

TOWN BOARD MEETING

Town of Westfield
October 7th, 2009

- 7:20pm Public Hearing (Westfield Fire District)
7:25pm Public Hearing (Sherman Fire District)
- 7:30pm Town Board Meeting
1. Minutes
 - September 2nd, 2009 / Town Board Meeting
 - September 22nd, 2009 / Special Meeting (2010 Budget Workshop)
 2. Monthly Reports
 - Supervisor's Monthly Report
 - Town Clerk's Monthly Report (Received 2010 Tentative Budget)
 - Dog Warden's Report
 - Fire Dept. Monthly Report
 - Historian's Monthly Report
 - Town Court Report
 2. Highway
 3. Code Enforcement
 4. Barcelona Harbor
 6. Public Comment

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OLD BUSINESS

- Tentative Budget / Set Budget Hearing
- Project Updates (Wind, East Main Water Project, Grant for Lakefront Plan)
- East Main Water Project Appointments
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NEW BUSINESS

- Resolution #47 - Heritage Area Management Plan
- Resolution #48 - Support of Westfield Memorial Hospital
- Appointment of Amanda Ferguson as DCO
- Set Public Hearing date for 1 year extension of Ceci SUP (Culver Road / 4 Nov 2009)
- Set Budget Hearing
- Bookkeeper Training / Accounting Seminar (19 October 2009)

Audit of Bills

Next Meeting - November 4th, 2009

Executive Session - (if necessary)

Resolution #47 of 2009
Heritage Area Management Plan

WHEREAS, the Town of Westfield, in partnership with the Concord Grape Belt Heritage Association, Inc., (“Association”) is preparing a Heritage Area Management Plan for the Lake Erie Concord Grape Belt Heritage Area pursuant to Section 35.03(1)(s) of the Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation Law, and

WHEREAS, the Town has been awarded a \$150,000 grant to produce the Management Plan by the Office of Coastal Management, Local Government and Community Sustainability of New York’s Department of State, and

WHEREAS, the Association’s advisory committee has reviewed several proposals from consultants to assist with the plan and anticipates hiring one or more consultant in the near future, and

WHEREAS, as part of the grant conditions the Town Supervisor will be required to execute an agreement with the consultant(s) selected,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to enter into agreements with the firm or firms selected by the Association to provide the necessary consulting services during the preparation of the Association’s Heritage Area Management Plan.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign the New York State Community Development Block Grant Agreement for Project #1237PW93-08 (East Main Road).

Resolution No. 48 of 2009
Support of Westfield Memorial Hospital

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health has mandated that by June 30, 2010 the Westfield Memorial Hospital must close its emergency room and convert to a 12-hour urgent care facility, and

WHEREAS, an urgent care facility with limited hours would not be able to accept ambulances carrying patients in true emergency circumstances, and those patients would have to be transported instead to emergency rooms in Dunkirk, New York, Jamestown, New York, or Erie, Pennsylvania, all more than 30 minutes from Westfield in the best of weather, and

WHEREAS, the mandate would impose a severe hardship on the elderly, our significant Amish population, and anyone else in need of immediate medical attention, by delaying the provision of such treatment, it inevitably will result in greater injury or loss of life that could have been avoided with the immediate attention available at a true emergency care facility in Westfield, and

WHEREAS, the emergency room is a vital part of the Town of Westfield’s economy, providing employment to more than 50 people, and its closure would have a severe negative effect on the tax base of the Town of Westfield in a time of economic downturn,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Westfield believes it is imperative for the health and welfare of its constituents and the surrounding area that Westfield Memorial Hospital continue to provide emergency room services and that the quality of life in our community will be imperiled without access to this critical facility, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town of Westfield strongly urges the Department of Health to re-examine the life-safety impact of this decision and withdraw its mandate.