

The Regular Meeting of the Alden Town Board was held in the Town Hall at 3311 Wende Road on Monday, May 18, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. Supervisor Milligan called the Meeting to Order and Councilman Witt led in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Roll Call was taken by the Town Clerk.

PRESENT: Harry Milligan, Supervisor
Mary Riddoch, Councilwoman
Ralph P. Witt, Councilman

RECORDING SECRETARY: Debra A. Crist. Town Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Strong, Town Attorney
Gary Wagner, Highway Supt.
Chris Snyder, CEO
Michael Metzger, Town Engineer
Robert Myers, Planning Board
Len Weglarski, DCO
Residents

Supervisor Milligan Moved and Councilman Witt seconded the Motion to approve the Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of May 4, 2015 and the Special Meeting of May 12, 2015. The Motion was put to a Roll Call Vote on May 18, 2015 and was

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt
Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN RIDDOCH AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WITT TO WIT; VOUCHERS #435-497

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>ABST. #1</u>	<u>ABST. #2</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
GENERAL FUND "A"	\$24,128.50		\$24,128.50
HGHWY FUND "DA/DB"	5,406.23		5,406.23
PART-TOWN FUND "B"	1,919.27		1,919.27
CONSOLIDATED WATER "WR			
EXCHANGE WATER DIST. "HX"	182,646.27		182,646.27
SP FIRE PROT. "SF"	11,726.58		11,726.58
SD#2 FUND "SA"	2,682.11		2,682.11
TRUST/AGCY FUND "T"	2,265.89		2,265.89
SP REFUSE FUND "SR"	40,590.66		40,590.66
STREET LIGHTING FUND "SL"	5,766.13		5,766.13
PERIWINKLE LTG. "SL1"	36.78		36.78
GRANTS	3,000.00		3,000.00
ZOELLER WATER DIST. "HZ"	137,000.69		137,000.69
TOTALS	\$417,169.11		\$417,169.11

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE ON MAY 18, 2015, THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS

ADOPTED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt
Nays 0

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

There was no business from the floor.

COMMUNICATIONS

Attorney Strong:

Attorney Strong received the signed lease agreement in the mail from the Erie County Water Authority for Zoeller and Exchange Streets.

Supervisor Milligan:

A letter was received from the Town Line Vol. Fire Dept., Inc. notifying the Board that they are having their annual "Community" Memorial Day Service on May 25th. They wanted to invite the Board to join them. Parade line up is at 9:15 A.M. at the Town Line Fire Dept.

A letter was received from the Veterans of Foreign Wars informing that they will host the annual Memorial Day Ceremony in the Village of Alden on Monday, May 25, 2015. The ceremony will be held at 2:00 P.M. at the Veterans Memorial in front of the Community Center.

A thank you note was received from Pumpkin the Clown thanking the Town Board for the proclamation she received last summer for international clown week. She won the individual Charlie award.

A letter was received from Alden Central School requesting use of the Town Park for their "Field Day" on May 28th. Supervisor Milligan polled the Board and they had no opposition to them using it. Park Supt. Sojka went over the details with the school.

Supervisor Milligan, Colleen Rogers, Debra Crist & Barb Weber met with Mr. Turton & students to go over the web site progress. Mr. Turton will be at the Work Session for further discussion.

A mortgage tax check was received from the County of Erie for \$51,855.28. This amount is down \$4,000.00 from last year.

NEW BUSINESS

THE FOLLOWING PROCLAMATION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMAN WITT, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN RIDDOCH TO WIT;

**PROCLAMATION
IN HONOR OF THE
ALDEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY**

WHEREAS, the Alden Historical Society, founded in 1965, is a volunteer-supported organization whose mission is to preserve, promote, and present the history of the Town of Alden and its people;

WHEREAS, Fifty years ago, on April 21, 1965, a small group of dedicated citizens met to form the Society that would perpetuate the history of the Alden, collect information and gather artifacts to be preserved and displayed; beginning with a series of displays in office and store windows;

WHEREAS, At the October 19, 1966, meeting of the Society, Walden Roberts announced that he had purchased the home at 13213 Broadway and deeded it to the Town of Alden with the stipulation that it be used by the Historical Society as a museum. This home is still used as the Museum;

WHEREAS, The Society held an Easter Promenade in April 1969 as a kick-off to the Village Centennial. Citizens, young and old, dressed in period costumes and paraded in front of the Historical Society building;

WHEREAS, Society members created a display at the Erie County Fair entitled "One Hundred Years Ago In Alden." Many Fair displays would follow in ensuing years;

