

Village of Whitehall
57 Skenesborough Dr., Suite 2
Whitehall, NY 12887

August 18, 2026

Public Hearing & Regular Meeting

6:00 PM

Present: Deputy Mayor Norton; Trustee Putorti; Trustee Burgart; EJ Conzola, Whitehall-Times; Jessie Neddo, Compliance Officer; Robin Burgart

Absent: Mayor Lambert; Trustee LaChapelle

Deputy Mayor Norton opened the Public Hearing meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:04 pm. Public Hearing meeting about adopting a Local Law Prohibiting First Floor Residential Dwelling Unit Uses of all Commercial Structures in the Commercial "C" Zoning District in the Village of Whitehall

No Public Comments about the Local Law proposed, Deputy Mayor Norton asked three times. Proceeded with meeting agenda, left hearing open in case more public showed.

Public Comments:

- R. Burgart asked status of building behind library. The Village is to clean it out she has permission use the building for her rescue group the Feline Connection. It will provide a feeding area, and place to monitor the cats. Looking at possible Bottle Drive fundraiser to help the cats get appointments for wellness check, neuter/spray and rabies cost is \$100/ cat. Received a Grant for \$4,000, 40 appts are made.

Correspondence:

- Letter from Roslyn Stark-Lambert asking use of Fosdick Alley Parking Lot on 9/12/26, 7am to 6pm for Craft Fair

Motion made by Trustee Burgart for approval to use Fosdick Alley Parking Lot on September 12, 2026 from 7 am to 6 pm to host a Craft Fair, seconded by Trustee Putorti, all in favor, **CARRIED**

Deputy Mayor Norton to close Public Hearing on Adopting Local Law Amending the Village of Whitehall Zoning Law to Prohibit Residential Uses on the First Floor of all Commercial Structures in the Commercial "C" Zoning District in the Village of Whitehall after Roll Call Vote

Motion made by Trustee Putorti to accept the Local Law, seconded by Trustee Burgart, Roll Call Vote:

Deputy Mayor Norton- Aye

Trustee LaChapelle- Absent

Trustee Burgart- Aye

Mayor Lambert- Absent

Trustee Putorti- Aye

All in favor

CARRIED

Motion made to close the Public Hearing made by Trustee Burgart, seconded by Trustee Putorti, all in favor, **CARRIED**

Abstracts:

Motion made by Trustee Burgart, seconded by Trustee Putorti to approve payment of abstract covering claims 25-01481 to 25-01520 for \$46,966.89, all in favor, **CARRIED**

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Reports:

- Sheriff Report – See Attached
- Justice S. Johnson/ Justice D. Johnson
Letter -Resolution authoring Village Court to apply for a grant, (tabled until Resolution is drafted)
- Zoning & Planning Board- See Attached
- Compliance Officer Jessie Neddo submitted and read report for July/ August 2026.

Motion made by Trustee Burgart, to accept and file reports, seconded by Trustee Putorti, all in favor,
CARRIED

Actions:

- Employee Richard Lambert review by Trustee Putorti and Trustee Burgart went well, would like to move him up to Working Foreman

Motion made by Trustee Putorti , to approve Richard Lambert as Working Foreman at \$26/hr., effective start date of August 20, 2026, seconded by Trustee Burgart, all in favor, **CARRIED**

Trustee Comments:

- Discussion about updating Village Local Laws to help Compliance Officer enforce Laws better, possible ask judges for assistance.

Motion made by Trustee Putorti to adjourn the meeting 6:53 pm, seconded by Trustee Burgart, all in favor, **CARRIED**


Jamie Barnhill
Village Clerk-Treasurer



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Sheriff

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Undersheriff

"Community First"

Village of Whitehall Patrol Monthly Hours

JULY 2025 2026

Patrol Shift Hours

There was a total of 31 days in July and we were contracted for 20 hrs per day for a total of 620 hrs. There were no vacant shifts in July.

Activity Types

65 Traffic Stops	4 Suspicious Activity
18 Traffic Summonses	7 Motor Vehicle Accidents
4 Domestic	5 Larcenies
15 Disturbances	2 Property Check
4 Harassment	17 Aid a person
3 Traffic Complaint	14 911 Related
10 Welfare Check	41 Walk-ins
9 Misdemeanor Arrests	63 Other
5 Felony Arrests	271 Total Calls for Service

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Respectfully Submitted,

Sheriff Jeffrey J. Murphy



Whitehall Zoning & Planning Board

Monthly Meeting Minutes

August 4, 2026 – 6:05 PM

Meeting called to order at 6:05 PM pursuant to NYS Open Meetings Law (Public Officers Law §103).

Board Members

Present:

- Lee Gosselin
- Kathy Gebo
- Diane Petryk
- Fra Putorti
- Code Enforcement Officer: Jessie Neddo

Absent:

- Shane Bennett

Other Attendees:

- Mayor Lambert (arrived at 6:20 PM)

Public Comment

No public comments were received, consistent with **Public Officers Law §106**, requiring minutes to reflect motions and matters formally voted on.

Correspondence & Requests

Powerline Easement Inquiry – Mr. Koskinen

A written request was received from Mr. Koskinen asking whether the Board could assist him in contacting his adjoining property owner regarding a **powerline easement**.

- Fra stated he would make a couple of calls to help facilitate contact.

Board Discussion & Concerns

Tree & Building Condition – Old Village Building

Diane raised concerns regarding the trees near the old village building:

- Tree roots are heaving the sidewalk.
- Roots appear to be growing into the building foundation, causing cracks.

Garage Door Removal – Building Adjacent to Library

Diane also noted concerns about the garage door removed from the building next to the library.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by **Lee**, seconded by **Kathy**, in accordance with **Public Officers Law §106. Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at **6:35 PM**.