

MEETING NO. 8
REGULAR NO. 8

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF ALDEN

April 15, 2019
7:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Alden Town Board was held at 3311 Wende Road on Monday, April 15, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. Supervisor Savage called the Meeting to Order and Councilman Adamski led in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Roll Call was taken by the Town Clerk.

PRESENT: Richard Savage, Supervisor
Colleen Pautler, Councilwoman
Dean Adamski, Councilman

RECORDING SECRETARY: Alecia Barrett, Town Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Strong, Town Attorney
Bill Rogers, Highway Superintendent
Leonard Weglarski, DCO
Ron Gardner, Planning Board
Residents

Councilwoman Pautler Moved and Councilman Adamski seconded the Motion to approve the Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of April 1, 2019.

CARRIED

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler
Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ADAMSKI, WHO MOVED THAT THE FOLLOWING VOUCHERS BE ALLOWED AND PAID TO WIT; VOUCHERS #326-383 **ALL BILLS REVIEWED BY THE TOWN BOARD.**

	<u>ABSTRACT #1</u>	<u>ABSTRACT #2</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	
GENERAL FUND "A"	\$96,472.44		\$96,472.44	
HIGHWAY FUND "DA/DB"	7,512.79		7,512.79	PART-
TOWN FUND "B"	9,275.82		9,275.82	
WATER DISTRICT #1 FUND "WA"				
CONSOLIDATED WATER "WR"	7,109.96		7,109.96	
SPECIAL FIRE PROTECTION "SF"	2,600.00		2,600.00	
SEWER DIST. #1 FUND "SI"				SEWER DIST.
#2 FUND "SA"	460.92	460.92		
TRUST & AGENCY "T"	3,269.98		3,269.98	
SPECIAL REFUSE FUND "SR"	36,654.36		36,654.36	
STREET LIGHTING FUND "SL"	7,109.96		7,109.96	
PERIWINKLE LTG. DIST. "SL1"	46.71		46.71	
WATER DISTRICT NEWSTEAD "WO"				
CAPITAL PROJECTS "HC"				GRANT "G"
	8,497.57	8,497.57		
TOTALS	\$179,010.51		\$179,010.51	

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS PUT TO A ROLL CALL VOTE ON April 15, 2019 AND **ADOPTED**

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler
Nays 0

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Herdzyk, 287 S. Woodside Dr., will the Supervisor contact Polancarz with regard to the ban on plastic bags? Councilman Adamski noted the difference in cost between paper bags comparable to a plastic bag is quite substantial.

Supervisor Savage will contact Legislator Bruso and tell him the Town of Alden would like the County to opt of their \$0.02 cent share.

*******7:05 Public Hearing Local Law No. 2 of the Year 2019*******

At 7:05 p.m Councilwoman Pautler made a motion to leave regular meeting and enter into Public Hearing, Seconded by Councilman Adamski.

Supervisor Savage made note that adopting this law is necessary for those who are mapped in a flood zone to obtain flood hazardous insurance.

No concerns were heard at this time. Public Hearing ended at 7:13pm.

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler

Nays 0

THE TOWN CLERK READ THE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING THAT WAS PRINTED IN THE ALDEN ADVERTISER.

COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Savage:

- 1. Bill Sivecz put together the proposed Cayuga Creek water tables. Including 3 additional properties that were not previously included.
- 2. Building Inspectors Report from March 2019.
- 3. ZBA has to re-hear a hearing that previously was help without enough voting members in attendance.
- 4. Received Legislator Bruso’s newsletter.
- 5. Received our Special Franchise notice from NYS Dept. of Taxation.
- 6. Letter from John Flynn, DA for Erie County, outlining what they do for Erie County Parks.
- 7. Alden Youth Baseball is having their Opening Day Parade on 05/04 @ 10am. They will assemble behind the Highway Garage.
- 8. Annual Report of Accomplishments of the Erie County Clerk’s Office.

Town Attorney Strong:

- 1. Signed Library contract came back.
- 2. Meals on Wheels contract was mailed out.

Town Clerk Barrett:

- 1. We are in the process of updating the bulletin boards to include updated policies and procedures.

NEW BUSINESS

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

BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS THAT:

- 1. The Town of Alden hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees’ Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body:

Title	Name/4 digit SSN	(Hrs/ day)	Standard Work Day Term Begins/Ends	Participates in Employer’s Time Keeping System (Y/N)	Days/Month (based on record of activities)
ELECTED OFFICIALS:					
Highway Super.	William A Rogers/xxxx	8	01/01/2018-12/31/2021	N	24.96
Town Clerk	Alecia Barrett/xxxx	6 ½	01/21/2019-12/31/2021	N	20.62

Councilperson	Dean W Adamski/xxxx	6 ½	01/01/2018-12/31/2021	N	4.93
Councilperson	Colleen M. Pautler/xxxx	6 ½	01/01/2016-12/31/2019	N	4.92

APPOINTED OFFICIALS:

Town Prosecutor	Matthew B Herdzik/xxxx	6 ½	01/01/2018-12/21/2019	N	1.86
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2. The Town Clerk’s Office is directed to post this Resolution for a minimum of thirty (30) days; and
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The foregoing Resolution was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on April 15, 2019, as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler
Nays 0

Supervisor Savage moved and Councilwoman Pautler seconded the Motion to approve the Town of Alden Vuilding Office’s updating of the Town Street Directory for 2019 at a reasonable expense. Special thanks is directed to Town CEO Part Time Building Clerk, Susan Schumacher, for this directory compilation.

The foregoing Motion was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on April 15, 2019, as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler
Nays 0

Councilman Adamski moved and Councilwoman Pautler seconded the Motion to approve the Alden Community Scholarship Foundation’s “Dollars for Scholars” use of the Town’s portable Band Shell for their 14th annual 5K Race for Scholarships to be held on Thursday, July 11, 2019.

The foregoing Motion was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on April 15, 2019, as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler
Nays 0

Councilwoman Pautler moved and Councilman Adamski seconded the Motion to approve Saint John the Baptist School’s use of the Band Shelter for the school’s annual Lawn Fete which will be held on July 19, 20, and 21, 2019.

The foregoing Motion was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on April 15, 2019, as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler
Nays 0

Supervisor Savage moved and Councilwoman Pautler seconded the Motion to approve the Alden Garden Club’s use of the Community Center on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 from 3:00 PM through 9:00 PM for their annual Plant Auction. The Plant Auction is open to the public.

The foregoing Motion was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on April 15, 2019, as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler
Nays 0

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

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Alden has fully considered the adoption of Local Law No. 2 of the Year 2019 entitled "Local Law for Flood Damage Prevention" (the "Proposed Action"); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that the Proposed Action is an Unlisted Action under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Officer provided notice to the Erie County Division of Planning on or about March 29 2019, for this Proposed Action, as required under Section 239-m of the General Municipal Law and a "no recommendation" was received from the Division on April 2, 2019;

WHEREAS, the Town Attorney provided notice to the NYS DEC on February 26, 2019 and all comments have been addressed to the satisfaction of the NYS DEC; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act requires the Town to determine the Lead Agency status and the Town Board did assume Lead Agency status on April 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, the Town Board has prepared the Short Form Environmental Assessment Form, which is now on file with The Town Board and the Town's SEQR Intake Officer; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS THAT:

1. The Town Board did determine that the Proposed Action is an Unlisted Action under SEQRA.
2. The Town Board did determine that it should be the Lead Agency for all environmental review of the Proposed Action.
3. The Town of Alden, as Lead Agency, hereby determines that the unlisted action described in the attached SEQR NEGATIVE DECLARATION, NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE, which attached notice is hereby made a part of this Resolution, will not have a significant effect on the environment and that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to said Proposed Action.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The above resolution was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on April 15, 2019, the results of which were as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler

Nays 0

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

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 2 of the Year 2019 entitled "Local Law for Flood Damage Prevention" which

will amend the Alden Town Code to bring the same into compliance with new federal laws, was circulated to the Town Board on February 11, 2019 and was introduced to the Alden Town Board for consideration by Councilperson Pautler on March 4, 2019;

WHEREAS, an order was duly adopted by the Alden Town Board for a public hearing to be held by said Town Board on April 1, 2019 at 7:05 pm the Alden Town Hall, 3311 Wende Road, Alden, New York 14004 to hear all interested parties on the proposed Local Law;

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly published in the Alden Advertiser, the official newspaper of the Town of Alden;

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held on April 15, 2019 and all parties in favor of and opposed to the Local Law were heard;

WHEREAS, pursuant to part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) it has been determined by the Alden Town Board, as Lead Agency, as solicited on April 1, 2019, that adoption of said proposed Local Law is an Unlisted Action and will not have a significant effect upon the environment;

WHEREAS, the Erie County Division of Planning issued a "no recommendation" to the 239-m Notice that was received by them on or about April 2, 2019 and all comments made by the NYS DEC have been addressed to the satisfaction of the NYS DEC;

WHEREAS, the neighboring municipalities were given notice of the proposed Local Law on April 2, 2019;

WHEREAS, said Local Law will not have any adverse impact on the current land uses in this area; and

WHEREAS, the Alden Town Board, after due deliberation, finds it in the best interest of said the Town of Alden to adopt said Local Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS THAT:

1. The Alden Town Board hereby adopts said Local Law No. 2 of the Year 2019 entitled "Local Law for Flood Damage Prevention" a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of this resolution and rescinds in its entirety the Current Chapter 198 of the Alden Town Code;
2. That the Alden Town Clerk enter said Local Law in the minutes of this meeting and in the Local Law Book of the Town of Alden, and to give due notice of the adoption of said Local Law to the Secretary of State of New York, NYS DEC and FEMA post the same on the Town Bulletin Board and publish the same in the Alden Advertiser; and
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The foregoing Resolution was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on April 15, 2019, as follows:

A local law for Flood Damage Prevention as authorized by the New York State Constitution, Article IX, Section 2, and Environmental Conservation Law, Article 36.

[Editor's Note: Current Town of Alden Chapter 198 will be replaced in its entirety with this new local law.]

SECTION 1.0 STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION AND PURPOSE

1.1 FINDINGS

The Town Board of the Town of Alden finds that the potential and/or actual damages from flooding and erosion may be a problem to the residents of the Town of Alden and that such damages may include: destruction or loss of private and public housing, damage to public facilities, both publicly and privately owned, and injury to and loss of human life. In order to minimize the threat of such damages and to achieve the purposes and objectives hereinafter set forth, this local law is adopted.

1.2 STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

It is the purpose of this local law to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare, and to minimize public and private losses due to flood conditions in specific areas by provisions designed to:

- (1) regulate uses which are dangerous to health, safety and property due to water or erosion hazards, or which result in damaging increases in erosion or in flood heights or velocities;
- (2) require that uses vulnerable to floods, including facilities which serve such uses, be protected against flood damage at the time of initial construction;
- (3) control the alteration of natural floodplains, stream channels, and natural protective barriers which are involved in the accommodation of flood waters;
- (4) control filling, grading, dredging and other development which may increase erosion or flood damages;
- (5) regulate the construction of flood barriers which will unnaturally divert flood waters or which may increase flood hazards to other lands, and;
- (6) qualify and maintain for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program.

1.3 OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this local law are:

- (1) to protect human life and health;
- (2) to minimize expenditure of public money for costly flood control projects;
- (3) to minimize the need for rescue and relief efforts associated with flooding and generally undertaken at the expense of the general public;
- (4) to minimize prolonged business interruptions;
- (5) to minimize damage to public facilities and utilities such as water and gas mains, electric, telephone, sewer lines, streets and bridges located in areas of special flood hazard;
- (6) to help maintain a stable tax base by providing for the sound use and development of areas of special flood hazard so as to minimize future flood blight areas;
- (7) to provide that developers are notified that property is in an area of special flood hazard; and,
- (8) to ensure that those who occupy the areas of special flood hazard assume responsibility for their actions.

SECTION 2.0 DEFINITIONS

Unless specifically defined below, words or phrases used in this local law shall be interpreted so as to give them the meaning they have in common usage and to give this local law its most reasonable application.

“Accessory Structure” is a structure used solely for parking (two-car detached garages or smaller) or limited storage, represent a minimal investment of not more than 10 percent of the value of the primary structure, and may not be used for human habitation.

"Appeal" means a request for a review of the Local Administrator's interpretation of any provision of this Local Law or a request for a variance.

"Area of shallow flooding" means a designated AO, AH or VO Zone on a community's Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) with a one percent or greater annual chance of flooding to an average annual depth of one to three feet where a clearly defined channel does not exist, where the path of flooding is unpredictable and where velocity flow may be evident. Such flooding is characterized by ponding or sheet flow.

"Area of special flood hazard" is the land in the floodplain within a community subject to a one percent or greater chance of flooding in any given year. This area may be designated as Zone A, AE, AH, AO, A1-A30, A99, V, VO, VE, or V1-V30. It is also commonly referred to as the base floodplain or 100-year floodplain. For purposes of this Local Law, the term “special flood hazard area (SFHA)” is synonymous in meaning with the phrase “area of special flood hazard.”

"Base flood" means the flood having a one percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year.

"Basement" means that portion of a building having its floor subgrade (below ground level) on all sides.

"Building" see "Structure"

"Cellar" has the same meaning as "Basement".

"Crawl Space" means an enclosed area beneath the lowest elevated floor, eighteen inches or more in height, which is used to service the underside of the lowest elevated floor. The elevation of the floor of this enclosed area, which may be of soil, gravel, concrete or other material, must be equal to or above the lowest adjacent exterior grade. The enclosed crawl space area shall be properly vented to allow for the equalization of hydrostatic forces which would be experienced during periods of flooding.

"Development" means any man-made change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to buildings or other structures, mining, dredging, filling, paving, excavation or drilling operations or storage of equipment or materials.

"Elevated building" means a non-basement building (i) built, in the case of a building in Zones A1-A30, AE, A, A99, AO, AH, B, C, X, or D, to have the top of the elevated floor, or in the case of a building in Zones V1-30, VE, or V, to have the bottom of the lowest horizontal structure member of the elevated floor, elevated above the ground level by means of pilings, columns (posts and piers), or shear walls parallel to the flow of the water and (ii) adequately anchored so as not to impair the structural integrity of the building during a flood of up to the magnitude of the base flood. In the case of Zones A1-A30, AE, A, A99, AO, AH, B, C, X, or D, "elevated building" also includes a building elevated by means of fill or solid foundation perimeter walls with openings sufficient to facilitate the unimpeded movement of flood waters. In the case of Zones V1-V30, VE, or V, "elevated building" also includes a building otherwise meeting the definition of "elevated building", even though the lower area is enclosed by means of breakaway walls that meet the federal standards.

"Federal Emergency Management Agency" means the Federal agency that administers the National Flood Insurance Program.

"Flood" or **"Flooding"** means a general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas from:

- (1) the overflow of inland or tidal waters;
- (2) the unusual and rapid accumulation or runoff of surface waters from any source.

"Flood" or "flooding" also means the collapse or subsidence of land along the shore of a lake or other body of water as a result of erosion or undermining caused by waves or currents of water exceeding anticipated cyclical levels or suddenly caused by an unusually high water level in a natural body of water, accompanied by a severe storm, or by an unanticipated force of nature, such as a flash flood or an abnormal tidal surge, or by some similarly unusual and unforeseeable event which results in flooding as defined in (1) above.

