

MEETING NO. 21
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OCTOBER 17, 2005
7:30 PM

The Regular Meeting of the Alden Town Board was held in the Town Hall at 3311 Wende Road on Monday, October 17, 2005 at 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Richard A. Savage, Supervisor
Michael W. Cole, Councilman
Ronald L. Snyder, Councilman
Arlene A. Cooke, Councilwoman
RECORDING SECRETARY: Debra Crist, Deputy Town Clerk
OTHERS PRESENT: Harry F. Milligan, Highway Supt.
Frank Trybuskiewicz, CEO
Michael Metzger, Town Engineer
Jennifer Strong, Town Attorney
ARRIVED LATE: James Lorenzi, Councilman

Supervisor Savage called the Regular Meeting to order. Councilman Snyder led in the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll call was taken by the Deputy Town Clerk.

Councilman Cole moved and Councilman Snyder seconded the Motion to approve the Minutes & Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of October 3, 2005. Unanimously carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Jack Oles/Countyline Rd. questioned whether the Town had a Right to Farm Law, Town Attorney will check into this.

Matt Herdzik/287 South Woodside asked about the Board's continued position on the Library, future plans, etc. Supervisor Savage is waiting for further information.

COMMUNICATIONS

Councilman Cole reported receiving minutes from the Alden Chamber of Commerce, Letter from Kaleida Health and packet from Mary Martino re United Way.

Attorney Strong reported receiving hourly figures from the Alden Ewell Library; letter from the Town Clerk regarding a zoning variance on Townline Rd., Letter was received regarding the car accident on Countyline Rd. and a check re/guardrail replacement.

Councilman Snyder reported receiving a bill from Raymar Heating.

Councilwoman Cooke reported receiving 2 calls re the water district, also a call about assessments/ referred the second to the Assessor.

Supervisor Savage received quote re a plaque for the Schoolhouse, memo regarding HUD Annual Assessment, fax from Mike Metzger re Stormwater Coalition, Rural/Metro monthly report, minutes from the Planning Board and recommendation for HOP approval for Susan Tomporowski/Westwood Rd., Letter from Attorney Strong re Property Title R.O. Smith Park, Solid Waste and Recycling Report from Waste Management, notice of meeting of Erie County Governments on October 27, 2005, letter regarding the Fact Finder Report re Hwy negotiations, copy of letter sent to Ms. Jessica Dudek re Community Service for Honors group authorizing the project/ letter from Nicole Gomolski thanking Board and task outline for their project, timeline etc., memo from Joseph L. Maciejewski, Erie County Assessors re the Processing Schedule, fax from Art Traver regarding unpaid water bills, letter from Lovell Safety regarding Compensation rates increase, copy of letter to Highway Supt. Milligan and C. Fix from Buffalo and Erie County Workforce Dev. Thanking them for Summer Youth Employment, copy of letter from NYS Ag & Markets sent to Town Clerk Bycina regarding the New Statewide

Dog Licensing Database, letter from a Crittenden resident regarding NYSEG changing zip codes on bills, a letter from Jennifer Retzlaff thanking Board for approving her to go to training program, copy of letter from Town Attorney regarding Sandridge Rd. parking issue to Frank Trybuskiewicz, Bike Path costs from the Hwy Dept., letter from DOH re drinking water/funding, memo from County of Erie Dept. of Env. & Planning re results of 2005 Consortium-wide Citizen Forum.

NEW BUSINESS

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY SUPERVISOR SAVAGE WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN COLE TO WIT;

WHEREAS, the Alden Town Board has noticed the need to make improvements to the Center ("Center"), for which grant monies are available. More specifically, the Center is in need of new windows, restrooms renovations, and a new handicapped accessible water cooler/fountain.

WHEREAS, the Alden Town Board would like to utilize the monies available from the Erie County Community Development Block Grant program.

WHEREAS, the Town Board held a public hearing on October 3, 2005, notice of which was properly posted and published. No public comment was received.

WHEREAS, The Town Board after full and careful review and consideration of the need finds that it is in the public interest to authorize said improvements at the Center;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. At a Meeting of the Alden Town Board held on October 17, 2005, the Board Authorized Supervisor Richard A. Savage to sign, submit, and execute a Contract and/or other necessary paperwork, with the Erie County Community Development Block Grant Program for the following project upon approval of ECCDBG :

A. Improvements to the Town of Alden Senior Citizen Center.

2. The Town Board authorizes the above listed improvements to the Center, provided that the Town of Alden is awarded the Grant monies.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately. The foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on October 17, 2005 and was unanimously adopted.

Councilman Snyder moved and Councilwoman Cooke seconded the Motion to approve Jean Weisbeck's use of the Youth Center – at Town Hall Cafeteria and gym on Saturday, November 19, 2005 from 10:00 pm to 12:30 am for a cast party involving 40 students and 4 Adult chaperones. No floor hockey to be played. Arrangements for opening/closing the Town Hall to be made with the Recreation Director. Town Clerk to advise Ms. Weisbeck of conditions.

Councilwoman Cooke moved and Councilman Cole seconded the motion setting Town of Alden Trick or Treat night as Monday, October 31, 2005 from 6-8:00 pm.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMAN COLE WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN SNYDER TO WIT;

WHEREAS, the County of Erie is responsible for maintaining many roads located within the Town of Alden;

WHEREAS, the County of Erie would like to contract with the Town of Alden for the years 2005-2007 to allow the Town of Alden to remove snow, to sand, and to control ice and snow on some of the County Roads located within the Town of Alden;

WHEREAS, the proposed Contract will pay the Town of Alden fair and adequate consideration for its winter road maintenance services on County Roads; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board after full and careful review and consideration of the County's request finds that it is in the public interest to enter into the proposed Contract with the County of Erie;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Town Board does hereby authorize Supervisor Savage to enter into and execute all necessary documents to effectuate the Contract with the County of Erie;
2. The Town Clerk is directed to mail three (3) certified counterparts of this Resolution; three (3) Contracts executed by the Supervisor and Insurance Certificates to the County of Erie.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The above Resolution was duly put to a roll call vote on October 17, 2005 and was unanimously adopted.

THERE WAS NO UNFINISHED & TABLED BUSINESS

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES AND PERSONNEL

Councilman Cole received a call from Ken Pointkowski re Water Dist. #5.

Supervisor Savage thanked Bud and his Crew for a job well done on the Hike/Bike Path in the Town Park, also stated the project came in underbudget.

Councilman Snyder worked at ECC South regarding recycling. Has someone that will take all the old computers.

Town Engineer Mike Metzger discussed Marilla's situation with regards to the Water Dist. They will be resubmitting the income survey that they did.

CEO Trybuskiewicz talked about the Durnell property at 1418 Two Rod Rd., Unsafe House, 30 Days has expired since notification and a Public Hearing will be set.

SUPERVISOR SAVAGE MOVED AND COUNCILMAN COLE SECONDED THE MOTION TO ENTER INTO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS HIGHWAY DEPT. NEGOTIATIONS AT 8:20 PM.

SUPERVISOR SAVAGE MOVED AND COUNCILMAN COLE SECONDED THE MOTION TO RE-ENTER THE REGULAR MEETING AT 8:45 PM.

Supervisor Savage welcomed a student from Alden Central High School.

Supervisor Savage requested the following be put on the next Work Session:

1. Stormwater Coalition
2. Susan Tomporowski/ HOP
3. Set Public Hearing Durnell Property/1418Two Rod Rd.
4. Jack Oles/Right to Farm Law

Supervisor Savage adjourned the Meeting @ 8:50 PM with a Minute's silence in Memory of Jeanette Mahan, Leonard Chrosniak, Matthew Davern, Wanda Welnicki, Willard E. Cole, Grandfather of Councilman Cole.

DEBRA A. CRIST
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

