

PUBLIC HEARING
Town of Westfield
November 4th, 2015
(Town of Westfield 2016 Preliminary Budget)

Supervisor Bills called the public hearing to order at 7:20pm in Eason Hall, 23 Elm Street, Westfield, NY, with the following members and guests present:

Supervisor:	Martha R. Bills	David Babcock	Don Eno	Randy McNeal
Councilmen:	Raymond Schuster	Marybelle Beigh	Marion Eno	Dan Ackendorf
	David Brown	Joel Seachrist	Andrea Babcock	Taylor Irwin
	James Herbert	Harold Nass	Jack Gulvin	Byran Pelasa
	David Spann	Janet Nass	Mildred Simpson	
		William Bauer		

Supervisor Bills explained that the Public Hearing was being held to hear all persons in regard to the proposed 2016 Budget for the Town of Westfield. The total proposed Tax Levy is \$806,251 (amount to be raised by taxes). The tax rate for Town and Village residents is \$2.90 per \$1,000 of assessed property value.

There being no further business, David Brown moved and Raymond Schuster seconded the motion that the public hearing be closed at 7:24pm. This was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
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Timothy C. Smith, Town Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING
Town of Westfield
November 4th, 2015
(Special Assessment Roll for Improved Districts)

Supervisor Bills called the public hearing to order at 7:25pm in Eason Hall, 23 Elm Street, Westfield, NY, with the following members and guests present:

Supervisor:	Martha R. Bills	David Babcock	Don Eno	Randy McNeal
Councilmen:	Raymond Schuster	Marybelle Beigh	Marion Eno	Dan Ackendorf
	David Brown	Joel Seachrist	Andrea Babcock	Taylor Irwin
	James Herbert	Harold Nass	Jack Gulvin	Byran Pelasa
	David Spann	Janet Nass	Mildred Simpson	
		William Bauer		

Supervisor Bills explained that 2016 annual water and sewer charges for Town residents in Improved Districts were published in the Observer.

Charges are added to Town / County Tax Bills which come out in January each year. After questions were addressed and there being no further business, Martha Bills moved and David Spann seconded the motion that the public hearing be closed at 7:29pm. This was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
//original signed//
Timothy C. Smith, Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING
Town of Westfield
November 4th, 2015

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order at 7:35pm in Eason Hall, 23 Elm Street, Westfield, NY, with the following members and guests present:

Supervisor:	Martha R. Bills	David Babcock	Don Eno	Randy McNeal
Councilmen:	Raymond Schuster	Marybelle Beigh	Marion Eno	Dan Ackendorf
	David Brown	Joel Seachrist	Andrea Babcock	Taylor Irwin
	James Herbert	Harold Nass	Jack Gulvin	Byran Pelasa
	David Spann	Janet Nass	Mildred Simpson	
		William Bauer		

The Town Clerk's report together with a check in the amount of \$4830.16 representing fees for the month of October 2015 was turned over to the Supervisor. State and County agencies received checks totaling \$992.84.

The Supervisor's report is as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Checking Balance</u>	<u>MM Balance</u>
Gen. A	\$607,727.01	\$454,317.68	\$16,068.41	\$785,348.90
Gen B	104,966.37	71,732.25	75.18	91,536.62
Hwy DA	339,878.77	219,824.40	515.84	383,583.29
Hwy DB	216,018.93	375,281.63	37.64	34,406.91
Sewer HO1	22,609.90	20,139.22	-0-	4,533.43
Water HO2	15,876.74	11,997.50	-0-	102,319.55
Wfd. Fire	54,045.69	-0-	-0-	54,571.51
Sherm. Fire	9,541.66	9,536.00	-0-	108.19
Totals:	\$1,370,665.07	\$1,162,828.68	\$16,697.07	\$1,456,408.40

The Dog Warden's report for October 2015 was received and placed on file.

The Fire Department Report for October 2015 was received and placed on file.

The Historian's report for October 2015 was received and placed on file.

The Town Court report for October 2015 was received and placed on file.

Highway:

- The Town Highway Superintendent provided a written report for October 2015 and highlighted current projects which included winterization of the Harbor and finishing blacktopping.

Code Enforcement:

- The Code Enforcement Officer submitted a written report for October 2015 highlighting that noted 14 permits issued in the Town.
- Raymond Schuster moved and David Spann seconded a motion to waive the \$35 permit fee for construction of handicapped ramps. Unanimously carried.

