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Public Hearing

Thomaston Select Board
Monday, February 14, 2022
6:00 p.m.
Select Board Room

Thomaston Municipal Building

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There will be a public hearing during the regular Select Board meeting to discuss the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) following expenditures:

Items for Public Hearing are:

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| 1) Premium bonus pay for First Responders (EMS, Fire, and Police)
March 2020 to June 30, 2021 | \$70,000 |
| 2) Stair-Pro Stryker Stair Chair for EMS Department | \$ 4,000 |
| 3) Axiom Feasibility Study for Broadband | \$15,000 |
| 4) Sewer Extension at Beechwood Street | \$25,000 |

What is ARPA? The American Rescue Plan delivers \$350 billion to state, local, and tribal governments across the country to support their response to and recovery from the COVID-19 public health emergency. Key components include:

- Fight the pandemic and support families and businesses struggling with its public health and economic impacts,
- Maintain vital public services, even amid declines in revenue, and
- Build a strong, resilient, and equitable recovery by making investments that support long-term growth and opportunity.

Thomaston will receive a total of \$289,897.91. The first half was received this past fall and the next half is slated for fall 2022. ARPA funds can only be spent on projects as outlined in the Final Ruling issued by the U.S. Department of Treasury such as replacing lost public sector revenue, public health and economic impacts, premium pay, water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.