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FEMA MONEY WILL AID BUDGET

LAGRANGE NY, APRIL 25, 2011: The U.S. Department of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has notified the Town of LaGrange that certain costs associated with the Christmas 2010 major winter storm have been approved to be reimbursed as a result a the previously announced disaster declaration.

\$64,491.07 has been approved as being eligible reimbursement for that one storm. That figure represents reimbursable costs from a 48 hour period beginning at 2:00PM on December 26 2010 and ending at 1:59 PM on December 28 2010.

"When received, this money will assist us as we plan for the start of the 2011-2012 winter season this November" Stated Supervisor Jon Wagner. Town budgets follow a calendar year so just when you are glad to see the expenses associated with a tough winter come to a close, reality sets in and you begin planning for November and December".

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FEMA Reimbursement

"Fuel prices will adversely affect all aspects of municipal budgets going forward, and this money will be a welcome addition to an already stressed budget" he added.

The Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response and the NYS State Emergency Management Office (SEMO) assist us by helping to coordinate meetings, communications and the paperwork necessary to complete the FEMA declaration and application process. "Without their assistance, a successful application process would not be possible" concluded Wagner.

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