

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF
THE TOWN OF NEW HARTFORD, NEW YORK,
HELD AT BUTLER MEMORIAL HALL IN THE VILLAGE OF NEW
HARTFORD ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 2003 AT 6:00 P.M.**

The Town Supervisor called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. in the Supervisor's Office and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. The roll was then taken with the following Town Officials present during the progress of the meeting:

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS: Councilman Donald C. Backman
Councilman John C. Waszkiewicz III
Councilman Richard B. Woodland, Jr. (Arrived
at 6:20 P.M.)
Supervisor Ralph B. Humphreys

ABSENT: Councilman David W. Butler (Arrived at 6:54 P.M.)

OTHER TOWN OFFICIALS: Town Clerk Gail Wolanin Young, CMC

Thereafter, a quorum was declared present for the transaction of business.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Backman introduced the following Resolution for adoption and Councilman Waszkiewicz seconded same:

(RESOLUTION NO. 261 OF 2003)

RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby move to enter into an Executive Session to discuss labor negotiations, acquisition of real property, the job performance of a particular employee, and a law-enforcement Inter-municipal Agreement.

A roll call vote ensued:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	ABSENT
Councilman Butler	-	ABSENT
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

Thereafter, the Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly adopted. The Town Clerk was then excused from the meeting at 6:01 P.M.

[NOTE: Attorney Rossi joined the Executive Session at 6:15 P.M., Attorney Peter Jones and Councilman Woodland at 6:20 P.M. and Councilman Butler at 6:54 P.M.]

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END OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Waszkiewicz then offered the following Resolution for adoption and Councilman Butler seconded same:

(RESOLUTION NO. 262 OF 2003)

RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby move to end its Executive Session and to reconvene the regular portion of the Town Board meeting.

The Board members voted upon roll call that resulted as follows:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

The Supervisor declared the Resolution unanimously carried and duly adopted; the Executive Session ended at 7:22 P.M. The regular portion of the Town Board meeting was reconvened at 7:28 P.M. in the Community Meeting Room, Butler Memorial Hall, with the following Town Officials and Department Heads being present:

OTHER TOWN OFFICIALS: Deputy Highway Superintendent Anthony DeCuffa
Planner Kurt Schwenzfeier
Police Chief Raymond Philo
Telecommunicator Supervisor Jeffrey Madden
Town Clerk Gail Wolanin Young and Deputy Town
Clerk II Nancy E. Kneller

OTHERS: Attorney for the Town, Vincent J. Rossi, Jr.
(Arrived at 8:46 P.M.)

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

UPDATE – TOWN WEB SITE:

James Lawrence, 67 Imperial Drive, New Hartford, has "...made an offer to take over, remake and make user-friendly to the Town and the residents" the Town's Web Site. He has completed some initially planning – and Councilman Backman has reviewed the results. There is a need to address the IP address, whether the Town is committed to a prior vendor and/or whether the Town has control over the address in order to save e-mail addresses. Currently, the Town is paying Two Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$225) each month to Dreamscape – perhaps for hosting the Web Site. After some research, Mr. Lawrence determined that not all Towns use the standard ".ny.us" as part of their Web

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address. Before the Town moves the Web Site to a new address, the Town Supervisor will write to Dreamscape that the Town is interested in refreshing, scrubbing and changing it and await Dreamscape’s response. The Committee is also reviewing the Town’s Web Site, how it’s maintained, where it’s hosted.

Agreement – Update Web Site

Councilman Backman confirmed that the Five Hundred Dollar (\$500) payment to James and Cathy Lawrence to update the Town’s Web Site would be an annual commitment. [NOTE: Refer to page 12 of the July 2, 2003 Town Board minutes.]

