

The Work Session of the Alden Town Board was held in the Town Hall at 3311 Wende Road on Monday, May 11, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. Supervisor Milligan called the Meeting to Order.

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

RECORDING SECRETARY: Barbara Weber, Deputy Town Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Strong, Town Attorney
Andy Sojka, Parks Superintendent
Leonard Weglarski, Dog Warden
Gary Wagner, Highway Superintendent
Mike Metzger, Town Engineer

1. Dale Shaw/Litter Pick Up/Equipment Exchange - An Alden resident made a presentation regarding Alden Community Litter Pick Up Day. This has been scheduled for May 30th from 9:00am to 12:00pm with a meeting location at the Tops parking lot. The volunteers will be assigned a street to pick up litter and will have until 6:00 that night to pick it up. The supplied orange bags will then be picked up by the Erie County Highway Department. This will only be done on County roads at this time. She would like to do this twice a year and possibly add the Town roads along with the County roads next time.

Dale Shaw also made a presentation regarding the Alden Community Equipment Exchange. This is a program for the community to exchange their sporting goods equipment for the youth. People would donate their sporting equipment that is no longer needed and pick out something else that they need, free of charge. This would be done quarterly before each sporting season. The remaining sporting goods will be stored at the Alden Town Hall until the next exchange.

2. Monthly Departmental Reports – Attorney Strong discussed departmental monthly financial reports, each department is required to submit monthly reports. The only department who doesn't currently submit monthly reports is the Supervisor's office and they are required to do so to the Town Board. At the end of the month a detailed statement of all monies received and dispersed must be made to the Town Board and a copy filed with the Town Clerk.

3. Coach/Parks Background Checks - Attorney Strong will prepare a resolution for the next Town Board meeting to adopt the Recreation Department and Parks Department coach and employee background checks.

4. Henskee Road Drainage – Highway Superintendent Gary Wagner discussed a driveway /culvert drainage issue on Henskee road.

5. H.O.P. Renewal for Paulette Morris – A motion will be prepared to approve the H.O.P. renewal for Paulette Morris.

Attorney Strong will have a Proclamation Honoring the Historical Society 50th Anniversary, ready for the next Town Board meeting. The World of Wonders Pre-School contacted Attorney Strong asking if they could have a picnic and bounce house at the Town Park. Supervisor Milligan said that as long as they have proof of insurance for the bounce house, which would be covered by the school, it would be ok.

Andy Sojka, Parks Superintendent spoke with the Alden High School Principal and they want to have the simulated DWI car crash at the Alden Town Park this Friday morning. This will include a simulated car crash, Jaws of Life, Sheriffs' helicopter and fire trucks demonstration on the morning before Friday night's prom.

Town Supervisor Milligan talked about the baseball diamonds, regarding possibly taking all the infield grass out. This would be a costly project and more information is needed. Parks Superintendent Sojka will look into getting a professional opinion on this.

Town Engineer Mike Metzger talked about the Exchange water district. He said the Erie County Water Authority has approved the testing procedure for the chlorination. This will take one to two weeks to complete the testing process. Once the water testing is approved then they can connect the taps. The Community Center verbiage is being reworked and will be re-going out to bid soon. The structural engineer looked at the Town Highway garage and did an inspection, he will have his analysis and a report before the end of this week, and then we will take it to the next step.

Leonard Weglarski, the Town Dog Warden mentioned that he has had several calls regarding the Enchanted Forest Wildlife Sanctuary. People are wondering what to do with wildlife now and they are wondering if anybody will be taking that over?

Supervisor Milligan said that there will be a Proclamation declaring May 18th as Drug & Alcohol Awareness Day. There will be a special meeting on May 12th at 10:00am and a special meeting on May 20th at 3:00pm regarding contract negotiations. The Alden Art Club will be using the Community Center for their Fall Art show on Sunday, September 13, 2015. Judge Albert Gerhardt will be taking a leave of absence for three months and a substitute Judge will be filling in for him during his absence.

At 7:55 P.M. Supervisor Milligan moved to adjourn from the regular work session and enter into an executive session about a matter of personnel with the Town Board, the Town Attorney and the Parks Superintendent. Councilwoman Riddoch seconded the Motion. The Motion was put to a Roll Call vote on May 11, 2015 and it was

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt
Nays 0

At 8:12 P.M. Supervisor Milligan moved to adjourn from the Executive Session, with no action taken and enter back into the Regular Work Session. Councilwoman Riddoch seconded the Motion. The Motion was put to a Roll Call vote on May 11, 2015 and was

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt

Nays 0

Supervisor Milligan adjourned the Meeting at 8:13 P.M.

Barbara Weber - DTC

CC: TB, ATTY., PARK SUPV. & EMERG. MGT.