



**Town of Alden**  
**Planning Board**  
**3311 Wende Road**  
**Alden, New York 14004**  
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*Michael Dewitt, Chairman*

**Meeting No. 7 Regular Planning Board Meeting Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Alden Planning Board was held in the Alden Town Hall at 3311 Wende Rd., Alden, NY 14004 on Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. Chairman Mike Dewitt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The roll call was taken by the Secretary.

**Present:**

Mike Dewitt  
Mike Fleming  
Matthew Malecki  
Joy Insinna  
Chris Snyder, CEO

**Absent:**

Duane Conners  
Bob Meyer

**Recording Secretary:**

Joy Insinna

**Approval of previous minutes**

Minutes of the September meeting were approved; a motion was made by Mike Fleming, seconded by Matt Malecki. Unanimous. Carried.

**Communications**

CEO report for October (sent in email on 11/2/2020)

**New Business**

**Copart Junkyard Permit – Town Line Road.**

Present at the meeting were:

- Corey Auerbach, attorney from Barclay Damon LLP, representing Copart
- Cherie Hargrove, regional manager of Copart
- Tim Bennett, GM of Angola/Evans Copart

The business is designed to acquire dismantled vehicles from insurance and other companies. They take over inoperable vehicles (salvage title) and then auction them to those interested in purchasing, generally within 50-60 days per vehicle. Copart is a publicly traded company with 170 locations within the US and Canada. They are overburdened at the Angola/Evans facility and want a location in Alden to help handle the existing volume. This will be the 7<sup>th</sup> facility in NYS. The change in ownership of the property provides an opportunity to update the fencing to minimize visibility from the road. Matt Malecki made a motion to provisionally approve the junkyard permit going forward based on Copart fencing the perimeter with a 50-foot setback, excluding the residential property located on the northwest corner of the property. Mike Fleming seconded; carried unanimously.

### Tree Care Rezone request – Broadway

No representative from Tree Care attended the meeting. CEO Snyder stated that the purpose of the rezoning is to clean up the existing lake on the property and build additional housing that would tie together with the current houses. The Planning Board felt that the zoning changes were appropriate because the adjacent properties are already similarly zoned. Mike Fleming made a motion to recommend approval of rezoning parcel A from R1 to R3 and parcel B from R1 to C2.; Matt Malecki seconded; carried unanimously.

Battery storage. It was decided to table the discussion until a future meeting where all members were present. In the meantime, Mike Dewitt volunteered to convert the previously provided draft to a Word doc and fill in any blanks so that a more complete version can be used to build off of.

### **Unfinished business**

None

### **Business from the Floor**

None

### **Town Board Meeting Reports**

None

### **Special Meeting Report**

None

### **Suggestions from members, consultant and Building Inspector**

None

### **Monthly property progression review**

None

### **Representatives to Upcoming 2020 Town Board Meetings (meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday)**

March 24 – Mike Dewitt

April 14 – Mike Fleming

April 28 – Duane Conners

May 12 – Bob Meyer

May 26 - Matt Malecki

June 9 – Mike Dewitt

June 23 – Mike Fleming

July 14 – Duane Conners

July 28 – Bob Meyer

August 11 – Matt Malecki

August 25 – Mike Dewitt

September 8 – Mike Fleming

September 22 – Duane Conners

October 13 – Bob Meyer

October 27 – Matt Malecki

November 3 – Mike Dewitt

November 17 – Mike Fleming

December 1 – Duane Conners

December 16 – Bob Meyer

**Next meeting**

December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020

*\*\*A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. by Mike Fleming, seconded by Matt Malecki; Carried. Unanimous.*