HISTORICAL - 1887 LOG RULER:

Kevin Kelly of 2 Glen Street, New Hartford, delivered to the Town Board an 1887 log ruler that former Town Engineer Laurence Wood had given to Mr. Kelly approximately forty (40) years ago “...because the Town didn’t have any use for it and he knew I would treasure it.” Mr. Kelly wished to return the item to the Town, its rightful owner. Thereafter, Supervisor Humphreys introduced the following Resolution for adoption and Councilman Butler seconded same:

(RESOLUTION NO. 263 OF 2003)

WHEREAS, an 1887 log ruler had been returned to the Town of New Hartford at the July 16, 2003 Town Board meeting by Kevin Kelly who had “custodial” charge of the ruler for some forty (40) years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby acknowledge the return of the 1887 log ruler and does hereby authorize and direct the Town Supervisor to place said ruler in the custody of the New Hartford Historical Society, while the Town retains full ownership of said ruler.

Upon roll call, the Town Board voted as follows:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

The Resolution was thereupon declared unanimously carried and duly adopted.

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:

The Deputy was present in the absence of the Superintendent who was on vacation.

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Petition for Hidden Driveway sign

Deputy Highway Superintendent Anthony DeCuffa presented a Petition from Lower Woods Road residents who requested a “Hidden Driveway” sign on Roberts Road. Councilman Backman will determine the exact location after which the Police Chief and Highway Superintendent will perform an on-site inspection.

Appointment – Part-time Seasonal Highway Laborer

Upon recommendation of the Deputy Highway Superintendent, the following Resolution was introduced for adoption by Councilman Butler and duly seconded by Councilman Waszkiewicz:

(RESOLUTION NO. 264 OF 2003)

RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby appoint Evan Rossi as a Part-time, Seasonal Laborer at Seven Dollars and Seventy-five Cents (\$7.75) per hour, payable bi-weekly, for the Highway Department, commencing July 21, 2003 and ending August 29, 2003

A roll call vote ensued:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

The Supervisor declared the Resolution unanimously carried and duly adopted.

Compliment

Councilman Waszkiewicz conveyed Mrs. D’Onofrio’s compliments to the Deputy Highway Superintendent for his professionalism exhibited on a job well done.

Violation – Curbside Trash Collection

During the Dumpster Service on July 9, 2003, a truck full of concrete had been unloaded from a particular residence – a letter was sent to the owner because extra concrete had been dumped in the Town’s road right-of-way. After some discussion, it was consensus of the Town Board that the Highway Department would not pick up the concrete – it was a violation of the Curbside Trash Collection policy ... set out too late, too much, and was not containerized. Councilman Woodland will talk to the property owner on this matter.

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Damaged Mailbox

Councilman Backman having received a letter about a mailbox damaged by a Highway Department vehicle, the following Resolution was introduced for adoption by Councilman Backman and seconded by Councilman Waszkiewicz:

(RESOLUTION NO. 265 OF 2003)

WHEREAS, the Deputy Highway Superintendent has confirmed that the mailbox at 9232 Red Hill Road, New Hartford, had been damaged by a Highway Department vehicle during the green leaf pick-up program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby authorize and approve the reimbursement to Ms. Deborah Ruben of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25) for the replacement of the damaged mailbox and the post.

The Supervisor requested a vote upon roll call:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

Whereupon, the Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly adopted.

Negative SEQR Declaration - Tibbitts/Snowden Hill Road Water Project Road

The Highway Superintendent having received agency response letters in the matter of the proposed Tibbitts/Snowden Hill Road Water project, copies of the SEQR Negative Declaration were distributed. Thereafter, Councilman Backman offered the following Resolution for adoption, seconded by Councilman Waszkiewicz:

(RESOLUTION NO. 266 OF 2003)

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT THE PROPOSED TOWN OF NEW HARTFORD TIBBITTS/SNOWDEN HILL ROAD WATER PROJECT WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

WHEREAS, the Town Board of New Hartford is considering a proposal to construct the new water system known as the Tibbitts/Snowden Hill Road Water Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and the regulations contained in 6 NYCRR Part 617 adopted pursuant thereto by the Department

