

## Enfield Budget Committee Meeting

October 18, 2007

DPW - 6:00PM

Present:

Lee Carrier, Chair  
Curtis Payne, Selectman  
Richard Martin  
Steve Schneider, Town Manager  
Gail Malz  
Dave Stewart  
Roberta Morse  
Shirley Green  
Judy Finsterbusch

Excused:

Gayle Hulva

Guests:

Marjorie Carr  
Dan Kiley  
Francine Lozeau  
Bob Cusick  
Judy Kmon

Lee called the meeting to order at 6:03PM by welcoming the guests and members of the committee. Dan Kiley gave a short presentation concerning the proposed plans for the Enfield Library project. Details of the specifics were covered in a handout made available to all committee members.

The main highlights included:

- no specific site decided upon yet
- 7500 sq.ft.
- single floor
- possible second floor in center only
- vicinity of school
- Whitney Hall Theater could remain on site
- Town offices could be moved from basement to Library quarters

The main differences between this proposal and the proposal defeated at last year's Town meeting are:

- Upfront monies (from undesignated funds) cannot be spent prior to building and building will not begin until \$1.5 million is raised.

- There will be no bond issue. This means there will only need to be 50% approval.

- The library will be freestanding.

Negotiation is underway. Options made on properties - trying for 18-24 month lockin.

Lee asked what would happen if the \$1.5m is not raised. Dan Kiley responded that he would not come back to the Budget Committee with any request until the monies are raised.

There will be \$150,000 requested in the 2008 Town Budget by the Library Committee to be used for new architectural plans.

Dave Stewart asked if there will be room in a new library for historical documents, gun displays, etc. to which Marjorie Carr responded, yes.

Judy Finsterbusch nominated Lori Saladino to fill in the Budget Committee slot vacated by Lori Bliss-Hill. Judy gave a brief synopsis of Lori's qualifications and interest in serving. Steve Schneider requested that Lori be asked to submit to him an e-mail letter indicating her interest in serving on the Budget Committee. Lee seconded the nomination, all in favor.

Lee distributed various handouts to provide some background on Capital Outlay, Capital Reserve, Outlay & Reserve Totals and CIP 11-year Averages, to help describe the overall budget philosophy used in managing the budget.

Rich motioned to adjourn at 7:15P, Shirley seconded, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith M. Finsterbusch  
Acting for Secretary