

Minutes of meeting of The Neighborly Barre Committee

Monday, January 5, 2026 Roosevelt Room Alumni Hall

Present: Tracie Lewis, Beth Hilgartner, Ginger Cloud, Joanne Reynolds, Ernie Drown, Marjorie Strong. And guest Peter Anthony.

By unanimous vote, Tracie Lewis was elected as chair.
Ernie Drown was elected secretary.

Discussion of future projects, and individuals and organizations whose input would be helpful.

Aldrich Library. Good resource. Children of Vietnam War.
Bilateral art movement program. Will ask a library staff person to next meeting.
Friends of the Library.

Discussion about getting the word out
Senior center.
Health and wellness.

Discussion about our logo(s), but no decisions were made.

Peter Anthony brought up amenities in downtown Barre, and the tension about who should be welcomed downtown.

Discussion of our Pay It Forward plan....getting businesses to participate. Donations. Posters, signage, a document about this. How to support the funding? Do we need a treasurer? Funds go to Barre Partnership NB subcategory. What items are covered? Gasoline? It was decided that Pay it Forward proposal would be the focus of our next meeting.

Having a future meeting with as many interested persons and organizations present for brainstorming was discussed.

Next meeting is February 5, 2026 in the Roosevelt Room at 1 pm.

Here is the Pay It Forward proposal as it stands:

[Pay it Forward Campaign](#)

Community budget survey. Barre Regroup.

Logo contest.

Next meeting a brainstorming session. Or March.