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of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York, hereafter **SEQRA**, the Town Board must determine whether such proposal may have a “significant effect on the environment” and therefore require the preparation of an environmental impact statement; and

WHEREAS, to aid the Town Board in determining whether the proposal may have a significant impact upon the environment, a full environmental assessment form (**EAF**) has been prepared, a copy of which was presented and circulated at the Town Board’s June 4, 2003 meeting; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Part 617, the Town Board has examined the **EAF** in order to make a determination as to the potential environmental significance of the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (hereafter “**NYSDEC**”) and New York State Department of Health (hereafter “**NYSDOH**”) and the Town of New Hartford are the involved agencies as that term is defined in 6 (A2) NYCRR Section 617.1(t); and

WHEREAS, no further review is required under **SEQRA**;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of New Hartford as follows:

1. Based on its examination of the **EAF**, the criteria set forth in Sections 617.11 and 617.6 of the regulations, and such further investigation as the Town Board has deemed appropriate, no potential significant adverse impacts are known;
2. Consent to proceed with the project will not cause a significant impact on the environment, and the Town Board will not require the preparation of an environmental impact statement;
3. A negative declaration is to be prepared; and
4. The Town Clerk of the Town of New Hartford is hereby directed to cause to be filed and circulated the negative declaration in accordance with the requirements of **SEQRA**, a copy of the negative declaration shall be maintained in the Office of the Town Clerk in a file that will be readily accessible to the public, and the clerk shall mail copies, return receipt requested, to:
 - Office of the Commissioner
Department of Environmental Conservation
625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233

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- Environmental Notice Bulletin
NYSDEC – Attn: Jack Nasca
625 Broadway, 4th Floor
Albany, NY 12233-1750
- NYSDOH
Bureau of Public Water Supply
Flanigan Square
547 River St., Rm. 400, 4th Floor
Troy, NY 12180-2216

5. All subsequent notices concerning this project shall state that a negative declaration pursuant to **SEQRA** has been issued.

The foregoing Resolution was duly voted upon by roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

The Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly adopted.

TELECOMMUNICATOR SUPERVISOR:

Appointment – Part-time Dispatcher

Upon recommendation of Telecommunicator Supervisor Madden, the following Resolution was introduced for adoption by Councilman Butler and duly seconded by Councilman Waszkiewicz:

(RESOLUTION NO. 267 OF 2003)

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in a Part-time Dispatcher (Public Safety Telecommunicator) position due to the resignation of John Raymond;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby appoint Jarod Petrie as a Part-time Dispatcher (Public Safety Telecommunicator) in the Emergency Dispatch Center commencing July 21, 2003, in accordance with all New York State Civil Service rules and regulations and contingent upon Mr. Petrie passing the required background investigation; Mr. Petrie’s hourly wage is hereby established at Nine Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$9.20), payable bi-weekly.

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The Supervisor requested a roll call vote, which resulted as follows:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

Thereafter, the Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly adopted.

Software Update – Dispatch Center

Councilman Backman provided an update on the search for software for the Emergency Dispatch Center. Action is expected in the near future.

Health Insurance – Part-time employees

Supervisor Humphreys explained that when the Town elected to provide Teamsters health insurance effective January 1, 2003, employees not wanting the insurance could opt out at the time of conversion; but employees hired after the conversion date, all in the bargaining unit must be included in health coverage. As a part-time Dispatcher, Jarod Petrie would be required to pay the insurance premium if he wants health coverage, but also must meet the 36-day contributions in a quarter to earn the coverage. The Teamsters stated that part-time employees pay for at least the minimum policy, Six Dollars (\$6) per day; however, questions arose as to how many hours constitute a day.

The Town Supervisor Ralph proposed that if a part-time employee wants and needs insurance, the Town would work with them and the employee would pay the daily charge; but if they don't want and don't need health insurance, the Town would pay the daily charge of Six Dollars (\$6). Councilman Backman questioned, "...but if someone then becomes eligible, when's the line being crossed that they get a benefit?" Since Mr. Petrie doesn't fall into this latter situation, the Board's consensus was to formulate a policy; ex.: If a part-time employee becomes eligible and uses the health insurance benefits within a calendar year, they must pay for it.

