

Approved BOARD MINUTES September 27, 2018

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: Overhoff, Casell, Daluisio and Warmus, Superintendent Sitzman, Attorney Trapp, CEO Czechowski, Clerk Galbraith, Dan Czelusta, Eugene Nuwer, Mark Pruitt, Karen Howard – Senator Gallivan’s office, Dan Gniewecki – Legislator Brusco’s Office, several students and Sue DeWitt, Alden Advertiser.

MOTION by Trustee Casell, seconded by Trustee Daluisio to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2018 meeting with corrections. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Overhoff, seconded by Trustee Casell to approve for payment bills on abstract dated September 27, 2018. Carried.

Payroll	\$41,909.38
Abstract	\$106,457.60

MOTION by Trustee Casell seconded by Trustee Warmus, to approve the following monthly reports: for August: Fire Dept. and DPW addendum. Carried

COMMUNICATIONS:

Requests from: Joe Czechowski to use Community room, Alden Meals on Wheels solicitation, Chamber of Commerce. Correspondence from Attorney Trapp concerning property appraisal. NYS Senate – Farm to school grant program. Proof of claim Tops gift cards. From Erie County – minutes: Assoc. of E.C. Governments, E.C. Village Officials, Disaster Preparedness Board. Minutes from the Town of Alden. NYSLRS newsletter, and RBC Wealth Management notification.

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

Resolutions/Appointments/Requests/Motions for September 27, 2018,

MOTION by Trustee Warmus and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to approve the EMS/Fire calls for August 18-31, 2018. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Warmus, to approve the Alden Chamber of Commerce request as follows: use of Firemen’s Memorial bandstand Park Nov. 30 & Dec, 1, 2018, install 10 Christmas trees in the park before Dec. 1, electricity starting Dec. 1 at 5pm, removal of trees after Jan.1, 2019, close Church St. starting at noon on Dec. 1, installing snowflakes on light posts and on Bandstand and for the fire dept. to provide fire police for the event. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Warmus and seconded by Trustee Casell, to approve a request from the Alden High School Girls’ Varsity Swim Team/Parent Booster to use the community room on Thursday, October 4, 2018. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Casell seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to authorize the Mayor to execute the Letter of Engagement with Emminger, Newton, Pigeon & Magyar, Inc. relative to a property appraisal. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Daluisio and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to schedule a Public Hearing on October 11 at 7:45 to hear public comment on Proposed Local Law #15 – Tax Exemption. Carried.

On the question – draft to not exempt solar, energy systems from taxes.

MOTION by Trustee Daluisio and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to authorize Mayor Manicki to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with Erie County for the Stop DWI Program. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Warmus, to approve the following budget transfers from reserve funding: General Fund - \$147,500. Ambulance \$20,000. Sewer \$30,000, no transfers to water or refuse. Carried.

On the question – money is in the budget to transfer into reserves for equipment, etc.

BUSINESS FROM FLOOR-

Senator Gallivan’s office – things are going well, the village is being awarded a \$70,000 grant for sidewalks.

Legislator Bruso – Substance abuse and job fairs in September were well attended.

Ken Meyer 12961 Main St. questioned the DPW about mowing his lawn and charging him undenounced to him. Superintendent Sitzman explained we follow NYS Property maintenance codes and the grass has to be maintained 50 ft. from closest structure. He would’ve been mailed a letter 1 week prior to the work being done. Sitzman will make a copy of the letter.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENTS:

Superintendent Sitzman – WWTP Phase II out to bid Oct. 4.

Attorney Trapp – modifications to cable franchise

CEO Czechowski – Local Laws 1-14, being tweaked hoping to adopt Oct. 11

Trustee Overhoff – questioned why his crossing guard uniform policy was not used, after the board asked him to submit one. The DPW and village board has standards they have to follow. Does not feel part time employees should tell the board what they should do. The board explained they did incorporate some of his policy, but uniforms are optional. The board reiterated the fact that the guards have done a great job at keeping the kids safe. Trustee Overhoff will be contacting PERMA to relate the fact that the guards are not following their recommendations and are not in compliance.

Mayor Manicki – Winterfest Feb. 1&2, Freedmaxick presentation Oct. 11. We will be sending out a new survey concerning water preferences. Need suggestions for our Community Block Grant.

UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:

Sesquicentennial – next meeting October 3, 6 pm, village hall

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Overhoff, seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to adjourn, the regular meeting at 8:15 pm... Carried.

I respectfully submit

Sue Galbraith,
Village Clerk