

PRESENT: Harry Milligan, Supervisor
William Weber, Councilman
Mary Riddoch, Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Strong, Town Attorney
Michael Metzger, Town Engineer
Andy Sojka, Parks Supt.
Chris Snyder, Building Inspector
Carl Fix, Highway Superintendent

RECORDING SECRETARY: Barbara Ertel, Deputy Town Clerk

** Home Occupation Permit applicant Sharon Jordan-Parker was in attendance. Councilman Weber gave an overview of the pertinent information regarding the application. No further questions or information was needed by the board. Attorney Strong will prepare the order calling for the public hearing, which will be held June 17th, 2013 at 7:05 PM

1. ALDEN ART CLUB REQUESTS:

Councilwoman Riddoch received a request from the Alden Art Club for use of the large room in the Community Center for their monthly meetings for 2014 season, as well as request for permission to use the town park community center for their Fall Art Show on Sunday, Sept. 8th, 2013. Board had no problem with either request. Motions will be made at next board meeting.

2. BAND SHELL RENTAL:

Request was received from Gary Wagner for use of a band shell at the Farmer's Market on June 1st and June 8th. Discussion was held regarding whether the larger or the smaller band shell would suffice because of problems with logistics – the scheduling of the time and manpower needed for delivery/set up and removal after use. Hgwy. Supt. Carl Fix agreed to help and work with Parks Supt. Andy Sojka.

3. MILLGROVE FIRE CO. MEMBERSHIP:

Councilwoman Riddoch gave the new applications for membership to Attorney Strong, who will prepare the resolution to accept membership. Nothing has been received from Crittenden.

4. BIDDING PROCESS:

Supervisor Milligan expressed concern with getting information to our local businesses about projects being considered by the board so they could submit a bid. Attorney Strong explained the state bidding requirements and a lengthy discussion ensued regarding how local businesses have been asked in the past to submit a bid for an upcoming project, the reluctance of some local business owners to bid against each other, and how to get this information into the Advertiser's coverage of work session meetings and board meetings so that those who wanted to could bid. It was agreed that in the future, the board would try to make sure that information on an upcoming project gets into the Advertiser, and perhaps the town website.

5. WATER DISSOLUTION PROJECT:

Attorney Strong reported that we have completed the final week of publication, all the necessary documents have been sent to bond council in New York and we are awaiting their opinion.

*Attorney Strong reported:

- the deadline for the Alden-Marilla Car Show to submit the necessary paperwork is next week.
- To date she has seen no vendor agreements, no insurance, no maps showing parking spaces, etc.

It was suggested that unless the necessary information is received by Monday, 5:00 PM, the car show should be cancelled.

- She is still waiting for Fire Dept. to submit copy of contract and signed indemnification agreement regarding the carnival.
- she again asked Village Attorney for survey of waterline project of 1963.

*Councilwoman Riddoch reported:

- she received a request to publish a copy of the town leash law in the Advertiser
- there was a problem last week with a loose dog running in the park. It was requested that DCO Len Weglarski schedule one evening or morning a week in the park to monitor the loose dog situation. Signs have also been ordered.
- received a letter of donation of a regulation backboard with hoop – after discussion, it was decided that we would decline the donation.
- received a request from Alden Central School Athletic Director for use of the new soccer field to hold a night game under the lights for the Varsity Soccer teams. Discussion resulted with regard to this non-specific request – the board was OK with the use if it did not conflict with any town schedule or maintenance issue.
- received a request from soccer league to somehow mark off a fire lane in the back parking lot of the Robert O. park. Parks Supt. Andy Sojka suggested sectioning off an area with cones.
- travel soccer wants to use the football multi-use field and has already published their schedule with the town park listed as a venue. The town has not agreed to their use and has not received a formal request. She will follow up, as there are conflicts surfacing already. Parks Supt. Sojka is willing to work with these organizations as they have all budgeted moneys for turf maintenance.
- reported on the surge of truck traffic on Sandridge and West Main Street, prompting a discussion on what can be done to restrict this traffic. Mike Metzger reported on a little known law regarding specific sized large trucks that we could look into for enforcement.

*Engineer Mike Metzger reported that everything regarding the water projects is with the state. We're on hold until they approve and we can move forward.

*Parks Supt. Andy Sojka reported that they planted the memorial tree requested by Karen Smith.

*Building Inspector Chris Snyder reported that he is still soliciting bids for the door project.

*Councilman Bill Weber reported:

- he will be attending the June Community Advisement Board meeting. He intends to reinforce the ongoing Sievenpiper drainage problem with the state.
- informed the board of an upcoming meeting of One Region Forward, to be held May 30th
- received a letter of a violation from NYS Insurance Fund, but has no information as to where this violation is or how to correct it.
- made note of the fact that there are a number of outstanding bills for engineering fees. He feels strongly that the town should pay Town Engineer Metzger, proceed to diligently collect these outstanding fees for previous projects, perhaps in Small Claims Court, if necessary, and not approve any future projects that come before the board until all engineering fees are paid.

Meeting ended: 8:05 P.M.

Board entered into Executive Session, including Town Attorney Strong and Hgwy. Supt. Fix, regarding a matter of personnel.