

The Work Session of the Alden Town Board was held in the Town Hall at 3311 Wende Road on Monday, November 10, 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  
Gary Wagner, Highway Superintendent  
Leonard Weglarski, Dog Control Officer  
Chris Snyder, Code Enforcement Officer  
Dan Moultrup, Recreation Director  
Alden Youth Baseball Organization  
Theresa Hoffman

1. **Alden Youth Baseball-** Mark Kerl from The Alden Youth Baseball Organization addressed the Town Board regarding updates and maintenance of the fields and dugouts at Robert O. Smith Park. The organization is also requesting use of the Alden Town Hall for inside practice, as they have in the past. Councilwoman Riddoch stated that the parks dept. is working on the Babe Ruth Diamond now. Mark Kerl stated that the organization is more than willing to help with man power whenever Andy may need it. They want to focus first on the maintenance of the fields then focus on replacing the roofs on the dugouts and possibly get concrete flooring. Andy is seeking quotes for the dugout materials. Jennifer will draw up a contract for use of the Town Hall and have it ready to be approved at the next Town Board meeting.

2. **Christmas in the Park-** Councilwoman Riddoch stated that she will make a motion to approve Christmas in the Park on December 6, 2014 at the next Town Board meeting.

3. **New H.O.P. / Hoffman-** Ms. Hoffman's H.O.P application will be referred to the Planning board for review and recommendation. There will be a motion to renew Joseph Bove's furniture upholstery H.O.P at the next Town Board meeting.

4. **Building Department Secretary-** No action is being taken at this time to discuss a secretary for the building department.

5. **Exchange St. Water District Lateral Restrictions**- Town Engineer Mike Metzger feels once the State Department of Agriculture reviews our water district proposal they will recommend we adopt a lateral restriction. This will not allow 2 subdivisions to build on agricultural land. The Town has to make every attempt necessary to see that agricultural land will be preserved for such use. Jennifer has a draft waiting to be adopted if such restriction is made.

6. **Senior Citizen & Veteran Tax Exemptions**- There was discussion on Senior and Veteran tax exemptions. Attorney Strong will be in further contact regarding this matter with the Town Assessor.

7. **Dispatch Agreement**- The Village of Alden and Lancaster has accepted and approved our fire and dispatch services agreement. This includes the increase of \$500.00 per year for the next 5 years. The Alden Town Board will approve this at the next Town Board meeting. Attorney Strong will have a Resolution ready for Monday's Town Board meeting to approve.

8. **Zoning Board/Planning Board**- Planning and Zoning Board members need to complete 4 training hours per year, there are many that have not completed this year. Jennifer will be contacting them to become current. The Board is looking to make two new appointments for the Planning Board. The Board will review any old applications they have and will also be advertising. Councilman Witt will bring a list of applicants to the next Work Session.

9. **Local Law #3**- Jennifer will have a resolution ready to adopt Local Law #3 at the next Town Board meeting due to such a positive reaction at the Public Hearing that was held on October 20, 2014.

10. **Small Business Day**- Attorney Strong has a Proclamation to declare Saturday November 29, 2014 Small Business Day. This is to help promote shopping locally.

11. **Town Car**- Councilman Witt would like to see everyone at the Town Hall work as a team and come to an agreement with sharing the Town car. CEO Snyder stated he is willing to work with anyone who needs use of the car. Councilwoman Riddoch would like to see a mileage log implemented. Councilwomen stated DCO Len Weglarski is already doing so. Supervisor Milligan would also like to enforce the mileage log. Supervisor Milligan raised concerns about the final Certificate of Occupancy issued to 2255 Crittenden Road being a conflict of interest for CEO Snyder.

12. **CSX / Wende Road**- the Highway Department is in the process of installing a turnaround at the of Old Wende Road. The Highway plows and school busses will find it useful. Attorney Strong stated there is some more information that needs to be obtained before the Town goes any further. Attorney Strong and Gary Wagner will look into it.

13. **Highway Building**- Gary Wagner stated there are service doors at the Highway building that need to be replaced, door jams are rusted. Superintendent Wagner also voiced his concerns on the need of

getting a generator at the Highway Building. Supervisor Milligan said that Gary will have to look in his budget for money to cover it.

14. **Dump Truck**- Superintendent Wagner is obtaining quotes to purchase a new dump truck with a plow. There is further information and specs that Jennifer will need from him. Gary will email Attorney Strong the information. The Highway Department will be getting the new truck sometime next year.

15. **Heated Wipers**- Heated wipers will be ordered at the discretion of the Highway Superintendent.

16. **Uebelhoer Rd. Sub-division**- Attorney Strong will have a Resolution ready to be adopted for the Uebelhoer Road sub-division at the next Town Board meeting.

**Jennifer Strong**- Was approached by a resident that would like to purchase land the Town owns on Old Three Rod Road. The Town Clerk found that Erie County turned over the land to the Town of Alden years ago. Attorney Strong will look into this matter further.

**Mary Riddoch**- Thanked Superintendent Wagner for getting the list of street lights that were out to her. In doing so she sent the list to NYSEG. Mary got confirmation that they will be worked on.

**Chris Snyder**- Obtaining estimates to get the south doors fixed in the Town Hall.

**Gary Wagner**- Stated he will need to purchase new tires for several trucks at the Highway Department so they will pass inspection. He obtained quotes and he will give them to Attorney Strong. Gary received license plates for a 2002 trailer that he cannot find. Councilwoman Riddoch will look into it with our insurance company.

At 8:15 P.M. Supervisor Milligan moved to adjourn from the Regular Work Session and enter into an Executive Session about a personnel matter with the Town Board, Highway Superintendent and the Town Attorney. Councilwoman Riddoch seconded the Motion. The Motion was put to a Roll Call vote on November 10, 2014 and it was

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt

Nays 0

At 8:32 P.M. Supervisor Milligan moved to adjourn from the Executive Session, with no action taken and enter back into the Regular Work Session. Councilman Witt seconded the Motion. The motion was put to a Roll Call vote on November 10, 2014 and it was

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt

Nays 0

Supervisor Milligan adjourned the Meeting at 8:32 P.M.

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Sarah Hinsken- Deputy Town Clerk

CC: Town Board, Park Superintendent & Emergency Management