"Flood Boundary and Floodway Map (FBFM)" means an official map of the community published by the Federal Emergency Management Agency as part of a riverine community's Flood Insurance Study. The FBFM delineates a Regulatory Floodway along water courses studied in detail in the Flood Insurance Study.

"Flood Elevation Study" means an examination, evaluation and determination of the flood hazards and, if appropriate, corresponding water surface elevations, or an examination, evaluation and determination of flood-related erosion hazards.

"Flood Hazard Boundary Map (FHBM)" means an official map of a community, issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, where the boundaries of the areas of special flood hazard have been designated as Zone A but no flood elevations are provided.

"Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)" means an official map of a community, on which the Federal Emergency Management Agency has delineated both the areas of special flood hazard and the risk premium zones applicable to the community.

"Flood Insurance Study" see "flood elevation study".

"Floodplain" or "Flood-prone area" means any land area susceptible to being inundated by water from any source (see definition of "Flooding").

"Floodproofing" means any combination of structural and non-structural additions, changes, or adjustments to structures which reduce or eliminate flood damage to real estate or improved real property, water and sanitary facilities, structures and their contents.

"Floodway" - has the same meaning as "Regulatory Floodway".

"Functionally dependent use" means a use which cannot perform its intended purpose unless it is located or carried out in close proximity to water, such as a docking or port facility necessary for the loading and unloading of cargo or passengers, shipbuilding, and ship repair facilities. The term does not include long-term storage, manufacturing, sales, or service facilities.

"Highest adjacent grade" means the highest natural elevation of the ground surface, prior to construction, next to the proposed walls of a structure.

"Historic structure" means any structure that is:

- (1) listed individually in the National Register of Historic Places (a listing maintained by the Department of the Interior) or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as meeting the requirements for individual listing on the National Register;
- (2) certified or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as contributing to the historical significance of a registered historic district or a district preliminarily determined by the Secretary to qualify as a registered historic district;
- (3) individually listed on a state inventory of historic places in states with historic preservation programs which have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior; or
- (4) individually listed on a local inventory of historic places in communities with historic preservation programs that have been certified either:
 - (i) by an approved state program as determined by the Secretary of the Interior or

- (ii) directly by the Secretary of the Interior in states without approved programs.

"Local Administrator" is the person appointed by the community to administer and implement this local law by granting or denying development permits in accordance with its provisions. This person is often the Building Inspector, Code Enforcement Officer, or employee of an engineering department.

"Lowest floor" means lowest floor of the lowest enclosed area (including basement or cellar). An unfinished or flood resistant enclosure, usable solely for parking of vehicles, building access, or storage in an area other than a basement area is not considered a building's lowest floor; provided, that such enclosure is not built so as to render the structure in violation of the applicable non-elevation design requirements of this Local Law.

"Manufactured home" means a structure, transportable in one or more sections, which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities. The term does not include a "Recreational vehicle"

"Manufactured home park or subdivision" means a parcel (or contiguous parcels) of land divided into two or more manufactured home lots for rent or sale.

"Mean sea level" means, for purposes of the National Flood Insurance Program, the National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD) of 1929, the North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD 88), or other datum, to which base flood elevations shown on a community's Flood Insurance Rate Map are referenced.

"Mobile home" - has the same meaning as "Manufactured home".

"New construction" means structures for which the "start of construction" commenced on or after the effective date of a floodplain management regulation adopted by the community and includes any subsequent improvements to such structure.

"One hundred year flood" or **"100-year flood"** has the same meaning as "Base Flood".

"Principally above ground" means that at least 51 percent of the actual cash value of the structure, excluding land value, is above ground.

"Recreational vehicle" means a vehicle which is:

- (1) built on a single chassis;
- (2) 400 square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projections;
- (3) designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a light duty truck; and
- (4) not designed primarily for use as a permanent dwelling but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel, or seasonal use.

"Regulatory Floodway" means the channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the base flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than a designated height as determined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in a Flood Insurance Study or by other agencies as provided in Section 4.4-2 of this Law.

"Start of construction" means the date of permit issuance for new construction and substantial improvements to existing structures, provided that actual start of construction, repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition placement, or other improvement is within 180 days after the date of issuance. The actual start of construction means the first placement of permanent construction of a building (including a manufactured home) on a site, such as the pouring of a slab or footings, installation of pilings or construction of columns.

Permanent construction does not include land preparation (such as clearing, excavation, grading, or filling), or the installation of streets or walkways, or excavation for a basement, footings, piers or foundations, or the erection of temporary forms, or the installation of accessory buildings such as garages or sheds not occupied as dwelling units or not part of the main building. For a substantial improvement, the actual "start of construction" means the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor, or

other structural part of a building, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the building.

"Structure" means a walled and roofed building, including a gas or liquid storage tank that is principally above ground, as well as a manufactured home.

"Substantial damage" means damage of any origin sustained by a structure whereby the cost of restoring the structure to its before damaged condition would equal or exceed 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the damage occurred.

"Substantial improvement" means any reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, or other improvement of a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the "start of construction" of the improvement. The term includes structures which have incurred "substantial damage", regardless of the actual repair work performed. The term does not, however, include either:

- (1) any project for improvement of a structure to correct existing violations of state or local health, sanitary, or safety code specifications which have been identified by the local code enforcement official and which are the minimum necessary to assure safe living conditions;
or
- (2) any alteration of a "Historic structure", provided that the alteration will not preclude the structure's continued designation as a "Historic structure".

"Variance" means a grant of relief from the requirements of this local law which permits construction or use in a manner that would otherwise be prohibited by this local law.

"Violation" means the failure of a structure or other development to be fully compliant with the community's flood plain management regulations.

**SECTION 3.0
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

3.1 LANDS TO WHICH THIS LOCAL LAW APPLIES

This local law shall apply to all areas of special flood hazard within the jurisdiction of the Town of Alden.

3.2 BASIS FOR ESTABLISHING THE AREAS OF SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD

The areas of special flood hazard are identified and defined on the following documents prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency:

- (1) Flood Insurance Rate Maps:

36029C0254H, 36029C0258H, 36029C0259H, 36029C0262H, 36029C0264H,
36029C0265H, 36029C0266H, 36029C0267H, 36029C0268H, 36029C0269H,
36029C0280H, 36029C0286H, 36029C0287H, 36029C0290H, 36029C0377H,
36029C0381H, 36029C0382H, 36029C0401H, 36029C0402H

whose effective date is June 7, 2019, and any subsequent revisions to these map panels that do not affect areas under our community's jurisdiction

- (2) A scientific and engineering report entitled "Flood Insurance Study, Erie County, New York (All Jurisdictions)" dated June 7, 2019.

The above documents are hereby adopted and declared to be a part of this Local Law. The Flood Insurance Study and/or maps are on file at:

Town of Alden – Town Clerk, 3311 Wende Road, Alden, NY
14004

3.3 INTERPRETATION AND CONFLICT WITH OTHER LAWS

This Local Law includes all revisions to the National Flood Insurance Program through October 27, 1997 and shall supersede all previous laws adopted for the purpose of flood damage prevention.

In their interpretation and application, the provisions of this local law shall be held to be minimum requirements, adopted for the promotion of the public health, safety, and welfare. Whenever the requirements of this local law are at variance with the requirements of any other lawfully adopted rules, regulations, or ordinances, the most restrictive, or that imposing the higher standards, shall govern.

3.4 SEVERABILITY

The invalidity of any section or provision of this local law shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof.

