## June 2018 Historian Report for July 2018 Town & Village Board Meetings Marybelle Beigh, Westfield Town & Village Historians

## **Historian Activities During June 2018:**

- Did not attend June 6, 2018 Town Board Meeting because I had an urgent Vestry Meeting at Church of St. John the Baptist, Episcopal, Dunkirk NY, where I serve as a Vestryman. Did provide May 2018 Historian Report.
- Attended June 18, 2018 Village Board Meeting and provided May 2018 Historian Report.
- Attended June 5, 2018 First Responders Tribute meeting at Fire Hall at which detailed information was discussed regarding site, construction, and funding for the project.
- Emails exchanged with a historian client regarding an old postcard on Facebook of the old Armour Factory in Westfield, that led to him locating a 2012 BeeLines published in the Westfield Republican about the fruit processing factories in Westfield.
- BeeLines articles and photos have been written and published in the Westfield Republican, and also on the WestfieldNY.com Village-Historian webpage by Aaron Resnick, on the following topics:
  - 1. "Please Find Coon Road Speedway Movie for Documentary" with 2018 Ox Roast Poster inviting race fan enthusiasts, drivers, and builders of race cars for that venue to attend a presentation and opportunity to share memories and memorabilia for the video-in-process
  - 2. "Why isn't Flag Day June 14 an official Federal Holiday?" with a history of Flag Day, and color photos of ways to decorate for Flag Day.
  - 3. "Mystery 1913 Photo Postcard (requested help finding more info or identifications)" front and back photos of the postcard published. Did receive one phone response explaining the mysterious machine in the photo as a drill for railroad ties, and also identifying the group of men as railroad workers.
  - 4. "Remembering Hon. Austin Smith and His Legacy to Westfield" In 1830, Hon. Austin Smith built what is now called the "Tennant House" and the little brick law office between it and where the Methodist Church was later located. Only photo found to use was a fuzzy one from WR of 1905 obit of Hon. Austin Smith.