

The Regular Meeting of the Alden Town Board was held at 3311 Wende Road, Alden, NY on Monday, March 4, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. Town Supervisor Pautler called the Meeting to Order and Councilmember Crist led in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Roll Call was taken by the Town Clerk.

PRESENT: Colleen Pautler, Town Supervisor  
Gina Weiss, Councilmember  
Randy Crist, Councilmember  
Gwendolyn Bork, Councilmember  
John Cieszki, Councilmember

RECORDING SECRETARY: Alecia Barrett, Town Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Bill Rogers, Highway Superintendent  
Mike Metzger, Town Engineer  
Scott Pease, CEO  
Colleen Rogers, Budget Officer  
Residents

Councilmember Crist Moved and Councilmember Cieszki seconded the Motion to approve the Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of February 20, 2024.

**CARRIED**

Ayes 4 Pautler, Crist, Bork, Cieszki  
Abstain 1 Weiss  
Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMEMBER BORK, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER CRIST.

<b><u>ACCOUNT</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b>		
	<b>ABSTRACT #1</b>	<b>ABSTRACT #2</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND "A"</b>	<b>\$21,905.85</b>	<b>\$44,593.16</b>	<b>\$66,499.01</b>
<b>HIGHWAY FUND "DA/DB"</b>	<b>\$41,766.80</b>	<b>\$2,894.85</b>	<b>\$44,661.65</b>
<b>PART-TOWN FUND "B"</b>	<b>\$21,270.44</b>	<b>\$1,901.51</b>	<b>\$23,171.95</b>
<b>SR CTR EXPANSION/4 SEASON "HS"</b>	<b>\$9,650.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$9,650.00</b>
<b>CONSOLIDATED WATER "WR"</b>	<b>\$63,685.00</b>	<b>\$40,096.88</b>	<b>\$103,781.88</b>
<b>SPECIAL FIRE PROTECTION "SF"</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

<b>SEWER DIST. #1 FUND "SI"</b>	<b>\$9,909.68</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$9,909.68</b>
<b>SEWER DIST. #2 FUND "SA"</b>	<b>\$89.50</b>	<b>\$166.45</b>	<b>\$255.95</b>
<b>TRUST &amp; AGENCY "T"</b>	<b>\$2,106.70</b>	<b>\$3,018.77</b>	<b>\$5,125.47</b>
<b>SPECIAL REFUSE FUND "SR"</b>	<b>\$39,992.66</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$39,992.66</b>
<b>STREET LIGHTING FUND "SL"</b>	<b>\$7,278.15</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$7,278.15</b>
<b>PERIWINKLE LTG. DIST."SL1"</b>	<b>\$170.53</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$170.53</b>
<b>ZOELLER RD. WATER DIST."WZ"</b>	<b>\$1,125.60</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,125.60</b>
<b>WATER DIST. NEWSTEAD "WO"</b>	<b>\$3,669.48</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$3,669.48</b>
<b>WATER DIST. EXCHANGE "WX"</b>	<b>\$1,929.60</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,929.60</b>
<b>WATER DIST. NO. 1 "WA"</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$224,549.99</b>	<b>\$92,671.62</b>	<b>\$317,221.61</b>

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS PUT TO A ROLL CALL VOTE ON MARCH 4, 2024 AND

**CARRIED**

Ayes 5 Pautler, Waiss, Crist, Bork, Cieszki

Nays 0

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Chris Knapp, AYB – Opening ceremony is May 4<sup>th</sup> at 10am

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**Colleen Pautler, Town Supervisor**

1. Add to WS; request for car cruise

**Jennifer Strong, Town Attorney**

1. Add to WS; Farmer’s Market request



THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMEMBER CIESZKI, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BORK, TO WIT;

Motion to approve:

the Alden Community Scholarship Foundation's use of the Town Park, on Thursday, June 6, 2024 for the 5K Race for scholarships. Foundation to provide a certificate of liability insurance with the Town of Alden named as an additional insured in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate, to sign an indemnification agreement; and to provide EMT services.

the Alden Chamber of Commerce's use of the Town Park, Kiwanis Shelter, and bandshell from Monday June 3, 2024 through June 10, 2024 for a Taste of Alden Event with Beer Tent on June 6, 2024 from 4 pm until 11 pm. The Beer Tent will be provided by the Alden Hook & Ladder Fire Company. The Chamber must provide a certificate of liability insurance with the Town of Alden named as an additional insured in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate, and sign an indemnification agreement with the Town. The Alden Hook & Ladder Fire Company must provide proof of liability insurance and liquor liability insurance naming the Town of Alden as an additional insured and sign an Indemnification Agreement with the Town. The Chamber is responsible for making sure that all food vendors and the Chamber obtain Erie County Health Department permits.

The Foundation and the Chamber are responsible for cleaning up the Town Park after the events.

