

The Work Session of the Alden Town Board was held in the Town Hall at 3311 Wende Road on Monday, May 12, 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: Barbara Weber, Deputy Town Clerk
- OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Strong, Town Attorney  
Mike Metzger, Town Engineer  
Gary Wagner, Highway Superintendent  
Chris Snyder, Code Enforcement Officer  
Andy Sojka, Parks Superintendent  
Leonard Weglarski, Dog Control Officer

**1. Men’s Baseball-** Mary Riddoch is concerned about the trash left behind by the West Falls Men’s Baseball League playing on the Town of Alden’s and St. Johns baseball diamonds. A representative for the league said that he would speak with the managers about this matter. There is a scheduling conflict with the Recreation Departments little league and woman’s baseball leagues so it recommended that the West Falls league work with the Recreation Director Dan Moultrup and the Parks Supervisor Andy Sojka to resolve the scheduling conflict.

**2. Water District-** Mike Metzger has all the application permits ready for the Exchange/Zoeller roads water district. They will be sent to the Water Department, Health Dept., and the Army Corps of Engineers to secure approvals. The intent is to stay on the right of way but the headwalls for the ditch extends onto private property on Exchange Street. Mike will try to secure a permanent easement from the owner. The temporary easement has an expiration date. The Town of Alden will pay for full restoration of properties affected. Mike is expecting that he will be ready to put the job out for bid in August.

**3. Court air conditioners-** The air conditioners in the court room are not functioning. Chris Snyder has three quotes for the replacement of the air conditioners. Attorney Strong will have a resolution ready for the next Town Board meeting to approve the purchase of the air conditioners.

**4. Weber property-** The property has an exterior wall that is ready to collapse and debris is blowing onto Broadway causing a dangerous situation to the public. Chris Snyder suggested that a solution would be to take down the section that’s collapsing then secure the remaining building. Chris will give the property owner thirty days’ notice that he has to fix, repair or demolish the building. If not done within 30 days Chris will report to the Town Board and they will take further steps on this matter.

**5. Conforming local law-**The Planning board will be looking at new provisions regarding private residences on commercial property at their meeting on Wednesday night. Jennifer Strong hopes to have a report from the Planning Board for the Town Board meeting on Monday, May 19.

**6. HOP changes-** The Town Board and Attorney Strong are making revisions to the HOP regulations. They are making changes and will present their ideas to the Planning Board for their input.

**7. Laser level-** Gary Wagner has three quotes for a new laser level for the Highway Department. This level will be used for drainage ditch issues.

**8. DI storm receiver-** Gary is preparing some information and quotes for people who wish to put culvert pipes in to fill their ditches in. The people get a list of materials to buy and then the Town will put the pipes in.

Jennifer Strong said that on this upcoming Monday at the Town Board meeting we will have the public hearing on the Local Law #2 regarding increasing the number of members of the Planning Board.

Mike Metzger said that he met with the structural engineer, architect and masonry contractor regarding the Community Center and they will have the bid documents ready in less than two weeks. Mike would like to go with Gary Wagner and Ralph Witt to look at the drainage problem behind the Correctional facility before the vegetation gets too thick.

Mary Riddoch said a representative from the school contacted her about having the players from the sports teams participate in some sort of volunteer program. They would be able to offer these volunteers out to the Town if there is any need. Mary said that Doug Adams called her about a drainage ditch problem at his house on Henskee Rd.

Gary Wagner said that he has talked to CSX about the property on Old Wende Rd. What they want to do is move the barrier at the railroad back so that they can keep the roadway open so they can drive all the way through. Gary is concerned that the buses and plows will not be able to turn around.

Len Weglarski mentioned that he was at a Henskee Rd. property Friday night with an animal complaint and the SPCA came and took away all the animals.

Andy Sojka said that the new tractor and mower are in and are both working well. Andy again questioned about getting security at the Town Park to deter vandalism and graffiti. He is putting up a new light at the Town Park near the bathrooms and playground area to assist the cameras. The insurance is waiting on the damage claim for the vandalism of the playground at the Robert O Park.

At 8:24 P.M. Supervisor Milligan moved to adjourn from the regular work session and enter into an executive session with the Town Board and the Town Attorney regarding a personnel matter; Councilwoman Riddoch seconded the Motion. The Motion was put to a Roll Call vote on May 12, 2014 and it was

CARRIED.

Ayes 2 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt

Nays 0

At 8:57 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 12, 2014 and was

CARRIED.

Ayes 2 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt

Nays 0

Supervisor Milligan adjourned the Meeting at 8:57 P.M.

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Barbara Weber - DTC

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