## Enfield Budget Committee November 17, 2011 DPW 6:00PM

**Members Present:** Doug Pettibone (Chair), Lori Saladino, Sam Eaton (Vice Chair), Shirley Green, Gail Malz, Gayle Hulva, Paul Mirski, Annabelle Bamforth, Fred Cummings

**Excused:** Janet Shepard

Administration: Steve Schneider

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm.

**Administrative:** It was moved by Gayle Hulva and seconded by Shirley Green to approve the minutes from the November 10, 2011 meeting. There was some discussion/clarification concerning the wording for the Enfield Channel 8 board. The change was corrected and the minutes were approved.

## New Business:

<u>4550 Library:</u> Amount requested is \$122,941 Marjorie Carr presented next year's budget to the committee and explained in detail the line items within the libraries budget. She expanded on some details concerning the cutbacks in the state budget and how it may affect the inter-library lending. The state provided funding for a van to deliver books between libraries and that has been cut from the state budget. There is still some questions concerning how this service may be funded next year and how it may affect the projections presented to the committee. The line item for salaries was discussed and it is listed as others as being fully staffed with the 2% increase in salaries. There is a software upgrade anticipated within the next five years.

4589 Historical Records: Amount requested \$610 Mrs. Carr also explained some details concerning binding of books, placing town reports on microfilm and costs associated with historical records.

<u>4651 Economic Development:</u> Amount requested is \$9000. Dolores Stuckhoff, executive director of EVS, gave a detailed presentation concerning EVS. It included their mission, past activities, current activities, and what they would like to do in the future. She also gave some details concerning their operating budget and other potential sources of funding.

4520 Parks and Recreation: Amount requested \$56,050 Again the first line

item concerning salaries takes into consideration a full staff with the 2% increase in salaries. There was some discussion concerning the summer program and the differences in the cost of the morning and afternoon programs. The afternoon program is fully funded by the fees associated with it. The Enfield Farmers' Market was also discussed. There have been some changes in the sponsorship for the market but it currently falls under the responsibility of the parks and recreation department.

<u>4210 Public Safety Police Department:</u> Amount requested \$671,925 the personnel line takes into consideration being fully staffed with a 2% increase built in. Appropriations between line 115 and 630 are similar to last years'; however, some of the costs have been moved between them. Currently there are 7 full time officers and their will be a new graduate from the academy in a couple of weeks. The requested amount for overtime is down slightly because they are trying to provide the services needed by scheduling appropriately. Some changes made over last year are an increase in dispatch, a server was purchased this year and the T1 line was eliminated.

<u>4212 Police Reimbursable Projects:</u> This amount accounts for things like traffic control that may be required. The wages are paid out of this account; however, the money will be offset by billable income.

## <u>4290 Emergency Management:</u> Amount requested \$800

The December 1st meeting has been cancelled. The next meeting will be Saturday, December 10 at the DPW at 8:30am. The capitol plan will be presented at the select board meeting on December 5th so it will be nice to have as many budget committee members present as possible.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56pm.