

The Work Session of the Alden Town Board was held in the Town Hall at 3311 Wende Road on Tuesday, May 27, 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
Debra Crist, Town Clerk

1. Recycling- Supervisor Milligan had an email informational sheet from Akron/Newstead regarding their recycling policy so he is reviewing our recycling services with Sunnking and Modern Corporation. We get a lot of calls regarding household hazardous waste and he was wondering what other towns do regarding the matter. At this time we will not be collecting any hazardous waste. Sunnking continues to be our electronic recycling service and does not give us any money for televisions but they will still recycle them for us. We do get money for the computers and monitors.

2. Local Laws #2, #3, & #4- Attorney Strong said that they had a public hearing last week regarding Local Law #2. The pending Local Law #2 will increase the Planning Board members from five members up to seven members. This will take several years for this to happen. Attorney Strong will have a resolution ready to approve for next Monday's Town Board meeting. Attorney Strong talked about Local Law #3 Non-Conforming uses allowing non-conforming family dwelling and any associated accessory building that are damaged by fire or accident to be rebuilt. The Planning Board reviewed Attorney Strong's proposal and are ok with it. The next step would be a formal referral to the Planning Board for them to review and get back to us. The new pending Local Law #4 will be the new H.O.P. law. Attorney Strong is still looking for the Board members thoughts on the new H.O.P. law so she can put something together for the Planning Board.

3. Drainage-Supervisor Milligan, Councilman Witt, Councilwoman Riddoch, Town Engineer Mike Metzger and Highway Superintendent Gary Wagner discussed many different drainage issues that they are looking into in the town.

4. Credit Card Policy-Supervisor Milligan said that New York State requires that we have a credit card use policy. Attorney Strong mentioned that only department heads under a procurement policy are allowed to make credit card purchases up to \$500.00 without Town Board authorization. Attorney Strong mentioned that all employees are being properly supervised regarding the use of credit cards. Attorney Strong will have a resolution ready for Mondays Town Board meeting to approve the new

credit card policy. The department heads and any employees who are using a credit card under the department head should sign the new credit card policy.

5. H.O.P.-Attorney Strong is looking for some new H.O.P. ideas for the Planning Board to look at. Supervisor Milligan would like to put an ad in the Alden Advertiser to get any public input regarding the pending new Local Law #4- H.O.P. laws. There are currently twenty-one H.O.P.'s in the town now. Attorney Strong will put some ideas together regarding H.O.P. laws for the Planning Board to look at.

Attorney Strong has received proof of insurance from the Fire Company for the Fireman's Carnival. She also said that it is the time for us to renew our fire companies' contracts.

Councilwoman Riddoch said that she has received a copy of notice of order that they are amending the speed limit on North Rd between Peters Corners and County Line road which will be changing to 45 mph. Councilwoman Riddoch got a request for Men's softball to play the two tournament games. Councilwoman Riddoch said that she was contacted by Alden Pool and Play regarding the damaged playground at the Town Park. They are said it would be cheaper to replace the set rather than try to fix it. She is waiting to see how much the insurance company will pay to either replace or repair the set.

Town Engineer Mike Metzger has three sets of plans from the structural engineers for the repairs at the Alden Community Center. Mike would like some comments regarding these plans then he will be ready to send the work out to bid.

Town Clerk Debra Crist said that she received a peddlers' permit today. The twenty-five dollar fee is set in the town code which was made in 1971. We only receive a couple of peddler's permits per year.

Code enforcement officer Chris Snyder said that he has not received a receipt back from the post office regarding a letter sent regarding the Weber property on Broadway. The property owner on Walden with all the junk cars on it has another court date because he has not removed everything yet.

Highway Superintendent Gary Wagner questioned where the Town Board is in regards to the drainage issues that were previously discussed today. There was an accident on Reinhardt Rd. and the ditch needs to be cleaned out so Gary Wagner is questioning which insurance company needs to be contacted to pay for the clean-up. The Town of Newstead will oil and tar the roads and a portion of that is the Town of Alden's. We will be supplying the trucks for them and they will be doing it for us.

Councilman Witt said that he has been trying to contact the Zoladz property owner regarding an easement for a walk through his property.

Supervisor Milligan is working on workmen's compensation which is going up in some areas by as much as 25%. There is co-op company that some towns are going with. This is something that he is looking at and he is looking at different options to reduce our costs. On June 5th Supervisor Milligan is invited downtown to talk about the Erie County Home to the Legislator and he is looking for some input on the matter if anybody has any ideas.

At 8:10 P.M. Supervisor Milligan moved to adjourn from the regular work session and enter into an executive session about Highway employees contract negotiations and a personnel matter with the Town Board, the Town Attorney and the Highway Superintendent; Councilwoman Riddoch seconded the Motion. The Motion was put to a Roll Call vote on May 27, 2014 and it was

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt

Nays 0

At 8:46 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 27, 2014 and was

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt

Nays 0

Supervisor Milligan adjourned the Meeting at 8:46 P.M.

Barbara Weber - DTC

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