,000. Finance Director will request an increase in the contract lines to \$42,000. We spent over \$9,000 for CAI (tax mapping and GIS provider) out of the revaluation line which we believe should be in contracts and which wasn't budgeted in revaluation. There is a new charge of \$1482 for our motor vehicle software module. Also we anticipate \$1725 for additional Strafford County Registry expenses as they start charging more fees. Our software vendor may start charging more per support call. For these reasons we believe the correct number for Financial Administration contracts is \$42,000.

Schedule: Here is a proposed schedule for the next year. Meetings Mondays at 6:30 at ECLC <u>unless</u> <u>otherwise noted</u>. *Does the Board wish to make adjustments?*

December 21 Board makes decisions on budget going to public hearing

January 4 Public Hearing Bond and Budget

January 11,

January 14 Thursday (and/or 18 MLK day) If second public hearing to act upon petitions needed

While it would not require a meeting, by January 21 sign and post warrant could be impacted by zoning articles and whether those required a second hearing.

January 25 Meeting to prepare for Deliberative Session

January 30 Saturday at 9 AM Middle School Deliberative Session followed by BOS meeting

February 1 Snow date Deliberative Session and/or Board meeting (may not be needed)

February 15, February 29, March 14, 28, April 11, 25, May 2, 16, June 6, 27, July 11, 25, August 8, 22, September 7 (Wednesday of Labor Day week), 19, October 3, 17, 24, 31, November 7, 14, 21, 28, December 5, 12, 19

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