

Approved BOARD MINUTES March 28, 2023

MOTION by Trustee Becker, and seconded by Trustee Pruitt, to enter into an Executive Session to discuss litigations, 7:08 pm. On the question –no comment, 4 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Becker, and seconded by Trustee Pruitt, to adjourn from the Executive Session at 7:15 p.m., On the question –no comment, 4 ayes, Carried.

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Mayor Prucnal, who led the pledge to the flag.

PRESENT: Mayor Prucnal, Trustees: Refermat, Pruitt and Becker, Attorney Trapp. Clerk Galbraith, CEO Czechowski Patrick Cavanaugh, Shawn Eastland, and Charlie Aldinger.

Absent: Trustee Casell

MOTION by Trustee Becker seconded by Trustee Refermat, to approve the minutes dated March 14, 2023. On the question, 4 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Pruitt seconded by Trustee Becker, to approve for payment bills on abstract dated March 28, 2023.

Payroll	\$ 44,276.53
Abstract	\$149,985.59

On the question –no comment, 4 ayes, Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Erie County – Association minutes. RBC Wealth portfolio. Agenda from Town of Alden, NYS: meeting concerning internet, Cornell roads program, LIHAP survey for low income water assistance, NY Class information, and information on improving plastic recycling and NYCOM webinar for new officials and funding stream support for water and sewer infrastructure. IRS received info from BOND. Village court budget information, information on former Trustee Ted Mezydlo memorial arrangements, Village DPW flushing schedule and updates on two impending litigation cases. Town is still looking at possibly installing splash pad.

MOTION by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Pruitt, to file as received all. correspondence. On the question –no comment, 4 ayes, Carried.

Resolutions/Appointments/Requests/Motions for March 28, 2023

MOTION by Trustee Refermat and seconded by Trustee Becker, to modify the prior motion with respect to the resignation of Provisional Superintendent of Public Works, Mark Pruitt, for the purpose of retirement, by changing the effective date to April 28, 2023. Mark has been employed with the village for 34.5 years. On the question, this motion was passed at the last meeting, but was revised with the correct date. On the question –no comment, 3 ayes, 1 abstain – Pruitt. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Pruitt and seconded by Trustee Becker, to accept the Fire/ems, from February 25- March 10, 2023. On the question –no comment, 4 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Refermat, to approve the Firefighter’s Record of Points for 2022 as submitted by Mark Pruitt, Chairman of LOSAP Program. On the question –no comment, 4 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Pruitt to approve a sign permit for Satellite BBQ, 13268 Broadway, as per submitted application. On the question –no comment, 4 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Refermat, to accept the request of Mark Pruitt, Provisional Superintendent of Public Works, to allot sick time into a bank for the purchase of health insurance after April 28. Also, requesting a one-time payment for unused annual leave at the Time of his retirement.

On the question –Trustee Refermat – how much is it? \$4,568.22,

Roll call vote – Trustee Becker - aye

Trustee Pruitt – abstain
Trustee Refermat – aye
Trustee Casell -absent
Mayor Prucnal – aye 3 ayes, 1 abstain – Pruitt. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Refermat and seconded by Trustee Becker, to authorize the Alden Hook and Ladder to serve alcohol at the following events.

Alden Fire Company- “Dollars for Scholars 5-K Run - Post Race Party & Taste of Alden” in the Alden Town Park, Thursday, June 22, 2023 (3:00pm-12:00am).

“Beer Tent, concert in the Town Park, Friday, June 23, 2023 (3:00-pm – 1:00 am)

Alden Car Show, in the Town Park & Alden Village Park (2- Stages / Bars), Sunday, July 30, 2023 (12:00pm-6:00pm).

Summer Steak-Outing, at Alden Station #2, August 17, 2023 (5:00pm-12:00am).

Chicken BBQ, in Village Park, September 10, 2023, no alcohol will be served at this event. On the question –no comment, 4 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Pruitt and seconded by Trustee Becker, to declare the attached list of equipment surplus so it can be put on the auction site to sell. On the question –no comment, 4 ayes, Carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Charlie Aldinger – Mercer Ave. – questioned the junk yard on Railroad, citing it as ridiculous, more than three years of operation. Attorney Trapp – in court for violations, warrant out.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENT

CEO Czechowski – on vacation 4/1-4/6 town to cover, local laws have been filed with NYS, working on Personnel Policy.

Superintendent Pruitt – flushing schedule out, yard waste starting in April, Junk Day April 24 and no on street parking lifted April 1.

Clerk Galbraith – working on budget, Public Hearing April 11. Banners going very well.

Trustee Refermat- Employee evaluations should be done by April 27th. Complaints of cars running signal at Broadway and Crittenden and crosswalks, reach out to local law enforcement. Still looking for the Alternate crossing Guard.

Trustee Pruitt – questioned when the two new time clocks would be activated in the Village Hall? Mayor Prucnal – one for hall one for STP. Superintendent – when there is a storm they would punch in at STP?

Mayor Prucnal – we are revamping things; we’ve been discussing options. Trustee Pruitt – we, who? Will things change with Mark’s retirement, that I will be included. Mayor Prucnal – yes.

UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Pruitt, seconded by Trustee Refermat, to adjourn at 7:54 p.m., with a moment of silence for Carl Patterson, who ran Patterson’s Grocery in the village for many years. On the question –no comment, 4 ayes, Carried.

I respectfully submit.

Sue Galbraith,
Village Clerk