

NORTHFIELD BUDGET COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF January 19, 2012

Present: George Corliss, Leif Martinson, Keith Murray, Gretchen Wilder, Lisa Swancott, Jared Hebert, Dennis Allen

Also Present Mary Ahlgren, Tony Cross, Bill Wilder, Jim Doane, Brittani Stewart, Dick Maher, Greg Peverly, Deb Peverly, Bob Petrin, Glenn Smith

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm

The Chair recognized Mary Algren, who responded to questions about the 2012 Hall Memorial Library budget request. Leif Martinson informed his fellow Committee members that he also serves as a Hall Memorial Library Trustee and will refrain from voting on this budget request, but is available to answer questions if needed. Committee members inquired as to winter maintenance at the Library and future CIP plans. Mary informed the members that the Trustees are seeking bids on repointing the brickwork on the building, and that they have hired a part time maintenance person to stay on top of maintenance issues.

The Chair recognized Jim Doane, who responded to questions concerning the 2012 budget request of the TNRC. Committee members inquired as to insurance costs, salaries, and auto expenses. Jim outlined their recent successes in the areas of grant funding and reviewed the issues surrounding pricing for programs. Committee members congratulated him on his success this year with obtaining grants.

The Chair recognized Dick Maher who reviewed the history and goals of the Northfield Economic Development Corporation. Keith Murray informed his fellow Committee members that he serves on the Board of NEDC and will refrain from voting on this budget request, although he is available to answer questions about it. Keith stated that the goal of NEDC is to promote slow responsible growth and to increase our tax base. He reviewed the working relationship between NEDC and Capital Region Development Corporation.

Committee members decided to review salaries, CIP and revenues next week.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.