



## Town of Enfield TIF Committee Minutes

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February 20, 2014

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4 **Present:** David Saladino, Chairman, TIF Committee members Shara Buffington, Lori Bliss  
5 Hill & Rob Maltz, Bob Cusick-CIP Committee rep, Steve Schneider - Town Manager, Scott  
6 Osgood - Town Planner  
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10 David Saladino opened the meeting noting the purpose of the meeting is to discuss the action of  
11 the Town Administration in adding work to the TIF list without the approval of the TIF  
12 committee. The work is to replace a culvert at Lovejoy Brook. This project had been placed on  
13 the Town Warrant noting this would be part of the work of the TIF District. Mr. Saladino noted  
14 this concept was not brought to nor approved by the TIF Committee prior to including in the  
15 Town Meeting warrant. All members of the committee present noted agreement with this  
16 position.  
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18 The current condition of the culverts was discussed. At present, there are two 48 "culverts. It was  
19 noted these culverts fail regularly in heavy rains.  
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21 It was noted that there is only one residence, as well as two businesses located north of the  
22 culverts: Aiken Self Storage and LaCroix property and two Town wells.  
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24 Concern was expressed that this work greatly benefits one property owner. Discussion was held  
25 as to whether the one property owner should be asked to cover part or all of the cost of the  
26 culvert replacement.  
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28 This idea was not considered to be a fair request, as it is a Town Road that is being upgraded,  
29 which is a Town responsibility.  
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31 The recommended work to the culverts is to replace them with a 4ft by 8 ft box culvert.  
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33 The majority of funding for the work is expected to be from a Hazard Mitigation grant from  
34 FEMA. The value of the grant is expected to be \$200,000, with a 75%-25% split (i.e. 25% Town  
35 match required). The Town will be able and expected to do some of the work. The issue was  
36 discussed with the CIP committee and is in line with the work as it is in the Hazard Mitigation  
37 Plan. FEMA grants are awarded in May.  
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39 Inclusion on the TIF list would demonstrate Town support for the project. The TIF committee  
40 took a straw poll to see whether they would support the inclusion at this time. No members  
41 approved, 4 members did not support the inclusion. It was noted the committee felt it was  
42 blindsided in the late request.

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44 The Town Manager apologized to the TIF committee for not meeting with them to get their  
45 approval to include the work.  
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47 The Town manager noted the grant has already been filed. If successful, the work would need to  
48 go before the Budget Committee and Town Meeting for full approval. David asked what the  
49 situation would be if Town Meeting did not approve the expenditure....Steve noted the  
50 Selectboard would have the option to reallocate funds. Steve noted he would combine the request  
51 into one article for Town meeting.  
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53 Bob noted the CIP committee initially did not like the idea, and it was not on the CIP list two  
54 years ago. They have since agreed it may be considered for inclusion on the CIP schedule next  
55 year.  
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57 It was noted that in the future the CIP and TIF committees should coordinate better. TIF chair  
58 agrees and noted a follow-up meeting should be considered for September.  
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60 The Town Manager noted the Selectboard has a duty to encourage and enable long range  
61 planning and visioning to guide the work of other Town committees and avoid targeting an  
62 uneven mix of projects. It was noted that a District Director could be valuable to keep the plans  
63 coordinated.  
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65 David noted the TIF plan is to be upgraded to be more consistent with the RSA. Scott was asked  
66 to provide a template for this update.  
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68 Meeting adjourned.  
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