

PUBLIC HEARING
Town of Westfield
May 3, 2005

The public hearing was called to order by Supervisor Bills at 7:15 p.m. in Eason Hall, 23 Elm Street, Westfield, NY, with the following members and guests present:

Supervisor:	Martha R. Bills	Guests:	Julie Spears
Councilmen:	Raymond Schuster		Claire Quadri
	David Brown		Jack Gulvin
	Carl Vilardo Jr.		Janet Nass
Guests:	Claude Abbey		Harold Nass
	Elaine Hall		Conrad Vicary
	Charles Lillie		James Rush

Supervisor Bills stated that the meeting was being held to hear all persons in regard to Local Law No. 2 of 2006, Regulating Adult Uses within the Town of Westfield. The Town Clerk furnished proof of publication. Mrs. Bills explained briefly that adult uses would be located in the Town's Manufacturing district, which includes parts of Bourne and Persons Streets. This law is similar to the one currently in effect in the Village. There was one inquiry from the audience regarding licensed massage therapists. Everyone agreed that this law would not inhibit the operation of licensed therapists in other areas of the Town. There being no further questions, at 7:30 p.m. Martha Bills moved and Raymond Schuster seconded a motion to close the hearing. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L. Briggs, Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING

Town of Westfield

May 3, 2006

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Bills at 7:30 pm. in Eason Hall, 23 Elm Street, Westfield, NY, with the following members and guests present:

Supervisor:	Martha R. Bills	Guests: Elaine Hall
Councilmen:	Raymond Schuster	Claude Abbey
	Carl Vilaro Jr.	Julie Spears
	David Brown	Jack Gulvin
Guests:	Claire Quadri	Janet Nass
	Conrad Vicary	Harold Nass
	Charles Lillie	James Rush

David Brown moved and Raymond Schuster seconded a motion to waive the reading of the minutes as all members had received a copy thereof and that the minutes be approved. Unanimously carried.

The Town Clerk's report together with a check in the amount of \$7592.19 representing fees for the month of April, 2006, was turned over to the Supervisor. State and county agencies received checks totaling \$577.51.

The Dog Warden's report for the month of April, 2006, was read and placed on file.

The Supervisor's report is as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenues YTD</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Current Bal. Check.</u>	<u>MM</u>
A – Gen.	\$ 374,329	\$ 137,451	\$ 1,798.21	\$ 561,359.32
B – Gen	87,923	26,121	45.72	100,484.40
DA – Hwy	362,552	87,082	1,033.54	443,521.94
DB – Hwy	80,478	10,725	-0-	302,162.30
Sewer – HO1	22,914	18,528	-0-	17,053.82
Water – HO2	46,833	36,249	-0-	74,077.56
Wfd FD	57,987	-0-	-0-	58,146.92
Sherm FD	7,210	-0-	-0-	7,336.26
Totals	\$1,040,226	\$ 316,056	\$ 3,448.14	\$1,564.92

Code Enforcement Officer, Jack Bills, was not in attendance, however, his report reflected two building permits and a Special Use Permit for David Babcock, which he will be referring to the Planning Board.

Highway Superintendent, Charles Lillie, reported on the following:

1. The Town received over \$12,000 for the old equipment sent to the auction at Gerry.
2. He would like to purchase a computer for his office. There are funds in his budget for this. The Town Clerk stated that there will be a highway program available from Southern Tier West and Chuck stated that several of the Highway Superintendents had offered their help.
3. The new doors for the back building should be installed next week.
4. One new dock at the pier has been installed except for the railing.
5. He would like permission to go out for bids for a new chopper/grinder for the tractor. There was no objection from the board.

Supervisor Bills thanked Mr. Lillie for the work the highway crew had done in cleaning up the beach area at Barcelona.

Supervisor Bills stated that the pier would be opening this weekend. The Harbor Commission had decided to purchase a wooden tool shed for approximately \$1500. It should be delivered at the end of May.

Mrs. Bills opened the meeting to questions from the audience. Mr. Vicary stated that the Village was cutting trees along the electric lines on his property. He was told to contact the Village. Claude Abbey stated that although the Town places barrels at the beach parking lot, they are often overflowing and should be looked at. The Board stated that they would look into having containers provided instead of the barrels.