3.5 PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE

No structure in an area of special flood hazard shall hereafter be constructed, located, extended, converted, or altered and no land shall be excavated or filled without full compliance with the terms of this local law and any other applicable regulations. Any infraction of the provisions of this local law by failure to comply with any of its requirements, including infractions of conditions and safeguards established in connection with conditions of the permit, shall constitute a violation. Any person who violates this local law or fails to comply with any of its requirements shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined no more than \$250 or imprisoned for not more than 15 days or both. Each day of noncompliance shall be considered a separate offense. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the Town of Alden from taking such other lawful action as necessary to prevent or remedy an infraction. Any structure found not compliant with the requirements of this local law for which

the developer and/or owner has not applied for and received an approved variance under Section 6.0 will be declared non-compliant and notification sent to the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

3.6 WARNING AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

The degree of flood protection required by this local law is considered reasonable for regulatory purposes and is based on scientific and engineering considerations. Larger floods can and will occur on rare occasions. Flood heights may be increased by man-made or natural causes. This local law does not imply that land outside the area of special flood hazards or uses permitted within such areas will be free from flooding or flood damages. This local law shall not create liability on the part of the Town of Alden, any officer or employee thereof, or the Federal Emergency Management Agency, for any flood damages that result from reliance on this local law or any administrative decision lawfully made there under.

SECTION 4.0 ADMINISTRATION

4.1 DESIGNATION OF THE LOCAL ADMINISTRATOR

The Code Executive Officer (CEO) is hereby appointed Local Administrator to administer and implement this local law by granting or denying floodplain development permits in accordance with its provisions.

4.2 THE FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

4.2-1 PURPOSE

A floodplain development permit is hereby established for all construction and other development to be undertaken in areas of special flood hazard in this community for the purpose of protecting its citizens from increased flood hazards and insuring that new development is constructed in a manner that minimizes its exposure to flooding. It shall be unlawful to undertake any development in an area of special flood hazard, as shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Map enumerated in Section 3.2, without a valid floodplain development permit. Application for a permit shall be made on forms furnished by the Local Administrator and may include, but not be limited to: plans, in duplicate, drawn to scale and showing: the nature, location, dimensions, and elevations of the area in question; existing or proposed structures, fill, storage of materials, drainage facilities, and the location of the foregoing.

4.2-2 FEES

All applications for a floodplain development permit shall be accompanied by an application fee as set in the Town's Schedule of Fees. In addition, the applicant shall be responsible for reimbursing the Town of Alden for any additional costs necessary for review, inspection and approval of this project. The Local Administrator may require a deposit of no more than \$500.00 to cover these additional costs.

4.3 APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT

The applicant shall provide the following information as appropriate. Additional information may be required on the permit application form.

- (1) The proposed elevation, in relation to mean sea level, of the lowest floor (including basement or cellar) of any new or substantially improved structure to be located in Zones A1-A30, AE or AH, or Zone A if base flood elevation data are available. Upon completion of the lowest floor, the permittee shall submit to the Local Administrator the as-built elevation, certified by a licensed professional engineer or surveyor.
- (2) The proposed elevation, in relation to mean sea level, to which any new or substantially improved non-residential structure will be floodproofed. Upon completion of the floodproofed portion of the structure, the permittee shall submit to the Local Administrator the as-built floodproofed elevation, certified by a professional engineer or surveyor.
- (3) A certificate from a licensed professional engineer or architect that any utility floodproofing will meet the criteria in Section 5.2-3, UTILITIES.
- (4) A certificate from a licensed professional engineer or architect that any non-residential floodproofed structure will meet the floodproofing criteria in Section 5.4, NON-RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES.
- (5) A description of the extent to which any watercourse will be altered or relocated as a result of proposed development. Computations by a licensed professional engineer must be submitted that demonstrate that the altered or relocated segment will provide equal or greater conveyance than the original stream segment. The applicant must submit any maps, computations or other material required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to revise the documents enumerated in Section 3.2, when notified by the Local Administrator, and must pay any fees or other costs assessed by FEMA for this purpose. The

applicant must also provide assurances that the conveyance capacity of the altered or relocated stream segment will be maintained.

- (6) A technical analysis, by a licensed professional engineer, if required by the Local Administrator, which shows whether proposed development to be located in an area of special flood hazard may result in physical damage to any other property.
- (7) In Zone A, when no base flood elevation data are available from other sources, base flood elevation data shall be provided by the permit applicant for subdivision proposals and other proposed developments (including proposals for manufactured home and recreational vehicle parks and subdivisions) that are greater than either 50 lots or 5 acres.

4.4 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE LOCAL ADMINISTRATOR

Duties of the Local Administrator shall include, but not be limited to the following.

4.4-1 PERMIT APPLICATION REVIEW

The Local Administrator shall conduct the following permit application review before issuing a floodplain development permit:

- (1) Review all applications for completeness, particularly with the requirements of subsection 4.3, APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT, and for compliance with the provisions and standards of this law.
- (2) Review subdivision and other proposed new development, including manufactured home parks to determine whether proposed building sites will be reasonably safe from flooding. If a proposed building site is located in an area of special flood hazard, all new construction and substantial improvements shall meet the applicable standards of Section 5.0, CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS and, in particular, sub-section 5.1-1 SUBDIVISION PROPOSALS.
- (3) Determine whether any proposed development in an area of special flood hazard may result in physical damage to any other property (e.g., stream bank erosion and increased flood velocities). The Local Administrator may require the applicant to submit additional technical analyses and data necessary to complete the determination.

If the proposed development may result in physical damage to any other property or fails to meet the requirements of Section 5.0, CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS, no permit shall be issued. The applicant may revise the application to include measures that mitigate or eliminate the adverse effects and re-submit the application.

- (4) Determine that all necessary permits have been received from those governmental agencies from which approval is required by State or Federal law.

4.4-2 USE OF OTHER FLOOD DATA

- (1) When the Federal Emergency Management Agency has designated areas of special flood hazard on the community's Flood Insurance Rate map (FIRM) but has neither produced water surface elevation data (these areas are designated Zone A or V on the FIRM) nor identified a floodway, the Local Administrator shall obtain, review and reasonably utilize any base flood elevation and floodway data available from a Federal, State or other source, including data developed pursuant to paragraph 4.3(7), as criteria for requiring that new construction, substantial improvements or other proposed development meet the requirements of this law.
- (2) When base flood elevation data are not available, the Local Administrator may use flood information from any other authoritative source, such as historical data, to establish flood elevations within the areas of special flood hazard, for the purposes of this law.
- (3) When an area of special flood hazard, base flood elevation, and/or floodway data are available from a Federal, State or other authoritative source, but differ from the data in

the documents enumerated in Section 3.2, the Local Administrator may reasonably utilize the other flood information to enforce more restrictive development standards.

4.4-3 ALTERATION OF WATERCOURSES

- (1) Notification to adjacent municipalities that may be affected and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation prior to permitting any alteration or relocation of a watercourse and submit evidence of such notification to the Regional Administrator, Region II, Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- (2) Determine that the permit holder has provided for maintenance within the altered or relocated portion of said watercourse so that the flood carrying capacity is not diminished.

4.4-4 CONSTRUCTION STAGE

- (1) In Zones A1-A30, AE and AH, and also Zone A if base flood elevation data are available, upon placement of the lowest floor or completion of floodproofing of a new or substantially improved structure, obtain from the permit holder a certification of the as-built elevation of the lowest floor or floodproofed elevation, in relation to mean sea level. The certificate shall be prepared by or under the direct supervision of a licensed land surveyor or professional engineer and certified by same. For manufactured homes, the permit holder shall submit the certificate of elevation upon placement of the structure on the site. A certificate of elevation must also be submitted for a recreational vehicle if it remains on a site for 180 consecutive days or longer (unless it is fully licensed and ready for highway use).
- (2) Any further work undertaken prior to submission and approval of the certification shall be at the permit holder's risk. The Local Administrator shall review all data submitted. Deficiencies detected shall be cause to issue a stop work order for the project unless immediately corrected.

