

The Work Session of the Alden Town Board was held in the Town Hall at 3311 Wende Road on Monday, June 23, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. Supervisor Milligan called the Meeting to Order.

PRESENT:

Harry Milligan, Supervisor
Mary Riddoch, Councilwoman
Ralph Witt, Councilman

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Sarah Hinsken, Deputy Town Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jennifer Strong, Town Attorney
Mike Metzger, Town Engineer
Gary Wagner, Highway Superintendent
Andy Sojka, Parks Supervisor
Christopher Snyder, Code Enforcement Officer

1. **H.O.P. RENEWAL FOR SHARON JORDAN-PARKER**-Councilman Witt voiced a couple concerns with renewing Ms. Jordan-Parker's H.O.P. When the Planning Board originally approved this H.O.P. it was to grow herbs, manufacture oils and sell them. Since then she has added the selling of books, gemstones and gifts. Councilman Witt also stated Ms. Jordan-Parker's sign states what she sells, which is not to code. The board is not approving the renewal of her H.O.P. at this time; it will be addressed at the next work session and request the presence of Ms. Jordan-Parker.

2. **CAR SHOW**- New Car Show T-shirts were brought to the board by Jeff Beisiegel. Presale of the shirts is \$20. Attorney Strong received the deposit that was due for the car show, but is waiting for insurance. There will be Sheriffs to patrol Broadway. Mr. Beisiegel requested use again of our garbage barrels and use of the dumpsters in the park. Andy said that would be no problem. Councilman Witt did state that last year's cleanup with garbage was exceptional and he was very impressed. The kiddie pool will be closed for the safety of the kids, and no bounce houses this year. There will also be a chicken barbeque. The Community center will be open for their use.

3. **LOCAL LAW #3**- The Planning Board approved Local Law #3. At the next Town Board Meeting on July 7, 2014, declare SEQR / Lead Agency. Attorney Strong will have a lead agency resolution ready for the next Town Board Meeting, and then will have a public hearing process.

4. **WOUNDED WARRIOR PROCLAMTION**- Attorney Strong will have the Wounded Warrior Proclamation ready for next Town Board Meeting.

5. **WEBER PROPERTY**- Attorney Strong had received a letter from Mr. Weber's attorney stating that his property in question is indeed repairable. CEO Snyder stated that his contractor has been in contact with him about rebuilding it. CEO Snyder stated that the building is still indeed deemed unsafe by code. Snyder stated that they need engineered drawings before they can even obtain a permit to start rebuilding. CEO Snyder stated his 30 day timeline to get building fixed was up on June 23rd, and is still a dangerous building. Supervisor Milligan asked Attorney Strong to continue with the legal process.

6. **CAMERA AT ROBERT O. SMITH PARK**- Councilwoman Riddoch would like to get a camera for Robert O. Smith Park to keep vandalism down. Councilwoman Riddoch will obtain quotes for cameras.

7. **CARNIVAL RECAP**- Supervisor Milligan stated that the carnival was a huge success. Councilwoman Riddoch addressed the topic of garbage pick-up. In past years the Town has picked up garbage from the event. Andy Sojka said that he has a lot of man labor invested in the setup of the carnival and the picking up of garbage. He asked the Town Board if next year there could be a separate budget line that would cover this cost.

8. **FIRE CONTRACTS**- Attorney Strong stated that Fire contracts need to be renewed at the end of this year and will not need to be renewed for three years. There will be discussion at a later date.

9. **KIEFFER/BONCLIFF DRAINAGE**- Gary Wagner stated that the Kieffer Rd. ditch needed to be re-dug because when National Fuel serviced a gas line there last year they never graded it the way it should be; now the highway can't mow the area because of large boulders and rocks. Gary Wagner will keep in contact with National Fuel to get the matter taken care of. There was a blockage drain/ditch problem that was addressed on Boncliff Road.

Attorney Strong- Colleen Rogers has been working on finding a new workers comp insurance. She has obtained quotes and found that switching to Perma will save the Town of Alden a substantial amount in the first year alone. Attorney Strong received a deed for the property on West Main St. She will have a resolution ready for the next Town Board meeting on July 7th to accept this, and then she will record this with the Erie County Clerk's office.

Supervisor Milligan- Stated that the Town Board has received an email about Time Warner from Eric Chafee; this letter will be read at the next Town Board meeting. Supervisor Milligan received a letter from Sun King recycling stating that they will no longer be accepting televisions that are cracked or broken. There was a report of a woman that fell and hurt her wrist at the Alden carnival; she will follow up with the Village of Alden. Supervisor Milligan received a follow up letter from Mr. Sievenpiper regarding his drainage problem. Mr. Gerald Hinsken requested that Highway Superintendent Gary Wagner look into ditching on his property at 4545 Townline Rd. Gary will look into it.

Councilwoman Riddoch- received an insurance certificate form Alden Pools and Play. Total Care Professionals will be taking down the broken playground at Robert O. Smith Park.

Andy Sojka- Has questions regarding blueprints he received for repairs to the Alden Community Center. Mike Metzger will get in touch with the architect and get any questions answered.

Mike Metzger- Water line project will break ground in the fall.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:10 P.M.

Cc: TB, TA, PS, CEO & EMERG. MGT.