

**TOWN BOARD MEETING
Town of Westfield
December 7th, 2007**

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

Supervisor:	Martha R. Bills	Guests:	James Pacanowski
			James Herbert
Councilmen:	Raymond Schuster		Jack Gulvin
	Carl Vilardo		Sandy Brown
	Donald Nash		David Babcock
	David Brown		Janet Nass
Guests:	Anthony Piscoli		Claude Abbey
	Shirley West		Marybelle Biegh

David Brown moved and Donald Nash seconded a motion to waive the reading of the minutes inasmuch as all members 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 \$16,672.98 representing fees for the month of November 2007 was turned over to the Supervisor. State and County agencies received checks totaling \$1591.67.

The Supervisor's report is as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Checking Balance</u>	<u>Key - MM Balance</u>
Gen A	\$586,004.00	\$471,128.00	\$1,360.13	\$510,424.57
Gen B	86,841.00	89,431.00	55.72	51,723.70
Hwy DA	304,511.00	316,405.00	198.62	262,613.32
Hwy DB	382,818.00	388,569.00	1.32	228,844.38
Sewer HO1	23,936.00	24,299.00	-0-	16,508.29
Water HO2	48,269.00	41,757.00	-0-	84,664.95
Wfd. Fire	79,761.00	20,000.00	-0-	60,809.77
Sherm. Fire	7745.00	7858.00	-0-	168.25
Totals:	\$1,519,885.00	\$1,359,447.00	\$1,615.79	\$1,215,757.23

The Dog Warden's report for November 2007 was received and placed on file.

The Fire Department Report for November 2007 was received and placed on file.

The Historian report for November 2007 was received and placed on file.

Code Enforcement Officer James Pacanowski discussed the status of Wind Project Meteorological towers in the Town (both existing and proposed). He noted that "AWS True

Wind” was sent a certified letter pertaining to removal of the 2 existing towers. He also noted that Burnside Auto Repair is moving to West Main Street.

In Public Comment, Mr. Greg Rater of Sherman, NY (who was recently denied a permit for signage in the Town of Westfield) requested to pursue this matter further. He was asked to discuss the matter with the Code Enforcement Officer.

Announcements:

Supervisor Bills provided updates on some current projects which included:

- The pending Fishway Project in Chautauqua Creek (Village has the lead / Town Supervisor & Mayor recently met on-site with the Army Corps of Engineers)
- Seaway Trail (new information Kiosk delivered to the Town for installation at the pier in the Spring)
- A Concorde Grape Heritage Association Kiosk for Moore Park
- Wind Project (Escrow account established with funds from Babcock & Brown to remove new Met Towers upon expiration of SUP’s)

Old Business:

Councilman David Brown provided an update on the specifications and bidding status for a new or close to new Fire Truck for the Westfield Fire Dept.

Councilman Raymond Schuster provided an update on the addition project for the Town Highway Department building.

New Business:

Carl Vilardo moved and David Brown seconded a motion that a \$1000 donation be given to the Chautauqua County Snowmobile Club to be used towards the purchase of Snowmobile Groomer for the county’s trails. This was unanimously approved.

A Public Hearing for the Senior Citizen Real Property Tax Exemption was scheduled for January 9th, 2008 at 7:25pm.

David Brown offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

Resolution No. 47 of 2007

(Authorization to file for NYS EPF Assist. for the Concord Grape Belt Heritage Area Management Plan)

BE IT RESOLVED that Town of Westfield Supervisor Martha R. Bills is hereby authorized and directed to file an application for funds from the New York State Department of State Environmental Protection Fund in accordance with the provisions of Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 or the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000. Upon approval of said application, she is to enter into and execute a project agreement with the State for such financial assistance to the Town of Westfield for the *Concord Grape Belt Heritage Area Management Plan*.

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

David Brown offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

Budget Resolution #4 for Budget Year 2007
(Budget Amendments)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby approve the following budget amendments:

Amendment Description		Increase Expenditures	Decrease Revenue
<u>B FUNDS – General Outside Village</u>			
Safety Inspection - CE	56.3620.4B	\$2000	
Planning - CE	99.8020.4B		\$2000
To increase budgetary revenue and expense to match Actual revenue received from NYS DOS / VPLEWOP			
Contract with State	9680.30	\$14,974.86	
Other / State Aid	28.3089A	\$14,974.86	
<u>DB FUNDS – Highway Outside Village</u>			
Medical / Hospital	98.9060DB	\$300	
General Repairs - CE	72.5110.4		\$300

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

Donald Nash moved and Carl Vilardo seconded a motion that the Supervisor be directed to draw the necessary checks to cover the warrant as audited. Voting was as follows: Martha Bills, aye; Raymond Schuster, aye; David Brown, aye; Donald Nash, aye; Carl Vilardo, aye.

The next Town Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 9th, 2008 @ 7:30pm.

At 8:45pm Supervisor Bills moved and Donald Nash seconded a motion to move to Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Unanimously carried.

At 9:00pm Supervisor Bills moved and Raymond Schuster seconded a motion to return to regular session. Unanimously carried.

At 9:01pm David Brown moved and Carl Vilardo seconded a motion to adjourn. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,
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Timothy C. Smith, Town Clerk