

**Approved BOARD MINUTES May 15, 2019**

**MOTION** by Trustee Daluisio, seconded by Trustee Casell, to enter into an Executive Session at 6:55 pm to discuss negotiations. Carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Daluisio, seconded by Trustee Casell, to exit the Executive Session at 7:28 pm. Carried.

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Mayor Manicki, who led the pledge to the flag and welcomed those in attendance to the meeting.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Manicki, Trustees: Daluisio, Overhoff, Trustee Casell, Attorney Trapp, Clerk Galbraith, Eugene Nuwer, Shawn Eastland and Andrea Lingerselter

**Absent:** CEO Czechowski, Trustee Warmus, Superintendent Sitzman

**MOTION** by Trustee Daluisio, seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2019 meeting. Carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Overhoff, seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to approve for payment bills on abstract dated May 15, 2019. Carried.

Payroll	\$42704.44
Abstract	\$89047.65

**MOTION** by Trustee Overhoff, seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to approve the following monthly reports for April: E.C. Sheriff, CEO, Fire, Fire fuel, DPW, Justice. Carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Grant Action news, requests from Alden Lancaster Art Club and Alden Substance Abuse Coalition, Tax Warrant, RBC Wealth Management Portfolio, thank you letter in Alden Advertiser praising DPW employees. From Erie County: invitation to join E.C. Water Quality Committee, annual report of E.C. Clerk's Office, Elder Law Day 6/6, minutes from Assoc. of E.C. Governments, congratulations to Mayor on 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President position in Village Officials, Assoc. From NYS; Electronic drop off event May 18, Gov. Cuomo updates, SEQR E.C. Masterplan update and NYCOM Advocacy Updates.

**MOTION** by Trustee Casell seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to file as received all correspondence. Carried

**Resolutions/Appointments/Requests/Motions for May 15, 2019**

**MOTION** by Trustee Daluisio and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to allow a parishioner for St. Aidan's to stay overnight May 17 in Firemen's Memorial Bandstand Park to alleviate having to dismantle and reassemble everything for the plant sale. Carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to authorize Mayor Manicki to sign the 2019-2020 tax warrant. Carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to accept the Fire/EMS calls for April 13 – May 10, 2019. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to allow the Alden Substance Abuse Coalition use of Firemen's Memorial Bandstand Park, Monday May 27 from 10:30-4 to sell hot dogs for the American Legion Capital Campaign. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Overhoff and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to approve the Alden Lancaster Art Club and Alden Fire Dept. requests to place two signs in Firemen's Memorial Bandstand Park from Aug. 31 - Sept.8 to advertise the annual art show and chicken BBQ . Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Overhoff and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to grant permission to the Alden Lancaster Art Club to use the Firemen's Memorial Bandstand Park, on Sunday, September 8 from 7:30 am – 4 pm for their 62nd annual Fall Art Show and to have the bandstand open at 7:30 am. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to accept the resignation Keith Borden, Working Crew Chief effective May 30, 2019 for the purpose of retirement. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Daluisio and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to allow Clerk Galbraith to make yearend budget transfers. (inter-fund/over). Carried.

*On the question* – Mayor Manicki explained they will confer with our accountants.

MOTION by Trustee Overhoff and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, approve Local Law #3-2019, changes to the Code of the Village of Alden, Chapter 105, Flood Damage Prevention. Carried.

*On the question* – Attorney Trapp will file with NYS.

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to approve the Firefighter's Record of Points for 2018 as submitted by Mark Pruitt, Chairman of LOSAP Program. Carried.

*On the question* - Mayor Manicki –points were reviewed, posted and will be submitted.

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to amend the 2019-2020 budget as follows: lower General Fund Tax rate from \$6.44 to \$6.39/1,000, lower water revenue to \$498561 and increase water appropriations to \$498561. Carried.

*On the question* – fixed formulas on spreadsheet & Assessor Sivecz prepared our rate.

MOTION by Trustee Overhoff and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to approve the following elected officers as voted on and approved by the Alden Hook & Ladder membership:

Chief; Rick Greis

1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief – Erik Maderer

2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief –

3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Chief – Frederick Mitchell Carried.