Personnel – Telecommunicator Supervisor's workday

The following Resolution was introduced for adoption by Councilman Backman and seconded by Councilman Woodland:

(RESOLUTION NO. 268 OF 2003)

RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby establish, effective immediately, that the workday of the Telecommunicator Supervisor shall consist of eight

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(8) hours inasmuch as he supervises Emergency Dispatch Center employees who work an eight (8) hour day.

A roll call vote was duly held and resulted as follows:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

The Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly adopted.

POLICE CHIEF:

Memorandum of Understanding

Formation of the METROPOLITAN ENFORCEMENT TEAM RESPONSE AND OPERATIONS (The METRO Program)

After having discussed the aforesaid Memorandum of Understanding in Executive Session, the following Resolution was introduced for adoption by Councilman Butler and duly seconded by Councilman Woodland:

(RESOLUTION NO. 269 OF 2003)

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of New Hartford does hereby authorize and direct the Town Supervisor and Town Police Chief to enter into and to execute a **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING for the FORMATION OF THE METROPOLITAN ENFORCEMENT TEAM RESPONSE AND OPERATIONS (The METRO Program)** between the following entities to establish an interagency enforcement program focused on street level drug enforcement with the neighborhoods of the participating jurisdictions:

- City of Utica and the Utica Police Department
- Town of New Hartford and the New Hartford Police Department
- Town of Kirkland and the Kirkland Police Department
- Town of Whitestown and the Whitestown Police Department
- Village of Whitesboro and the Whitesboro Police Department
- Village of New York Mills and the New York Mills Police Department
- Oneida County District Attorney's Office.

The Town Board voted individually as follows:

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Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

The Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly adopted.

Dog Enumeration

Police Chief Philo noted that the Town usually performs a Dog Enumeration about every five (5) years and the Town is looking at starting this program in the Fall of 2003 and conclude the census in the Spring of 2004. After discussion, the following Resolution was introduced for adoption by Councilman Backman and duly seconded by Councilman Woodland:

(RESOLUTION NO. 270 OF 2003)

RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby authorize a Dog Enumeration to be performed in the Town of New Hartford, including the Village of New Hartford and that part of the Village of New York Mills in the Town, commencing in the Fall of 2003 and concluding in Spring of 2004; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the a news release be published seeking interested applicants, that the hourly wage be established at Seven Dollars and Seventy-five Cents (\$7.75) for each Enumerator hired, that the Town Clerk monitor the program and that the cost of such Enumeration be paid from the Whole-town General Fund Contingency Account.

The Supervisor polled the Town Board members who voted as follows:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

Thereafter, the Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly adopted.

Training School

Upon request of the Police Chief, the following Resolution was introduced for adoption by Councilman Backman and duly seconded by Councilman Woodland:

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(RESOLUTION NO. 271 OF 2003)

WHEREAS, Section 77-b of the General Municipal Law allows the governing board of municipalities to authorize any officer or employee to attend a convention, conference or school conducted for the betterment of such municipality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of New Hartford does hereby grant permission to Peter Colburn and Francis Manfredo, Juvenile Aide Officers, to attend the Annual Juvenile Officers Conference in Ithaca, New York from August 25 through August 29, 2003, with expenses for both Officers to be borne by said Town as budgeted; total expenses for both Officers, including meals, will be Seven Hundred Fifty-one Dollars and Ninety-nine Cents (\$751.99).

The Resolution was voted upon by roll call as follows:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

The Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly adopted.