4.4-5 INSPECTIONS

The Local Administrator and/or the developer's engineer or architect shall make periodic inspections at appropriate times throughout the period of construction in order to monitor compliance with permit conditions and enable said inspector to certify, if requested, that the development is in compliance with the requirements of the floodplain development permit and/or any variance provisions.

4.4-6 STOP WORK ORDERS

- (1) The Local Administrator shall issue, or cause to be issued, a stop work order for any floodplain development found ongoing without a development permit. Disregard of a stop work order shall subject the violator to the penalties described in Section 3.5 of this local law.
- (2) The Local Administrator shall issue, or cause to be issued, a stop work order for any floodplain development found non-compliant with the provisions of this law and/or the conditions of the development permit. Disregard of a stop work order shall subject the violator to the penalties described in Section 3.5 of this local law.

4.4-7 CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

- (1) In areas of special flood hazard, as determined by documents enumerated in Section 3.2, it shall be unlawful to occupy or to permit the use or occupancy of any building or premises, or both, or part thereof hereafter created, erected, changed, converted or wholly or partly altered or enlarged in its use or structure until a certificate of compliance has been issued by the Local Administrator stating that the building or land conforms to the requirements of this local law.
- (2) A certificate of compliance shall be issued by the Local Administrator upon satisfactory completion of all development in areas of special flood hazard.

- (3) Issuance of the certificate shall be based upon the inspections conducted as prescribed in Section 4.4-5, INSPECTIONS, and/or any certified elevations, hydraulic data, floodproofing, anchoring requirements or encroachment analyses which may have been required as a condition of the approved permit.

4.4-8 INFORMATION TO BE RETAINED

The Local Administrator shall retain and make available for inspection, copies of the following:

- (1) Floodplain development permits and certificates of compliance;
- (2) Certifications of as-built lowest floor elevations of structures required pursuant to sub-sections 4.4-4(1) and 4.4-4(2), and whether or not the structures contain a basement;
- (3) Floodproofing certificates required pursuant to sub-section 4.4-4(1), and whether the structures contain a basement;
- (4) Variances issued pursuant to Section 6.0, VARIANCE PROCEDURES; and,
- (5) Notices required under sub-section 4.4-3, ALTERATION OF WATERCOURSES.
- (6) Letters of Map Amendment (LOMA), Letters of Map Revision (LOMR) and Letters of Map Revision based on Fill (LOMR-F), that have been issued by FEMA relating to SFHA's in the Town.

SECTION 5.0 CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

5.1 GENERAL STANDARDS

The following standards apply to new development, including new and substantially improved structures, in the areas of special flood hazard shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Map designated in Section 3.2.

5.1-1 SUBDIVISION PROPOSALS

The following standards apply to all new subdivision proposals and other proposed development in areas of special flood hazard (including proposals for manufactured home and recreational vehicle parks and subdivisions):

- (1) Proposals shall be consistent with the need to minimize flood damage,
- (2) Public utilities and facilities such as sewer, gas, electrical and water systems shall be located and constructed to minimize flood damage; and,
- (3) Adequate drainage shall be provided to reduce exposure to flood damage.

5.1-2 ENCROACHMENTS

- (1) Within Zones A1-A30 and AE, on streams without a regulatory floodway, no new construction, substantial improvements or other development (including fill) shall be permitted unless:
 - (i) the applicant demonstrates that the cumulative effect of the proposed development, when combined with all other existing and anticipated development, will not increase the water surface elevation of the base flood more than one foot at any location, or,
 - (ii) the Town of Alden agrees to apply to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for a conditional FIRM revision, FEMA approval is received and the applicant provides all necessary data, analyses and mapping and reimburses the Town of Alden for all fees and other costs in relation to the application. The applicant must also provide all data, analyses and mapping and reimburse the Town of Alden for all costs related to the final map revision.
- (2) On streams with a regulatory floodway, as shown on the Flood Boundary and Floodway Map or the Flood Insurance Rate Map adopted in Section 3.2, no new construction, substantial improvements or other development in the floodway (including fill) shall be permitted unless:
 - (i) a technical evaluation, which shall include hydrologic and hydraulic analyses performed in accordance with standard engineering practice by a licensed engineer, demonstrates that such an encroachment shall not result in any increase in flood levels during occurrence of the base flood, or,
 - (ii) the Town of Alden agrees to apply to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for a conditional FIRM and floodway revision, FEMA approval is received, and the applicant provides all necessary data, analyses and mapping and reimburses the Town of Alden for all fees and other costs in relation to the application. The applicant must also provide all data, analyses and mapping and reimburse the Town of Alden for all costs related to the final map revisions.
- (3) In Zones A1-A30, AE and AH, and also Zone A if base flood elevation data are available, if any development is found to increase or decrease base flood elevations, the Town of Alden shall as soon as practicable, but not later than six months after the date such information becomes available, notify FEMA and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation of the changes by submitting technical or scientific data in accordance with standard engineering practice.

5.2 STANDARDS FOR ALL STRUCTURES

The following standards apply to new development, including new and substantially improved structures, in the areas of special flood hazard shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Map designated in Section 3.2.

5.2-1 ANCHORING

New structures and substantial improvement to structures in areas of special flood hazard shall be anchored to prevent flotation, collapse, or lateral movement during the base flood. This requirement is in addition to applicable State and local anchoring requirements for resisting wind forces.

5.2-2 CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND METHODS

- (1) New construction and substantial improvements to structures shall be constructed with materials and utility equipment resistant to flood damage.
- (2) New construction and substantial improvements to structures shall be constructed using methods and practices that minimize flood damage.
- (3) For enclosed areas below the lowest floor of a structure within Zones A1-A30, AE, AO or A, new and substantially improved structures shall have fully enclosed areas below the lowest floor that are useable solely for parking of vehicles, building access or storage in an area other than a basement and which are subject to flooding, designed to automatically equalize hydrostatic flood forces on exterior walls by allowing for the entry and exit of flood waters. Designs for meeting this requirement must either be certified by a licensed professional engineer or architect or meet or exceed the following minimum criteria:
 - (i) a minimum of two openings of each enclosed area having a total net area of not less than one square inch for every square foot of enclosed area subject to flooding;
 - (ii) the bottom of all such openings no higher than one foot above the lowest adjacent finished grade and;
 - (iii) openings not less than three inches in any direction.

Openings may be equipped with louvers, valves, screens or other coverings or devices provided they permit the automatic entry and exit of floodwaters. Enclosed areas sub-grade on all sides are considered basements and are not permitted.

5.2-3 UTILITIES

- (1) New and replacement electrical equipment, heating, ventilating, air conditioning, plumbing connections, and other service equipment shall be located at least two feet above the base flood elevation, or at least three feet above the highest adjacent grade in a Zone A without an available base flood elevation, or be designed to prevent water from entering and accumulating within the components during a flood and to resist hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads and stresses. Electrical wiring and outlets, switches, junction boxes and panels shall be elevated or designed to prevent water from entering and accumulating within the components unless they conform to the appropriate provisions of the electrical part of the Building Code of New York State or the Residential Code of New York State for location of such items in wet locations;
- (2) New and replacement water supply systems shall be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the system;
- (3) New and replacement sanitary sewage systems shall be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters. Sanitary sewer and storm drainage systems for buildings that have openings below the base flood elevation shall be provided with

automatic backflow valves or other automatic backflow devices that are installed in each discharge line passing through a building's exterior wall; and,

- (4) On-site waste disposal systems shall be located to avoid impairment to them or contamination from them during flooding.

5.2-4 STORAGE TANKS

- (1) Underground tanks shall be anchored to prevent flotation, collapse and lateral movement during conditions of the base flood.
- (2) Above-ground tanks shall be:
 - a. anchored to prevent flotation, collapse or lateral movement during conditions of the base flood or;
 - b. installed at or above the base flood elevation as shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Map enumerated in Section 3.2 plus two feet.

5.3 RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES

5.3-1 ELEVATION

The following standards apply to new and substantially improved residential structures located in areas of special flood hazard, in addition to the requirements in sub-sections 5.1-1, SUBDIVISION PROPOSALS, and 5.1-2, ENCROACHMENTS, and Section 5.2, STANDARDS FOR ALL STRUCTURES.

- (1) Within Zones A1-A30, AE and AH and also Zone A if base flood elevation data are available, new construction and substantial improvements shall have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated to or above two feet above the base flood elevation.
- (2) Within Zone A, when no base flood elevation data are available, new construction and substantial improvements shall have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated at least three feet above the highest adjacent grade.
- (3) Within Zone AO, new construction and substantial improvements shall have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated above the highest adjacent grade at least as high as the depth number specified in feet on the community's Flood Insurance Rate Map enumerated in Section 3.2 plus two feet (at least three feet if no depth number is specified).
- (4) Within Zones AH and AO, adequate drainage paths are required to guide flood waters around and away from proposed structures on slopes.

5.4 NON-RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES

The following standards apply to new and substantially improved commercial, industrial and other non-residential structures located in areas of special flood hazard, in addition to the requirements in sub-sections 5.1-1, SUBDIVISION PROPOSALS, and 5.1-2, ENCROACHMENTS, and Section 5.2, STANDARDS FOR ALL STRUCTURES.

- (1) Within Zones A1-A30, AE and AH, and also Zone A if base flood elevation data are available, new construction and substantial improvements of any non-residential structure shall either:
 - (i) have the lowest floor, including basement or cellar, elevated to or above two feet above the base flood elevation; or
 - (ii) be floodproofed so that the structure is watertight below two feet above the base flood elevation, including attendant utility and sanitary facilities, with walls substantially impermeable to the passage of water. All structural components located below

the base flood level must be capable of resisting hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads and the effects of buoyancy.

- (2) Within Zone AO, new construction and substantial improvements of non-residential structures shall:
 - (i) have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated above the highest adjacent grade at least as high as the depth number specified in feet on the community's FIRM plus two feet (at least three feet if no depth number is specified), or
 - (ii) together with attendant utility and sanitary facilities, be completely floodproofed to that level to meet the floodproofing standard specified in sub-section 5.4(1)(ii)
- (3) If the structure is to be floodproofed, a licensed professional engineer or architect shall develop and/or review structural design, specifications, and plans for construction. A Floodproofing Certificate or other certification shall be provided to the Local Administrator that certifies the design and methods of construction are in accordance with accepted standards of practice for meeting the provisions of Section 5.4(1)(ii), including the specific elevation (in relation to mean sea level) to which the structure is to be floodproofed.
- (4) Within Zones AH and AO, adequate drainage paths are required to guide flood waters around and away from proposed structures on slopes.
- (5) Within Zone A, when no base flood elevation data are available, the lowest floor (including basement) shall be elevated at least three feet above the highest adjacent grade.

5.5 MANUFACTURED HOMES AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

The following standards in addition to the standards in Section 5.1, GENERAL STANDARDS, and Section 5.2, STANDARDS FOR ALL STRUCTURES apply, as indicated, in areas of special flood hazard to manufactured homes and to recreational vehicles which are located in areas of special flood hazard.

- (1) Recreational vehicles placed on sites within Zones A1-A30, AE and AH shall either:
 - (i) be on site fewer than 180 consecutive days,
 - (ii) be fully licensed and ready for highway use, or
 - (iii) meet the requirements for manufactured homes in paragraphs 5.5(2), (3) and (4).

A recreational vehicle is ready for highway use if it is on its wheels or jacking system, is attached to the site only by quick disconnect type utilities and security devices and has no permanently attached additions.

- (2) A manufactured home that is placed or substantially improved in Zones A1-A30, AE and AH shall be elevated on a permanent foundation such that the bottom of the frame of the manufactured home chassis is elevated to or above two feet above the base flood elevation and is securely anchored to an adequately anchored foundation system to resist flotation, collapse and lateral movement.
- (3) Within Zone A, when no base flood elevation data are available, new and substantially improved manufactured homes shall be elevated such that the bottom of the frame of the manufactured home chassis is supported by reinforced piers or other foundation elements of at least equivalent strength that are no less than 36 inches in height above grade and are securely anchored to an adequately anchored foundation system to resist flotation, collapse or lateral movement.
- (4) Within Zone AO, the bottom of the frame of the manufactured home chassis shall be elevated above the highest adjacent grade at least as high as the depth number specified on the Flood Insurance Rate Map enumerated in Section 3.2 plus two feet (at least three feet if no depth number is specified).

5.6 ACCESSORY STRUCTURES INCLUDING DETACHED GARAGES

The following standards apply to new and substantially improved accessory structures, including detached garages, in the areas of special flood hazard shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Map designated in Section 3.2.

- (1) Within Zones A1-A30, AE, AO, AH, A, accessory structures must meet the standards of Section 5.2-1, ANCHORING,
- (2) Within Zones A1-A30, AE and AH, and also Zone A if base flood elevation data are available, areas below two feet above the base flood elevation shall be constructed using methods and practices that minimize flood damage.
- (3) Within Zones AO and Zone A, if base flood elevation data are not available, areas below three feet above the highest adjacent grade shall be constructed using methods and practices that minimize flood damage.
- (4) Structures must be designed to automatically equalize hydrostatic flood forces on exterior walls by allowing for the entry and exit of flood waters in accordance with Section 5.2-2(3).
- (5) Utilities must meet the requirements of Section 5.2-3, UTILITIES.

SECTION 6.0
VARIANCE PROCEDURE

6.1 APPEALS BOARD

- (1) The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), as established by the Town of Alden shall hear and decide appeals and requests for variances from the requirements of this local law.
- (2) The Zoning Board of Appeals shall hear and decide appeals when it is alleged there is an error in any requirement, decision, or determination made by the Local Administrator in the enforcement or administration of this local law.
- (3) Those aggrieved by the decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals may appeal such decision to the Supreme Court pursuant to Article 78 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules.
- (4) In passing upon such applications, the Zoning Board of Appeals, shall consider all technical evaluations, all relevant factors, standards specified in other sections of this local law and:
 - (i) the danger that materials may be swept onto other lands to the injury of others;
 - (ii) the danger to life and property due to flooding or erosion damage;
 - (iii) the susceptibility of the proposed facility and its contents to flood damage and the effect of such damage on the individual owner;
 - (iv) the importance of the services provided by the proposed facility to the community;
 - (v) the necessity to the facility of a waterfront location, where applicable;
 - (vi) the availability of alternative locations for the proposed use which are not subject to flooding or erosion damage;
 - (vii) the compatibility of the proposed use with existing and anticipated development;
 - (viii) the relationship of the proposed use to the comprehensive plan and floodplain management program of that area;
 - (ix) the safety of access to the property in times of flood for ordinary and emergency vehicles;
 - (x) the costs to local governments and the dangers associated with conducting search and rescue operations during periods of flooding;
 - (xi) the expected heights, velocity, duration, rate of rise and sediment transport of the flood waters and the effects of wave action, if applicable, expected at the site; and
 - (xii) the costs of providing governmental services during and after flood conditions, including search and rescue operations, maintenance and repair of public utilities and facilities such as sewer, gas, electrical, and water systems and streets and bridges.
- (5) Upon consideration of the factors of Section 6.1(4) and the purposes of this local law, the Zoning Board of Appeals may attach such conditions to the granting of variances as it deems necessary to further the purposes of this local law.
- (6) The Local Administrator shall maintain the records of all appeal actions including technical information and report any variances to the Federal Emergency Management Agency upon request.

6.2 CONDITIONS FOR VARIANCES

- (1) Generally, variances may be issued for new construction and substantial improvements to be erected on a lot of one-half acre or less in size contiguous to and surrounded by lots with

existing structures constructed below the base flood level, providing items (i-xii) in Section 6.1(4) have been fully considered. As the lot size increases beyond the one-half acre, the technical justification required for issuing the variance increases.

- (2) Variances may be issued for the repair or rehabilitation of historic structures upon determination that:
 - (i) the proposed repair or rehabilitation will not preclude the structure's continued designation as a "Historic structure"; and
 - (ii) the variance is the minimum necessary to preserve the historic character and design of the structure.
- (3) Variances may be issued by a community for new construction and substantial improvements and for other development necessary for the conduct of a functionally dependent use provided that:
 - (i) the criteria of subparagraphs 1, 4, 5, and 6 of this Section are met; and
 - (ii) the structure or other development is protected by methods that minimize flood damages during the base flood and create no additional threat to public safety.
- (4) Variances shall not be issued within any designated floodway if any increase in flood levels during the base flood discharge would result.
- (5) Variances shall only be issued upon a determination that the variance is the minimum necessary, considering the flood hazard, to afford relief.
- (6) Variances shall only be issued upon receiving written justification of:
 - (i) a showing of good and sufficient cause;
 - (ii) a determination that failure to grant the variance would result in exceptional hardship to the applicant; and
 - (iii) a determination that the granting of a variance will not result in increased flood heights, additional threats to public safety, extraordinary public expense, create nuisances, cause fraud on or victimization of the public or conflict with existing local laws or ordinances.
- (7) Any applicant to whom a variance is granted for a building with the lowest floor below the base flood elevation shall be given written notice over the signature of a community official that:
 - (i) the issuance of a variance to construct a structure below the base flood level will result in increased premium rates for flood insurance; and
 - (ii) such construction below the base flood level increases risks to life and property.

Such notification shall be maintained with the record of all variance actions as required in Section 4.4-8 of this Local Law.

Be it enacted this _____ day of _____, 20__ by the
_____ of the _____
_____, _____ County, New York,
to be effective _____.

SEAL

ATTEST _____ CLERK

Attachment A

**MODEL FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT
APPLICATION FORM**

FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION

This form is to be filled out in duplicate.

SECTION 1: GENERAL PROVISIONS (APPLICANT to read and sign): _____

1. No work may start until a permit is issued.
2. The permit may be revoked if any false statements are made herein.
3. If revoked, all work must cease until permit is re-issued.
4. Development shall not be used or occupied until a Certificate of Compliance is issued.
5. The permit is invalid if no work is commenced within six months of issuance and expires 2 years from date of issuance, ie. all work covered by this Permit must be completed within 2 years of issuance.
6. Applicant is hereby informed that other permits may be required to fulfill local, state and federal regulatory requirements.
7. Applicant hereby gives consent to the Local Administrator or his/her representative to make reasonable inspections required to verify compliance.
8. I, THE APPLICANT, CERTIFY THAT ALL STATEMENTS HEREIN AND IN ATTACHMENTS TO THIS APPLICATION ARE, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, TRUE AND ACCURATE.

(APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE) _____ DATE _____

SECTION 2: PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT (To be completed by APPLICANT)

NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
APPLICANT	_____	_____
BUILDER	_____	_____
ENGI- NEER	_____	_____

PROJECT LOCATION:

To avoid delay in processing the application, please provide enough information to easily identify the project location. Provide the street address, lot number or legal description (attach) and, outside urban areas, the distance to the nearest intersecting road or well-known landmark. A map attached to this application, and a sketch showing the project layout would be helpful.

APPLICATION # _____

DESCRIPTION OF WORK (Check all applicable boxes):

A. STRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>STRUCTURE TYPE</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> New Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Residential (1-4 Family)
<input type="checkbox"/> Addition	<input type="checkbox"/> Residential (More than 4 Family)
<input type="checkbox"/> Alteration	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-residential (Floodproofing? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No)
<input type="checkbox"/> Relocation	<input type="checkbox"/> Combined Use (Residential & Commercial)
<input type="checkbox"/> Demolition	<input type="checkbox"/> Manufactured (Mobile) Home
<input type="checkbox"/> Replacement	(In Manufactured Home Park? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No)

ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT \$ _____

B. OTHER DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES:

- Fill Mining Drilling Grading
- Excavation (Except for Structural Development Checked Above)
- Watercourse Alteration (Including Dredging and Channel Modifications)
- Drainage Improvements (Including Culvert Work), Stormwater Control Structures or Ponds
- Road, Street or Bridge Construction
- Subdivision (New or Expansion)
- Individual Water or Sewer System
- Other (Please Specify) _____

After completing SECTION 2, APPLICANT should submit form to Local Administrator for review.

SECTION 3: FLOODPLAIN DETERMINATION (To be completed by LOCAL ADMINISTRATOR)

The proposed development is located on FIRM Panel No. _____, Dated _____.

The Proposed Development:

- The proposed development is reasonably safe from flooding. Entire property is in Zone B, C or X.
- The proposed development is in adjacent to a flood prone area.
100-Year flood elevation at the site is:
_____Ft. NGVD 1929/ NAVD 1988 (MSL)
 Unavailable
- See Section 4 for additional instructions for development that is or may be in a flood prone area.

SIGNED _____ DATE _____

SECTION 4: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED (To be completed by LOCAL ADMINISTRATOR)

The applicant must submit the documents checked below before the application can be processed:

- A site plan showing the location of all existing structures, water bodies, adjacent roads, lot dimensions and proposed development.
- Development plans and specifications, drawn to scale, including where applicable: details for anchoring structures, proposed elevation of lowest floor (including basement), types of water resistant materials used below the first floor, details of floodproofing of utilities located below the first floor, details of enclosures below the first floor, openings in foundation for entry and exit of floodwaters.
Other _____
- Elevation Certificate
- Subdivision or other development plans (If the subdivision or other development exceeds 50 lots or 5 acres, whichever is the lesser, the applicant must provide 100-year flood elevations if they are not otherwise available).
- Plans showing the watercourse location, proposed relocations, Floodway location.
- Topographic information showing existing and proposed grades, location of all proposed fill.
- Top of new fill elevation _____ Ft. NGVD 1929/ NAVD 1988 (MSL)
- PE Certification of Soil Compaction
- Floodproofing protection level (non-residential only) ____ NGVD 1929/ NAVD 1988 (MSL)
For floodproofed structures, applicant must attach certification from registered engineer or architect.
- Other: _____

SECTION 5: PERMIT DETERMINATION (To be completed by LOCAL ADMINISTRATOR)

I have determined that the proposed activity: A. Is
 B. Is not
 in conformance with provisions of Local Law # _____, (yr) _____. This permit is hereby issued subject to the conditions attached to and made part of this permit.

SIGNED _____, DATE _____

If BOX A is checked, the Local Administrator may issue a Development Permit upon payment of designated fee.
If BOX B is checked, the Local Administrator will provide a written summary of deficiencies. Applicant may revise and resubmit an application to the Local Administrator or may request a hearing from the Board of Appeals.

Expiration Date: _____

APPEALS: Appealed to Board of Appeals? Yes No
Hearing date: _____
Appeals Board Decision --- Approved? Yes No

Conditions: _____

SECTION 6: AS-BUILT ELEVATIONS (To be submitted by **APPLICANT** before Certificate of Compliance is issued)

The following information must be provided for project structures. This section must be completed by a registered professional engineer or a licensed land surveyor (or attach a certification to this application). Complete 1 or 2 below.

