

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD BUDGET WORK SESSION  
FEBRUARY 10, 2011**

At 5:00pm, this meeting was called to order by Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk. It was properly advertised according to Public Law 75, Chapter 231.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mr. Dewees, Mrs. Kern, Mr. Perri, Mr. Polistina, Mr. Smith, Mr. Vain,  
Mr. Carew

**FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was led by Mayor Mazzeo; following the flag salute a moment of silence was observed.

Council President Carew reviewed a list of potential capital projects for 2011, based on recommendations of the City Engineer. Projects included roads, storm sewer and sanitary sewer systems.

Councilman Polistina, Finance Chair, stated there have been in-committee meetings to discuss the budget. This is the first Council budget workshop, and there will be more.

Mayor Mazzeo noted that all concessions made by various unions in 2010 are no longer in effect. Mayor Mazzeo said the negotiations for the PBA contract are ongoing; theirs is the only contract that is up this year.

CFO Dolcy explained that the City lost \$9 million in assessed value due to the revaluation. She explained the levy cap and exceptions, including allowances. At present we are over the cap by approximately \$300,000. State aid figures are not yet known. As in the past, we are using 50% of the surplus in the budget. She proceeded to review the budget line by line. At present, we are at an 11% increase over last year; which amounts to a 10 cent increase.

Councilman Vain inquired about the return of funds from the Library; Dolcy replied that the issued will be discussed at the meeting of the Library Board this evening.

Council President Carew said meetings with individual departments will be held to find ways to come in under the cap.

Councilman Vain read the meeting notices.

At 6:11pm, on motions properly made and seconded, this meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk