

The Regular Meeting of the Alden Town Board was held at 3311 Wende Road, Alden, NY on Monday, February 6, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. Supervisor Sitzman called the Meeting to Order and Councilwoman Waiss led in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Roll Call was taken by the Town Clerk.

PRESENT: Brett Sitzman, Town Supervisor
Gina Waiss, Councilwoman

RECORDING SECRETARY: Alecia Barrett, Town Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Strong, Town Attorney
Bill Rogers, Highway Superintendent
Mike Metzger, Town Engineer
Chris Snyder, CEO
Residents

Approval of the Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of January 17, 2023 moved to next meeting.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER, SECOND BY COUNCILWOMAN WAISS, WHO MOVED THAT THE FOLLOWING VOUCHERS BE ALLOWED AND PAID TO WIT; VOUCHERS #77 - 125 **ALL BILLS REVIEWED BY THE TOWN BOARD.**

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>		
	ABSTRACT #1	ABSTRACT #2	TOTAL
GENERAL FUND "A"	\$61,097.60	\$22,120.41	\$83,218.01
HIGHWAY FUND "DA/DB"	\$29,520.93	\$18,974.19	\$48,495.12
PART-TOWN FUND "B"	\$8,400.18	\$2,915.30	\$11,315.48
CONSOLIDATED WATER "WR"			
SPECIAL FIRE PROTECTION "SF"	\$125,118.00	\$4,359.79	\$129,477.79
WATER DIST. #1 FUND "WA"			
WATER DIST.EXCHANGE ST. "WX"	\$20,339.25		\$20,339.25
SEWER DIST. #2 FUND "SA"	\$239.40	\$655.20	\$894.60
TRUST & AGENCY "T"	\$16,196.06	\$3,447.41	\$19,643.47
SPECIAL REFUSE FUND "SR"	\$38,173.21		\$38,173.21
STREET LIGHTING FUND "SL"	\$5,391.42		\$5,391.42
PERIWINKLE LTG. DIST."SL1"	\$113.51		\$113.51
ZOELLER RD. WATER DIST. "WZ"	\$14,068.00		\$14,068.00
TOTAL	\$318,657.56	\$52,472.30	\$371,129.86

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS PUT TO A ROLL CALL VOTE ON February 6, 2023 AND

ADOPTED

Ayes 2 Sitzman & Waiss

Nays 0

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Supervisor Sitzman asked Town Engineer, Mike Metzger, to give a synopsis of the Ledgestone Village project. Highway Superintendent Rogers added that the construction access road requested for phases 1 & 2 was denied.

Joanna Eisensmith, E. Laray – stated Town owns right of way in question

Cassidy Bauer, E. Laray – read letter she wrote about safety of children who play in the neighborhood

Jennifer Soblewski, Jane Dr – are copies of current violations available?

Art Eisensmith – opposed to road and any further development.

Holly Ahl, E. Laray – moved to Alden to avoid over-development. There are so many issues, why even entertain phases 3 & 4?

Ray Lechowicz, E. Laray – what's being done about drainage? Moved to Alden to avoid over-development. No buffer. Drainage is an issue.

Ana Daniels, E. Laray – home is located directly across from right of way. If used as a roadway, headlights would shine right in windows on front of house.

Mike Johnson – Brush is being cleared in what appears would be phase 3 & 4. It appears the natural path of a creek in that area was changed with the use of heavy equipment. Is that wetlands? Can a natural path of a creek be changed for the purpose of development?

John Haefner, E. Laray – 34 year resident, now having drainage problems. No more development.

Correct drainage issues caused by the development.

Roger Winegar, E. Laray – where is leach field going?

Debra Rohauer, Jane Dr – resident of 58 years, lots of kids in the neighborhood

Jeannie Kulawski, E. Laray – against road and development. Demands Board holds developer accountable.

Jen S, Jane Dr – How do residents stay updated?

Michelle Wallace, E. Laray – Is the road not going to happen? Traffic drives too fast as it is through all the curves. Is there that much interest in all these units?

Don Webster, E. Laray – drainage is a problem. Septic draining into water table will drain to E. Laray, creating more problems

Linda Webster, E. Laray – neighborhood has a 3 way stop

COMMUNICATIONS

Brett Sitzman, Supervisor

1. Letter of resignation from Sarah Miller, Deputy Town Supervisor
2. Letter from Village CEO Czechowski regarding time off
3. Letter from Village CEO regarding time covering for Town CEO

Gina Waiss, Councilwoman

1. Mike DeWitt requesting to attend conference at Town's expense

NEW BUSINESS

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

WHEREAS, the Alden Town Board on November 16th, 2021 adopted it's 2022 budget.

WHEREAS, the Town of Alden needs to transfer money to allow for payment of item as outlined below;
and;

WHEREAS, these budget transfers will not render the Town of Alden insolvent;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS THAT:

The Alden Town Board hereby authorizes the following transfers:

From: (budget code)	Amount	To: (budget code)	General explanation
A.1620.0103	\$10,692.50	A.1620.0407	Building-lights
A.1620.0105	\$2,249.46	A.1620.0407	Building-lights
A.1930.0400	\$3,899.79	A.1620.0444	General Building Maint.
A.5132.0438	\$1,055.82	A.5132.0407	Highway Garage-lights
A.6772.0440	\$2,042.14	A.6772.0411	Programs for the aging-bus rental
A.6772.0105	\$1,355.77	A.6772.0444	Programs for the aging-repairs to senior van
A.1220.0104	\$8,587.45	A.8389.0401	Cayuga Creek Water District

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on February 6, 2023, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 2 Sitzman & Waiss

Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN WAISS, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SITZMAN, TO WIT;

Motion to appoint Nancy Jones, effective February 7, 2023 as the Supervisor’s bookkeeper/secretary at an annual salary of \$35,000, pro-rated for the remainder of 2023 year and as Budget Officer for the Town of Alden for the remainder of 2023, at salary of \$5,000 pro-rated. All pre-employment checks have been completed.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on February 6, 2023, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 2 Sitzman & Waiss

Nays 0

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

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has advised the Town Board that the Highway Department needs to purchase a new 6 foot impact “V” plow and a variable speed spreader; which will be purchased pursuant to State Bid through Sourcewell Bid # 110684;

WHEREAS, the Town of Alden’s Procurement Policy & Procedure Guidelines and the General Municipal Law have been followed through purchase from the State Bid Contract;

WHEREAS, The Town Board after full and careful review and consideration of the request finds the request to purchase the plow and spreader as being consistent with its policies and in the interest of the residents of the Town of Alden.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS, THAT:

1. The Town Board approves the purchase of plow and spreader from the Sourcewell State Bid Piggyback described on the attached Pricing Summary for a total of \$8,150.50 from Casullos Auto Accessories;
2. The Town Supervisor is authorized to sign any and all necessary documents to effectuate this purchase; and
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing motion was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on February 6, 2023, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 2 Sitzman & Waiss

Nays 0

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, OFFICIALS AND PERSONNEL

Alecia Barrett, Town Clerk – working on getting taxes out. Seems that our phones at Town Hall have been repaired.

Jennifer Strong, Town Attorney – working with Assessor on new property tax exemptions. Training letters have been sent out; follow up at WS. Working with Mike on Senior Center Roof.

Gina Waiss, Councilwoman – lengthy meeting with Scott Dreyer; add updates to Town Park to WS

Mike Metzger, Town Engineer – HVAC at Senior Center; add to WS. Erie County Water Authority and Health Dept. comments on Cayuga Creek Water District have been addressed. Received soil bores, nothing scary found. Working on annual flow report for SD2. Conference call with NYS Dept. of Labor regarding prevailing wage rates on public projects.

Chris Snyder, CEO – received updated site plan for Crystal Clear Pools; add to WS

Karen from Senator Gallivan’s Office – Senator will be reaching out with an in person invite for meetings with Supervisor & Highway Superintendent

Brett Sitzman, Town Supervisor – Bill Sivecz has been appointed Deputy Town Supervisor

Councilwoman Waiss moved to enter Executive Session for potential litigation, seconded by Supervisor Sitzman. All in favor.

Supervisor Sitzman moved to exit Executive Session, seconded by Councilwoman Waiss, with no action taken. All in favor.

UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

WORK SESSION:

January 23, 2023

@7:00 PM

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

February 6, 2023

@7:00 PM

MEMORIAL REMEMBRANCE -

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:07 P.M. Supervisor Sitzman adjourned the Meeting.

Alecia Barrett
Town Clerk