Dec. 6, 2004 7:30 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Alden Town Board was held in the Town Hall at 3311 Wende Road on Monday, December 6, 2004.

PRESENT: Richard A. Savage, Supervisor

James M. Lorenzi, Councilman Ronald L. Snyder, Councilman Arlene A. Cooke, Councilwoman Mary Riddoch, Deputy Town Cler

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mary Riddoch, Deputy Town Clerk OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Metzger, Town Engineer

Planning Board Member Harry Milligan, Highway Supt.

Frank Trybuskiewicz, Code Enforcement Officer

ABSENT: Michael W. Cole, Councilman

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

Councilman Lorenzi moved and Councilman Snyder seconded the Motion to approve the Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of November 15, 2004. Unanimously carried.

COUNCILWOMAN COOKE MOVED AND COUNCILMAN SNYDER SECONDED THAT THE FOLLOWING VOUCHERS BE ALLOWED AND PAID

OTAL
0,156.76
3,406.84
8,674.65
724.64
3,830.24
2,510.96
181.21
3,530.23
1,040.81
7,609.96
1,666.30

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE THE FOREGOING WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

Supervisor Savage welcomed the students from Alden Central School and a student from St Francis High School.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Matthew Herdzik/287 S. Woodside stated that cable is again going up. He asked if the Town as franchise holder could do anything. Supervisor Savage told him that the Town has no control over the rates. He did tell Mr. Herdzik that he would write a letter to Time Warner regarding this issue.

COMMUNICATIONS

Councilwoman Cooke reported that she had a telephone call from Edward Smith, from Alden Youth Baseball regarding the dugouts at Robert O. Smith Park. She asked to put the matter on the Work Session for discussion next Monday.

Supervisor Savage received a letter from the Alden Village requesting the use of voting machines, to be put on the work session; received a new members list from the Planning Board; Supervisor Savage thanked Parks maintenance worker Carl Fix for the job he did

on the lighting at the Town Hall; filed a SPEDES permit renewal application; sent a letter to Superintendent Livingston re the assistance in providing inmate work crews; notice of N.E.S.T. meeting; memo from Bill Sivecz, Acting Assessor re the MBM settlement; Alden Environmental Conservation Commission meeting minutes; copy of letter sent to Joseph Maciejewski, Director of Real Property Tax Services re Assessment Equity Activity; copy of Grant application filed by Grant Consultant, Sue Barnes for the Building Dept.; two re-appointment letters from Michael Metzger, Town Engineer requesting appointments for next year to the Planning Board and Town Engineer; copy of letter to Edward O'Connor re retirement; copy of letter sent to County of Erie Finance Dept. re 2005 adopted budget; copy of letter sent Lanny Strain AU re a self audit; notice from Association of Erie County Governments re Court Fees; memo from Ralph Witt, Receiver of Taxes and Bill Sivecz, Acting Assessor re Computer Network; copy of specs for a new Vibratory Roller; letter from Fox & Company re Town Of Alden tax rates for 2005 adopted budget; notice of Public Hearing for ZBA; copy of Village Board minutes for October; letter from Time Warner re programming and rates; Planning Board Minutes from November; request from Town Justice LaDuca for budget transfers; posting notice from Teamsters Local 264 re election of officers; copy of letter to Justices re Road Runner and reminder of the Town Of Alden Christmas Party.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Snyder moved and Councilwoman Cooke seconded the Motion to renew the Junkyard License for Alden Trucks/2731 Townline Rd. Unanimously carried

Councilwoman Cooke moved and Councilman Snyder seconded the Motion to renew the HOP for Marie Paone/916 Three Rod Rd. Unanimously carried.

Supervisor Savage moved and Councilman Lorenzi seconded the Motion to appoint Jennifer Strong Town Attorney effective 12/I/04 through 12/31/2004 – Compensation to be 1/12 of \$26,092 or \$2,174.33 for the month of December. Appointment is with no benefits other than Retirement System if selected by Ms. Strong. Unanimously carried.

Tabled Resolution re Salt Spreader.

Councilman Lorenzi moved and Councilwoman Cooke seconded the Motion authorizing the Supervisor to sign Rates Agreement for Independent Health Encompass B plan for the Town. Rates held for 1/1/05 through 12/31/05. Unanimously carried.

Councilman Snyder moved and Councilwoman Cooke seconded the Motion authorizing Independent Health's use of the Board Room at 10:00 A.M. through 12:00 P.M. on 1 workday per month for January, February and March 2005. Specific dates to be finalized with Jennifer Lynch. Unanimously carried.

Councilwoman Cooke moved and Councilman Snyder seconded the Motion authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Fox & Company engagement letter for 2004 Audit, 2006 Budget preparation and 2006 computation of Special District tax rates as per their Nov. 18, 2004 letter. Unanimously carried.

Councilman Lorenzi moved and Councilwoman Cooke seconded the Motion authorizing the Alden Art Clubs use of the Community Center on the 1st Tuesday of each month from 7:30 PM – 10:00 PM for 2005. Unanimously carried.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLTUION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMAN SNYDER WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN COOKE TO WIT;

WHEREAS, the Town of Alden has in the past participated with the County of Erie in a Contractual program to STOP DWI, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Alden is in agreement with the County sponsored STOP DWI program and has been effective in dealing with intoxicated drivers, and

WHEREAS, the County of Erie will reimburse the Town of Alden ten dollars for each referenced case disposed, based upon monthly STOP DWI COURT REPORTS, provided to the County of Erie by the Town of Alden, and

WHEREAS, it is in the intent of the Alden Town Board to once again enter into the CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT with ERIE COUNTY for the 2004 STOP DWI PROGRAM.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the town Board does hereby authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the Contractual Agreement with the county of Erie pertaining to the STOP DWI PROGRAM for the period 2004 and that the Town Clerk provide the information required based upon the attached Clerk Checklist.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on December 6, 2004 and was unanimously adopted.

Councilwoman Cooke moved and Councilman Snyder seconded the Motion authorizing the Supervisor to make the necessary monthly Budget Transfers for all departments. Unanimously carried.

Supervisor Savage polled the Board and with no objection added the following to the agenda.

Supervisor Savage moved and Councilman Lorenzi seconded the Motion to renew the HOP for Mark Morre/12328 Westwood Road. Unanimously carried.

THERE WAS NO UNFINISHED & TABLED BUSINESS

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES AND PERSONNEL

Councilwoman Cooke reported on the DARE program she attended. At this program she spoke to Legislator Marshall re the Henskee School House monies.

Town Engineer Metzger reported on the individual who did the former Zoning Map. He will research this further.

Supervisor Savage reminded the Board Members of the meeting scheduled for December 16th re negotiations for the highway contract. He also put the following on the work session, the Village's request to use voting machines, Ralph Witt and Bill Sivecz request for computers, the salt spreader and confirmed spaces at sewer district 2.

Supervisor Savage adjourned the Meeting at 8:25 PM with a Minute's silence in Memory of Victor Neff, Charles Rogers, Tacie Boldt, Jack Wolf, Alan Kidder and Franklin Leggette.

MARY RIDDOCH DEPUTY TOWN CLERK