The Alden Town Clerk is directed to send notice of this approval to the Foundation and to the Chamber.

The foregoing Motion was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on March 4, 2024, as follows:

**CARRIED.**

Ayes 5 Paulter, Waiss, Crist, Bork, Cieszki

Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMEMBER BORK, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR PAUTLER, TO WIT;

Motion to approve the request of Alden Chamber of Commerce to use the Community Center on March 25, 2024 from 6.00 pm until 9.00 pm for a Farmer's Market Vendor Meeting.

The Town Clerk is directed to send a copy of this approval to the Alden Chamber of Commerce.

The foregoing Motion was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on March 4, 2024, as follows:

**CARRIED.**

Ayes 5 Paulter, Waiss, Crist, Bork, Cieszki

Nays 0

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

Motion to approve the request of Alden Youth Baseball and Softball to use the Town Hall Gym for baseball and softball practice from March 5, 2024 through May 3, 2024 on Mondays through Fridays from 6 pm until 9 pm (excluding Monday March 11, 2024)

The Alden Youth Baseball and Softball must submit proof of insurance to the Town Clerk, naming the Town of Alden as an additional insured before using the Town Hall Gym.

Alden Youth Baseball and Softball must remove all of its equipment and clean out the Town Hall Gym promptly after May 3, 2024.

Alden Youth Baseball and Softball is responsible for repairing any damage to the Town Gym caused by its activities.

Alden Youth Baseball and Softball will ensure that no persons are running or playing in the Town Hall hallways.

All participants (players, and coaches) must sign Waivers, to be filed with the Town Clerk, prior to participating in any practices.

The Town Clerk is hereby directed to promptly send notice of this approval to Alden Youth Baseball and Softball.

The foregoing Motion was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on March 4, 2024, as follows:

**CARRIED.**

Ayes 5 Paulter, Waiss,Crist, Bork, Cieszki

Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMEMBER WAISS, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CRIST, TO WIT;

Motion to approve the request of Alden's Meals On Wheels to use a 5 feet by 54 foot section of the lawn on the side of the building to establish and maintain a garden to grow vegetables and herbs for their use in meal preparation. Meals on Wheels is responsible for all costs and for all maintenance of this garden. Meals on Wheels may use the water spigot on the outside of the Building to water the garden.

The Town Clerk is hereby directed to send notice of this approval to Alden Meals on Wheels.

The foregoing Motion was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on March 4, 2024, as follows:

**CARRIED.**

Ayes 5 Paulter, Waiss,Crist, Bork, Cieszki

Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMEMBER CRIST, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CIESZKI, TO WIT;

Motion to approve the Alden Kiwanis Club use of the Town Park and Shelter on March 30, 2024 for their Annual Easter Egg Hunt from 9.30 am until 2 pm.

The Town Clerk is directed to send notice of this approval to the Alden Kiwanis Club.

The foregoing Motion was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on March 4, 2024, as follows:

**CARRIED.**

Ayes 5 Paulter, Waiss,Crist, Bork, Cieszki

Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMEMBER CIESZKI, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BORK, TO WIT;

Motion to approve the request of Crittenden VFD and Millgrove VFD to use the Town Hall Gym on March 11, 2024 from 6.30 pm until 9.00 pm for training.

The Town Clerk is directed to send notice of this approval to the Crittenden VFD.

The foregoing Motion was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on March 4, 2024, as follows:

**CARRIED.**

Ayes 5 Paulter, Waiss,Crist, Bork, Cieszki

Nays 0

**POLLED AND ADDED WITH NO OBJECTION**

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMEMBER BORK, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR PAUTLER, TO WIT;

Motion to hire Keith Borden as sewer plant operator for the Alaura Sewer Plat at a rate of \$30.60 per day (three to four days per week) for the remainder of the 2024 calendar year; contingent upon successful completion of all pre-employment checks.

The foregoing Motion was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on March 4, 2024, as follows:

**CARRIED.**

Ayes 5 Paulter, Waiss,Crist, Bork, Cieszki

Nays 0

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, OFFICIALS AND PERSONNEL**

Colleen Pautler, Supervisor – will be on vacation Friday through 3/23.

Councilmember Bork moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations, second by Councilmember Crist. All in favor.

Supervisor Pautler moved to exit the Executive Session with no action taken, second by Councilmember Crist. All in Favor.

**UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS**

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

<b>WORK SESSION:</b>	<b>March 11, 2024</b>	<b>@ 7:00 PM</b>
<b>REGULAR BOARD MEETING</b>	<b>March 18, 2024</b>	<b>@7:00 PM</b>

**MEMORIAL REMEMBRANCE** - James Sievenpiper

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:55 P.M. Supervisor Pautler adjourned the Meeting.

Alecia Barrett  
Town Clerk