

NORTHFIELD BUDGET COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of December 7, 2023

Present: Morris Boudreau, Amy O'Hara, Carl Bartlett, Ken Tripple, and Scott Haskins, Sel. Mark Hubbell

Also Present: Town Administrator Stephanie Giovannucci

Chairman O'Hara called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Bartlett/Boudreau moved to appoint Amy O'Hara as Chair. Motion Passed Hubbell/Haskins moved to appoint Morris Boudreau as Vice Chair. Motion Passed

Hubbell/Haskins moved to accept the minutes of 4/13/2023 meeting. Motion passes.

Board discussed the meeting scheduled and agreed to meet the First and Third Thursday at 5:00 pm.

Board reviewed the outside agencies to determine who they wanted to meet with.

Sel. Hubbell pointed out the cuts that the departments made, mostly through the payroll lines leaving the overall budget at only a 1.6% increase from last year which was up 3.4%

Carl Bartlett asked why we have 9 officers, Sel. Hubbell replied because it's a 24/7 operation and you need the coverage for the shifts.

Mr. Haskins questioned the Tilton Senior Bus and it's use. Mrs. Giovannucci stated that currently Northfield has one regular community member who uses the bus three times a week, and another member who uses it possibly once a month, each at \$10 per day.

Board discussed further which agencies they wanted to meet with and agreed all except for Park Cemetery and Old Home Day.

Scott Haskins asked for Youth Assistance to reach out to businesses for donations, and that only happened once.

Carl Bartlett asked to add the votes of the warrant at the end of the warrant articles.

Board agreed that they would like their meeting recorded and available on the website.

Next meeting will be December 21, 2023 at 5pm.

There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 7:09pm

Minutes approved December 21, 2023