Supervisor Bills made the following announcements:

1. The Concord Grape Belt Assoc. has received a grant to construct kiosk's in the area. At this time the proposed site for Westfield would be the Village Park or the pier at Barcelona. They will be 6 ft. high, 3 ft. wide, and be three-sided.
2. The Norfolk & Southern railroad crossing on North Gale Street will be closed May 8 through May 12 for repairs.
3. The Town of Ripley is adopting a new zoning map that has been furnished to the Town offices.
4. The Assessor for the Town of Westfield has received the new numbering system for tax parcels. This will be available to the public at a cost of \$20.

The Board set a meeting for Thursday May 25, 2006, at 3:30 p.m. to work on the personnel handbook.

David Brown moved and Raymond Schuster seconded a motion to sign the "Shared Services Agreement" with Chautauqua County. This is a general agreement, a more specific format may be submitted at a later date.

A discussion was held regarding contributing to the Cable 5 Access Channel. Sid Compton with the Town of Chautauqua has been soliciting all the towns and villages in the area for contributions for this information channel. Martha Bills moved and David Brown seconded a motion to contribute \$500 of our franchise fees. Voting was as follows: Martha Bills, aye; David Brown, aye; Raymond Schuster, aye; Carl Vilardo, nay.

The Town and Village have been involved in a three year study to beautify areas in the Town and Village with trees and shrubs. The Village has received a grant for trees and would like to begin planting as soon as possible. They are asking that we up-front our portion of the money so that they can get started. David Brown moved and Raymond Schuster seconded a motion to do so. Voting was as follows: Martha Bills, aye; David Brown, aye; Raymond Schuster, aye; Carl Vilardo, nay. A brief discussion followed with Mrs. Bills stating that the Village is committed to caring for the new trees and shrubs. Since the Village is looking for donations for shrubs, it was suggested that we might run a campaign to "adopt-a-tree".

Even though the Town has shared a driveway on West Main Road at the site of the Town's gravel pit, with Mr. David Eggert for many years, the DEC now would like an agreement between the Town and Mr. Eggert for their records. Raymond Schuster moved and Carl Vilardo seconded a motion authorizing the Supervisor to sign an agreement subject to final approval of counsel. Unanimously carried

The board set a public hearing for 7:15 p.m., June 7, for Local Law No. 3 of 2006, Subdivision provisions.

The Town Clerk appraised the Board of the necessity of replacing the fence for the holding area at Northern Chautauqua Canine Rescue at a projected cost of \$1500. NCCR has offered to pay \$500 of this cost. The rest will come from their budget with the Town.

The Town Clerk spoke about records preservation. She has been in contact with Brown's River Records Preservation Services out of Essex, VT. Their representative came to Westfield at her request to survey our vital record books. We have many books in desperate need of repair, especially the two volumes of Road Records. These books hold the original surveys for setting up the roads in the Town of Westfield. There are approximately 18 books that need attention. She stressed the need for developing a program that will provide funding on an annual basis. Since she has money available in her budget this year, she will be sending the road books for repair at a cost of \$1845.

Warrants dated 05/03/06 in the amount \$46,032.98 drawn on the following funds: \$21,237.61 General, \$14,400.00 Part Town General; \$7,586.38 Highway; \$2,350.07 Part Town Highway; \$12.82 HO1 and \$446.10 T & A were presented and audited by the board members. Carl Vilardo offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

Resolution No. 20

That the Supervisor be directed to draw the necessary checks to cover the warrant as audited.

This was seconded by David Brown. Voting was as follows: Martha R. Bills, aye; Carl Vilardo, aye; David Brown, aye; Raymond Schuster, aye.

There being no further business, at 8:40 p.m. David Brown moved and Raymond Schuster seconded a motion to move to Executive Session to discuss Personnel and Litigation. Unanimously carried.

At 9:25 p.m. Carl Vilardo moved and Raymond Schuster seconded a motion to return to regular session and adjourn. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L. Briggs, Town Clerk