WHEREAS, the Society has placed several historical markers in the Town and Village of Alden: in 1971 at the site of the Original Black Water Baths, as part of Alden's celebration of the Erie County Sesquicentennial; in 1975, the Society kicked off the nation's Bi-centennial celebration with the dedication of a marker placed at the site of Moffat's Tannery on Broadway; in 2013 a marker was placed in Town Line with information on Town Line's 1861 succession from the Union and rejoining on the Union in 1946; and in 2014 a marker was placed at the Alden Presbyterian Church commemorating the oldest religious organization in Alden;

WHEREAS, in the early years of the Society, it was decided to have 15-20 minute talks on topics of interest. This portion of the monthly meeting grew longer and programs on a variety of subjects soon became a vital part of the meetings. These programs continue to this day and are well attended; and

WHEREAS, Society Trustees volunteer their time to give educational tours of the Museum and of the Henskee Road School House.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED:

1. That the Town Board hereby recognizes, congratulates, and honors the Alden Historical Society on its Fiftieth Anniversary and for its fifty years of community service by preserving and promoting the history of our beloved community;
2. That the Town Board hereby recognizes, congratulates, and honors the volunteers, past and present, of the Alden Historical for their fifty years of community service;

3. That the Town Clerk is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Proclamation to the Alden Historical Society; and
4. This Proclamation shall take effect immediately.

The foregoing Proclamation was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on May 18, 2015, and **ADOPTED.**

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt
Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING PROCLAMATION WAS OFFERED BY SUPERVISOR MILLIGAN WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WITT TO WIT;

WHEREAS, the Alden Chamber of Commerce has named Richard "Skip" Jablonski as its 2015 Distinguished Citizen;

WHEREAS, Skip is a long-time Alden Farmers' Market volunteer;

WHEREAS, Skip is a long-time member of Town Line Lutheran Church where he served as member of the church council, church building committee, call committee, and usher;

WHEREAS, Skip served on the Citizens Advisory Committee and the Alden Central School Building Improvement Team and was a director of the Alden Chamber of Commerce working to install the "Welcome to Alden" signs located on Route 20 at both ends of the Town of Alden; and

WHEREAS, Skip also served his country in the occupation forces in Germany following WWII and in the army reserves after his active duty.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Town Board hereby honors, recognizes and congratulates Richard "Skip" Jablonski on his well deserved receipt of the Alden Chamber of Commerce 2015 Distinguished Citizen Award;
2. That the Town Clerk is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Proclamation to the Alden Chamber of Commerce and Mr. Jablonski; and
3. This Proclamation shall take effect immediately.

The foregoing Resolution was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on May 18, 2015, and was **ADOPTED.**

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt
Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING PROCLAMATION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN RIDDOCH; WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WITT TO WIT;

PROCLAMATION of the Town of Alden offered this 18th day of May, 2015

WHEREAS, drug and alcohol use have become both prevalent and a problem for our nation's youth, and

WHEREAS, the Alden Central School District and the students of the school have attempted to raise awareness of the dangers of drug abuse through the Kids Escaping Drugs program and elsewhere, and

WHEREAS, both have sought to unite the community to save lives and highlight healthy and positive alternatives to drug and alcohol use, and

WHEREAS, the students of the Alden Central School District researched, developed, and presented an informative video with the support of the Board of Education, the Administration, the teaching and support staff and their fellow students which recently won first place in the Kids Escaping Drugs video contest, and

WHEREAS, with the cooperation and work through the Alden Community Substance Abuse Coalition, the Village of Alden, the Town of Alden, and the Alden Central School District in addition to the businesses and residents of Alden, the students have had a positive effect in our community as they educate and raise awareness on a regular basis,

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Alden and the Town Board of the Town of Alden, jointly, in honor of the contributions and dedication of students to improve the lives of those affected by drug and alcohol use throughout the community and in recognition of their award winning video proudly proclaim May 19, 2015 "Alden Kids Escaping Drugs Day" in the Village and Town of Alden, New York.

