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Town Manager’s Report
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I’ve called on Skowhegan Savings Bank to review our current interest rates earned on all accounts. Our rates have not trended with rates set by the Fed and are not very competitive. Current rates are at 0.4%. They have countered with rates of 1.5% on accounts of \$1M or more; I’d like to see rates 1.6-1.85% on all regular accounts.

There is great uncertainty in the status of rank choice voting in the June primary election. I have authorized attendance for the annual conference in Bethel to ensure maximum training ahead of the potentially difficult election. The current plan is to keep the office open for business with back office staff. Beginning April 18, the office will be operating on limited staffing.

We have received initial estimates of the County budget. Less overlay, the proposed budget is at \$465,312 for our proportionate share. Estimating a 1% overlay, our county tax would be \$469,965 or approximately +\$900 over PY.

Drafting of a revised Downtown Parking Ordinance continues, which will better support the maintenance of the downtown area, especially through winter months. The Planning Board has also requested a review of the Site Plan Review Ordinance.

The Fire Department’s Truck Committee continues its independent work in creating an RFP for truck purchase. They are “close” in putting forth an RFP for a new truck, but not timeline has been definitively defined. I’ve requested a draft copy of the specs as soon as one becomes available.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 6PM Selectmen	5 6PM Planning Board	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 4:30 Sewer Mtg at WWTF	13	14
15	16 Patriots’ Day Office closed	17	18 5:30 Assessors 6PM Selectmen	19	20	21