TOWN CLERK:

Raffle Consent

The following Resolution was introduced for adoption by Councilman Backman and duly seconded by Councilman Woodland:

(RESOLUTION NO. 272 OF 2003)

RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby grant permission to the Utica Symphony, Inc., Utica, New York, an organization duly granted a Games of Chance Identification Number by the New York State Racing and Wagering Board, to sell raffle tickets at the Sangertown Square Mall, New Hartford, New York, in accordance with all rules and regulations of said Racing and Wagering Board; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be, and she hereby is, authorized and directed to execute Form GC-RCF, Raffle Consent Form.

Upon roll call, the Town Board voted as follows:

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Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

The Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly adopted.

REPORTS OF COUNCILMEN AND ATTORNEY

[NOTE: Attorney for the Town, Vincent J. Rossi, Jr., re-joined the meeting at 8:46 P.M.]

COUNCILMAN WASZKIEWICZ:

Agenda Items:

- Mohawk Valley Water Authority – Pump Station; Councilman discussed with Attorney Rossi the Water Authority’s response to the Town’s letter outlining constituent concerns (noisome, disturbing). Attorney Rossi had been in contact with the Water Authority’s attorney who showed documents supporting the Water Authority’s position that they are exempt from local zoning regulations
- New York Mills annexation process – Councilman has met with New York Mills residents to confirm their positions for annexation
- Route 12 Task Force – met with new County Executive who will meet with the Broome County Executive to discuss methodology to achieve a north-south infrastructure; all agencies need to submit input. He will try to come to some terms on how Oneida County could expand the Task Force.
- Comparison/analysis of town – Councilman submitted a spreadsheet comparing the Towns of Colonie, Manlius, Dewitt and New Hartford (population, number of parcels, total assessment, method of assessment, equalization rate, tax rates [county, town, school] and average tax rate). New Hartford falls mid-range.
- Traffic Study vs. GEIS (coordination with Oneida County and Town of Frankfort) – the Town Planner is scheduling a meeting on this subject; however, some people are on vacation
- Granting writing – 501 C 3 – with Attorney Rossi, discussion included the benefit to others, such as youth baseball, fire department, etc., besides senior citizens, as well as how to start the “ball rolling”, an independent board “to keep it rolling” and get names to individuals who might be interested in sitting on Board

Town Physical Building Facilities Committee

Councilman Waszkiewicz asked that the Building Facilities Committee be recalled to analyze the potential facility options for relocating of Town offices. Councilman Butler

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had no problem with having the Committee sit in on meetings; however, Councilman Backman noted that the Town has already tendered two (2) offers and he didn't want to delay anything. After further discussion, Councilman Waszkiewicz offered the following Resolution for adoption and Councilman Butler seconded same:

(PROPOSED RESOLUTION)*Defeated

RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby recall the Town Physical Building Facilities Review Committee to analyze potential facility(ies) options for relocation of Town offices.

Upon roll call, the Town Board members voted as follows:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Nay
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Nay
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Nay.

The Resolution was not carried and was declared **DEFEATED**.

Personnel – Certified Planner

Councilman Butler offered the following Resolution for adoption and Councilman Waszkiewicz seconded same:

(RESOLUTION NO. 273 OF 2003)

WHEREAS, Planner Kurt Schwenzfeier has successfully completely the examination administered by the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby authorize and direct the Town Supervisor to send a congratulatory letter to Planner Schwenzfeier and that the Town Supervisor prepare a news release to be published in the Observer Dispatch.

A roll call vote ensued:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

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The Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly adopted.

COUNCILMAN WOODLAND:

Traffic Concerns

Councilman Woodland will meet with Police Chief Philo to discuss several traffic concerns in the Fourth Ward.