THE FOREGOING PROCLAMATION WAS DULY PUT TO A ROLL CALL VOTE AT A REGULAR MEETING ON MAY 18, 2015 AND

ADOPTED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt

Nays 0

Councilman Witt Moved and Councilwoman Riddoch seconded the Motion to approve Alden Art Club's request to use the Community Center for their annual Fall Art Show on Sunday, September 13, 2015 between the hours of 7:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. The foregoing Motion was put to a Roll Call Vote on May 18, 2015 and was

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt

Nays 0

Supervisor Milligan Moved and Councilman Witt seconded the Motion to approve the renewal of the Home Occupation Permit for Paulette Morris/260 Sullivan Rd. /Gifts and Home Décor for a period of one year. The foregoing Motion was put to a Roll Call Vote on May 18, 2015 and was

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt

Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN RIDDOCH, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WITT TO WIT;

WHEREAS, the Town Board to ensure the safety of the children that participate in various Town of Alden sports and recreations programs, would like to adopt a Background Screening Policy for those who work or volunteer near children.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS, THAT:

- 1.The Town Board hereby adopts the attached Background Screening Policy; and
- 2.This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The foregoing Resolution was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on May 18, 2015, and

ADOPTED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt

Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMAN WITT, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN RIDDOCH TO WIT;

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Alden is considering an application, by Aaron Hucker (Aaron's Auto) for site plan approval of a 4,224 square foot replacement building (with 6 bays, pre-engineered structure, decorative masonry and architectural steel panel exterior) 11941 Broadway, in the Town of Alden, further identified by SBL # 118.11-3-1 (The "Proposed Action");

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Alden has determined that the Proposed Action is an Unlisted Action under SEQRA but has determined that it is in the public interest to conduct a coordinated review;

WHEREAS, the Town of Board of the Town of Alden believes that the Town of Alden is: the agency primarily responsible for undertaking decisions as to site plan approval; is the agency with the broadest governmental powers for investigating the impact of the Proposed Action; and has the

greatest capacity for providing the most thorough environmental assessment of the Proposed Action; and is the most local agent with permitting authority; and

WHEREAS, the Town Building Inspector has provided notice to the Erie County Division of Planning, for this proposed site plan approval, as required under Section 239-m of the General Municipal Law and is hereby directed to give notice of Lead Agency to the involved agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS THAT:

The Town Board has determined that the proposed site plan approval is an Unlisted Action under SEQRA;

The Town Board has determined that it should be the Lead Agency for all environmental review of the site plan approval; and

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The above resolution was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Alden on May 18, 2015, and was

ADOPTED.

Ayes 3 Milligan, Riddoch & Witt
Nays 0

UNFINISHED & TABLED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished & tabled business.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, OFFICIALS AND PERSONNEL

Councilwoman Riddoch:

Councilwoman Riddoch has been touching base with the Senior Van Driver discussing the possibility of having the senior van undercoated. Mary placed a call to Carmasters and for a cost of around \$150.00 they could undercoat the Senior Van. The Board had no objection. Councilwoman Riddoch will work with the Senior Van Driver and set up the appointment to have the undercoating done.

Highway Supt. Wagner:

The State Police have moved out of the Highway Department to their new location.

Robert Myers, Planning Board:

There was no Planning Board meeting this month due to scheduling problems.

CEO Snyder:

Supervisor Milligan asked about the house that was damaged on Cary Rd. The grass is getting awful high. The property is being purchased by Kevin Stoldt and he will be taking care of these issues.

Len Weglarski:

Len was patrolling in the Town Park and found three individuals that are walking their dogs off lead. He advised them to keep their dogs leashed at all times.

Eng. Michael Metzger:

Community Center Walls:

The text was received for the sections of the bid documents that needed to be changed to reflect the Grant mandated language needed. This is ready to go and needs to be rebid.

Highway Garage Roof:

The structural Engineer has issued a report of his findings and his analysis of the beams and columns, he has issued a recommendation. Gary and Mike will get together with him and lay out the next step. There is a need to actually test the steel. Mike has asked them to check it out and let them know what is involved in doing this.

Water Lines:

We were successful with the E.C.W.A. to allow us to continue with the flushing, filling, testing and chlorination process for the entire Exchange Street water line instead of breaking it up in two. We will totally complete the southern half from Marilla line up to Henskee Rd. before moving on to the northern section. The testing was carried out last week on the southern section. That was flushed and

the hydrostatic inspection was done and passed. Chlorination will be carried out and flushed and then they will then move on to Zoeller Rd.

Supervisor Milligan:

Supervisor Milligan would like the following on the Work Session:

1. Mr. Turton/Website.
2. Wales moratorium

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

NEXT WORK SESSION:	(Tuesday) May 26, 2015	@ 7:00 P.M.
NEXT TOWN BOARD MTG.:	June 1, 2015	@ 7:00 P.M.

MEMORIAL REMEMBRANCE

Supervisor Milligan asked all to stand for a Moment of Silence in Memory of Agnes Schlick, Edward Burzynski & Colin "Coke" Gleiser.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Milligan adjourned the Meeting at 7:24 P.M.

Debra A. Crist
Alden Town Clerk