Barcelona Harbor:

- Sheeting failed on a portion of the west breakwall therefore it is closed. Awaiting a report from the Army Corps of Engineers on a course of action for repair.

Public Comment:

- Janet Nass asked about the status of the Portage Inn and the Rae Foods building. Attorney Seachrist stated that the Chautauqua County Landbank is handling the Inn while the Rae Foods is in the hands of County IDA.
- Don and Marion Eno asked about the status of water for East Lake Road.

Supervisor Bills made the following announcements:

- Fall Planning and Zoning Conference (5 Nov 2015)
- Christmas in the Village Weekend / Holly Tour (21 & 22 Nov 2015)

Old Business:

- Supervisor Bill discussed the fact that there is an ongoing audit by USDA as part of the grant for the Barcelona Water Project. In addition, she noted that the plans for parking area at Moose Beach have been revised to include handicap parking.

New Business:

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- David Spann offered the following resolution and moved its adoption;

Resolution No. 59 of 2015
Adoption of 2016 Town of Westfield Budget

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Westfield hereby approves and adopts the 2016 Preliminary Budget as presented as the 2016 Town Budget.

This was seconded by James Herbert. Voting was as follows: Martha Bills, aye; James Herbert, aye; David Brown, aye; David Spann, aye; Raymond Schuster, aye.

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- David Brown offered the following resolution and moved its adoption

Resolution No. 60 of 2015
Approve the Special Improvement District Rolls

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Westfield, Chautauqua County, has completed an assessment schedule in connection with the proposed capital budgets, operation and maintenance charges, rates and/or rents to be levied and charged against those properties within the Special Improvement Districts in the Town of Westfield during the calendar year 2016, and has filed the same with the Town Clerk, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board caused due notice of the completion of said assessment schedule and of the time and place wherein the Town Board would meet to hear and consider any objections to said assessment schedule, to be duly published according to law, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board did meet at Eason Hall, 23 Elm Street, Westfield, New York on November 4th, 2015, the time and place specified in said notice and heard and considered all objections to said assessment schedule,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the said assessment schedule for 2016 be and the same is hereby affirmed and adopted as originally proposed and filed in the office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Westfield.

This was seconded by Raymond Schuster. Voting was as follows: Martha Bills, aye; James Herbert, aye; David Brown, aye; David Spann, aye; Raymond Schuster, aye.

- Warrants dated November 4th, 2015 (voucher #'s 11330 - 11420) in the amount of \$121,645.85 were drawn on the following funds:

General	\$70,755.67	Shorehaven Water Project	\$3.25
General Part-Town	\$12,380.00	Sherman FD	\$0.00
Highway	\$14,621.15	Trust & Agency	\$810.56
Highway Part-Town	\$6,011.76	Welch Building	\$17,043.20
Sewer Fund	\$20.26	Welch Building Plantrol	\$0.00
Welch Bldg Operating	\$0.00	Barcelona Water	\$0.00

These were presented and audited by the Board members. James Herbert moved and Martha Bills 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; James Herbert, aye; Raymond Schuster, aye; David Brown, aye; David Spann, aye.

The next Town Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 9th, 2015 @ 7:30pm.

At 8:25pm David Spann moved and James Herbert seconded a motion to move to Executive Session to discuss a particular Real Estate transaction. Unanimously carried.

At 9:15pm James Herbert moved and David Brown seconded a motion to return to regular session. Unanimously carried.

- David Brown offered the following resolution and moved its adoption

Resolution No. 61 of 2015

Authorized for Supervisor to Enter into a Contract to Purchase a Parcel of Real Property

RESOLVED, that, pursuant to Town Law §64, the Town Supervisor is authorized to enter into a contract to purchase a parcel of real property, being an unimproved lot approximately 3.30 acres in size that is part of Town of Westfield

Section 210.13, Block 2, Lot 3, at a price not to exceed \$20,000.00, subject to approval of counsel as to the final form of the Contract of Sale.

This was seconded by Raymond Schuster. Voting was as follows: Martha Bills, aye; James Herbert, aye; David Brown, aye; David Spann, aye; Raymond Schuster, aye.

There being no further business, at 9:17pm Martha Bills moved and David Brown seconded a motion to adjourn. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,
// original signed //
Timothy C. Smith, Town

Clerk