COUNCILMAN BACKMAN:

Surplus Vehicle

The 1999 Ford Expedition (former Police Department vehicle) had been withheld from the June 2003 County auction since the Town only had a Certificate of Origin and not the Certificate of Title, the latter of which now has been received. Councilman Backman today received a bid from a Chadwicks business who would like to purchase the Expedition; the bid exceeds the Bid “reserve” of \$9,000, established at the May 21, 2003 Town Board meeting. Answering Councilman Backman’s questions, Attorney Rossi stated that the Town must publicize that the vehicle is for sale. Thereafter, Councilman Backman offered the following Resolution for adoption; seconded by Councilman Woodland:

(RESOLUTION NO. 274 OF 2003)

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of New Hartford does hereby authorize the public sale of one (1) surplus 1999 Ford Expedition, VIN 1FMPU18L8XLB93607, contingent upon Attorney Rossi’s determination of whether the Town must publish a Legal Advertisement or whether the Town can advertise through a Used Auto classified ad.

The Supervisor polled the Board members who voted as follows:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

The Resolution was thereupon declared unanimously carried and duly adopted.

MATTERS SUBMITTED BY TOWN SUPERVISOR:

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Audit of Vouchers

On recommendation of the Town Supervisor, Councilman Waszkiewicz presented the following Resolution for adoption; seconded by Councilman Backman:

(RESOLUTION NO. 275 OF 2003)

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of New Hartford does hereby authorize and direct the payment of the bills itemized on the following Abstracts, which have been duly audited by the Town Board:

General Fund, Whole-Town Abstract No. 23	\$ 3,284.29
General Fund, Whole-Town Abstract No. 24	\$ 13,408.09
General Fund, Whole-Town Abstract No. 25	\$ 51,962.71
General Fund, Part-Town Abstract No. 19	\$ 86,692.71
Highway Fund, Whole-Town Abstract No. 2	\$ 85,329.03
Highway Fund, Part-Town Abstract No. 17	\$ 22,212.00
Sewer Fund Abstract No. 11	\$ 1,753.70
Drainage Abstract No. 10	\$ 163.00
TOTAL:	\$264,805.53

Upon roll call, the Board members voted as follows:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

The Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly adopted

Real Property Tax Law - Parent/Grandparent exemption

As a follow to prior Board discussions, Supervisor Humphreys had discussed with the New Hartford Central School Superintendent Robert Bradley the option of offering real property tax exemption for residential improvements to provide dwelling space for parents/grandparents of the property owner. Superintendent Bradley has suggested a joint public hearing with the School Board. After Board discussion with Attorney Rossi, consensus was to postpone action until Attorney Rossi has the opportunity to review and determine the best way to do this.

MATTERS SUBMITTED BY ATTORNEY FOR THE TOWN:

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Whitetail Meadows Subdivision – Water Works Corporation

Attorney Rossi has been in touch with John Maya, Attorney for Whitetail Meadow's developer, John Barkett, Jr. To finalize and understand the workings of a Water Works Corporation and to address domestic water and storm drainage, Attorney Rossi will meet with Whitetail Meadows representatives on Monday, July 21, 2003; Supervisor Humphreys and Planning Board Chairman Yagey will also attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Waszkiewicz introduced the following Resolution for adoption and Councilman Woodland seconded same:

(RESOLUTION NO. 276 OF 2003)

RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby move to enter into an Executive Session to discuss the acquisition of real property.

A roll call vote ensued:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

Thereafter, the Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly adopted. All persons present, including the news media, Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk, were then excused from the meeting at 9:49 P.M.

[NOTE: The Town Supervisor provided the following transcript.]

END OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Backman then offered the following Resolution for adoption and Councilman Waszkiewicz seconded same:

(RESOLUTION NO. 277 OF 2003)

RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby move to end its Executive Session and to reconvene the regular portion of the Town Board meeting.

The Board members voted upon roll call that resulted as follows:

Councilman Waszkiewicz	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye

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Councilman Butler	-	Aye
Councilman Backman	-	Aye
Supervisor Humphreys	-	Aye.

The Supervisor declared the Resolution unanimously carried and duly adopted; the Executive Session ended at 10:30 P.M. The regular portion of the Town Board meeting was immediately reconvened.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, upon motion duly made by Councilman Backman and seconded by Councilman Waszkiewicz, the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Gail Wolanin Young, CMC/RMC
Town Clerk**