*On the question* – Chief Mitchell will be out temporarily for hip surgery

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to approve the following

**Proclamation**

WHEREAS, certain businesses can withstand the test of time by virtue of the people they employ, the functions they undertake, and the strength and character of those who own and manage the enterprise, and

WHEREAS, Foss Livestock, LLC has been known as one of the largest agricultural businesses in Alden and a major contributor to the community by their sponsorships of annual Christmas concerts benefitting Alden youth and baseball teams and through their donations to local food pantries, and

WHEREAS, for many teenagers in the area, working for Foss Livestock was their first job, while for others, the purchase of their 4H animals recognized their efforts in the area of raising livestock, and

WHEREAS, this three generation family business is exemplified by the loyalty of their employees including two who have been with Foss Livestock, LLC for forty or more years, and

WHEREAS, Foss Livestock, LLC treats both their employees and their customers like family, being always fair and friendly, and

WHEREAS, the Alden Chamber of Commerce has named Foss Livestock, LLC as the 2019 Business of the Year in Alden, New York

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Alden in honor and recognition of the accomplishments of Foss Livestock, LLC hereby proclaims, May 14, 2019 as Foss Livestock, LLC Day in the Village of Alden. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to approve the following

**Proclamation**

WHEREAS, the Alden Chamber of Commerce annually seeks nominations for the Distinguished Citizen Award for which few are recognized, and

WHEREAS, faith, family, and service form the bedrock upon which consideration for the award is made, and

WHEREAS, possession of the qualities of thoughtfulness, ambition without negatively affecting others, and hard work form the cornerstone upon which a full and honorable life can be measured, and

WHEREAS, these characteristics define the life of Earl F. Gillen who volunteers his time and talents for the Farmers Market, Taste of Alden, Christmas in the Park, and even as the one who helped repair the lion fountain in the park for generations of children to enjoy, and

WHEREAS, the customers of Gillen's Expert Auto come to his shop not only for his expertise, but also on the basis of trust, and

WHEREAS, his son has proclaimed his father as the Undisputed Hot Dog Grill Master of the Universe,

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Alden in honor and recognition of the accomplishments of Earl F. Gillen hereby proclaims, May 14, 2019 as Earl F. Gillen Day in the Village of Alden. Carried.

**Public Hearing Local Law #3 – Chapter 105 Flood Damage Prevention**

Motion by Trustee Daluisio, seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to adjourn, from the regular meeting at 7:45 and enter into the Public Hearing. Carried.

Attorney Trapp presented the Public Hearing, explaining it was mostly modifications of definitions and numbering, nothing substantial. There was no Public comment.

Motion by Trustee Casell, seconded by Trustee Daluisio to adjourn, from the regular meeting at 7:48 and enter into the Public Hearing. Carried.

**BUSINESS FROM FLOOR-**

Andrea Lingerselter -13346 Baxter Ave., had several questions concerning water. Wondered why we continue to use village water if the survey leaned more toward ECWA? And why we cannot have the residents vote for their preference? Salt is expensive and cumbersome.

Attorney Trapp – the state regulates what voting can be held for and this does not qualify. The Mayor reminded her it was a survey and not a vote. It was not a large majority for the survey for ECWA, but we are connecting with a permanent connection on Exchange St. and will take a minimum amount. The connection will cost \$90,000. The village has applied for a grant the past two years but has been denied. To go to ECWA the rate would increase 40%.

Andrea Lingerselter – questioned the new car wash with the additional gas, oil & road salt going into the water system?

Trustee Casell explained the car wash will recycle 80% of their water used. Trustee Overhoff questioned the rate of \$6.50 above and beyond the existing \$6/1000 gallon rate. Mayor Manicki explained there is a 16% water loss we would have to pay for and debt service.

Trustee Overhoff – once again questioned the recent newsletter and the board did not vote on the content. Mayor Manicki – was discussed at Work Session. Trustee Overhoff did not feel the rate comparison was a fair comparison of different types of water and reminded the board they could've hooked into ECWA at no charge. Mayor Manicki reminded Trustee Overhoff that was 25 years ago.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENTS:**

**Clerk Galbraith** –village tax bills will be mailed out for June 1

**Attorney Trapp** – waiting for approval for Local Law #2

**Trustee Casell**–hazardous House hold Waste drop offs now require reservations.

**UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:**

Sesquicentennial is moving forward. Big carnival is in July

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Trustee Daluisio, seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to adjourn, the regular meeting at 8:18 pm. In memory of Harold Landhl and Suzanne Evick. Carried.

I respectfully submit

Sue Galbraith,  
Village Clerk