1. Actual (As-Built) Elevation of the top of the lowest floor, including basement (in Coastal High Hazard Areas, bottom of lowest structural member of the lowest floor, excluding piling and columns) is: _____ FT.
 NGVD 1929/ NAVD 1988 (MSL).
Attach Elevation Certificate FEMA Form 81-31

2. Actual (As-Built) Elevation of floodproofing protection is _____ FT. NGVD 1929/ NAVD 1988 (MSL).
Attach Floodproofing Certificate FEMA Form 81-65

NOTE: Any work performed prior to submittal of the above information is at the risk of the Applicant.

SECTION 7: COMPLIANCE ACTION (To be completed by **LOCAL ADMINISTRATOR**)

The **LOCAL ADMINISTRATOR** will complete this section as applicable based on inspection of the project to ensure compliance with the community's local law for flood damage prevention.

INSPECTIONS: DATE _____ BY _____ DEFICIENCIES? YES NO
DATE _____ BY _____ DEFICIENCIES? YES NO
DATE _____ BY _____ DEFICIENCIES? YES NO

SECTION 8: CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE (To be completed by **LOCAL ADMINISTRATOR**)

Certificate of Compliance issued: DATE: _____

BY: _____

Attachment B

**SAMPLE
CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

for Development in a Special Flood Hazard Area

**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE
FOR DEVELOPMENT IN A SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA**

(Owner Must Retain This Certificate)

Premises located at: _____

Owner: _____

Owner's Address: _____

Permit No. _____ Permit Date: _____

Check One:

- New Building
- Existing Building
- Fill
- Other:

The Local Floodplain Administrator is to complete a. or b. below:

a. Compliance is hereby certified with the requirements of Local Law No. _____, (yr) _____.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

b. Compliance is hereby certified with the requirements of Local Law No. _____, (yr) _____, as modified by variance no. _____, dated _____.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler

Nays 0

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

WHEREAS, the Alden Town Board is considering an application by Robert Olsen for site plan approval of a 1,500 square foot building to be used for pet food sales at 12659 Broadway, in the Town of Alden, further identified by SBL # 119.00-2-12.1 (The "Proposed Action");

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Alden has determined that the Proposed Action is an Unlisted Action under SEQRA and has conducted 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 review; is the agency with the broadest governmental powers for investigating the impact of the proposed action; has the greatest capacity for providing the most thorough environmental assessment of the proposed action; and is the most local agent with permitting authority;

WHEREAS, the Town of Alden has provided notice to Erie County Planning as required under Section 239-m of the General Municipal Law and a "no recommendation" was received;

WHEREAS, the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act requires the Town of Alden to determine the Lead Agency status and the Lead Agency making a SEQR determination;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, the Applicant has prepared the Environmental Assessment Form, which is now on file with the Town Board and the Town's SEQR Intake Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Alden Planning Board has recommended the approval of the site plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS THAT:

1. The Town Board has determined that the Proposed Action is an Unlisted Action under SEQRA and that a proper coordinated review has been conducted;
2. The Town Board has determined that the Town of Alden should be the lead agency for all environmental review of the Proposed Action;
3. The Town of Alden, as Lead Agency, hereby determines that the unlisted action described in the SEQRA NEGATIVE DECLARATION, NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE, on file with the SEQRA Intake Officer, will not have a significant effect on the

environment and that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to said Proposed Action;

4. The Town Board of the Alden finds that the Proposed Action is consistent with the Town Code and approves the site plan; and

5. 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 April 15, 2019 the results of which were as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler

Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN ROGERS, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER TO WIT;

A hearing before the Town Board of the Town of Alden, in the County of Erie shall be held at the Town Hall, 3311 Wende Road, Alden, New York at 7:05 p.m. on the 15th day of April, 2019, for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in the proposed Local Law No. 2 of the Year 2019 entitled "Local Law for Flood Damage Prevention"; and

BE, IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Town Clerk is directed to (a) publish a notice of public hearing the Alden Advertiser, designated by the Town as its official newspapers for this publication, such publication to be not less than five days before the date of the public hearing; (b) post as required by law one copy of the Notice of Public Hearing no later than the day such Notice is published; and (c) notify by mail all parties of interest pursuant to the General Municipal Law and the Town Law of the Public Hearing, not less than five days before the date of the Public Hearing; and

BE, IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Building Department notify County Planning as required under §239-m of the General Municipal Law; and

BE, IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Town Clerk is to make copies of the proposed Local Law No. 2 of the Year 2019, entitled "Local Law for Flood Damage Prevention " available at her office for inspection and distribution to any interested person during business hours.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing order was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting of the Town Board on April 1, 2019, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler

Nays 0

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

WHEREAS, New York State General Municipal Law allows a municipality to approve the volunteer members of a volunteer fire department operating in said municipality;

WHEREAS, the Millgrove Volunteer Fire Department provides fire protection services within the Town of Alden pursuant to a contract with the Town of Alden;

WHEREAS, approval of members assists an injured volunteer firefighter in receiving worker's compensation benefits pursuant to New York State Volunteer Firefighter Benefit Law;

WHEREAS, Millgrove Volunteer Fire Department has approved Kerry Jovanelli for Membership;
and

WHEREAS, Millgrove Volunteer Fire Department has submitted to the Alden Town Clerk's Office notification of this new member.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS, THAT:

1. The Alden Town Board hereby approves Kerry Jovanelli for membership in the Millgrove Volunteer Fire Department, and
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The foregoing Resolution was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on April 15, 2019 as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler

Nays 0

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

WHEREAS: Erie County Legislator John Bruso has secured \$10,000 in grant funds in the 2019 Erie County Budget to benefit Senior Citizens in the Town of Alden, and

WHEREAS: the funding will be used toward paving the Senior Citizen/Community Center parking lot, thereby improving access to the Center by Senior Citizens and other patrons; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that Grantmakers Advantage, Inc., the Town's grant consultants, be authorized to complete the necessary application, forms, etc. to be submitted to Erie County for the purpose of securing this grant, and BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized and directed to execute all documents pertaining to the application and to the acquisition of said funding.

The foregoing Resolution was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on April 15, 2019 as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Savage, Adamski & Pautler

Nays 0

UNFINISHED & TABLED BUSINESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, OFFICIALS AND PERSONNEL

Councilwoman Pautler

Together with Deputy Supervisor Rogers, all Town policies and procedures are being reviewed, 3 have been completed, and updated. An audit of vouchers has also been conducted with no findings. Special Thanks to Supervisor Savage for the purchase of the bulletin board that will hang in the hallway and will supply Town employees with all State mandated policies and NYS Labor Laws. Supervisor Savage thanked Councilwoman Pautler for all her hard work.

Highway Superintendent Rogers

Spoke with Greg at GDI's on Sandridge with regard to his private drainage issues. There will be a meeting of all parties involved at GDI's tomorrow to see if any help can be offered.

Supervisor Savage

Thanked CEO Snyder for all his hard work on the updating of the Court Office. We should also think about the special schedule for the summer Work Sessions.

DCO Weglarski

Ordered all new dog kennels.

Planning Board, Ron Gardner

Received Mike Metzger's report on the Lucas James project. His findings came of no surprise, more work needs to be done as to the changing scope of the project.

Rodeo people have not yet supplied a site plan to obtain the special permit.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

NEXT WORK SESSION:

April 22, 2019

@7:00 P.M.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

May 6, 2019

@7:00 P.M.

MEMORIAL REMEMBRANCE -

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:45 P.M. Supervisor Savage adjourned the Meeting.

Alecia Barrett
Town Clerk