

APPROVED BOARD MINUTES JULY 12, 2012

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

PRESENT: Mayor Manicki, Trustees Ted Mezydlo, Bruce Sitzman, Dan Warmus, Attorney Trapp, Deputy Clerk Sue Galbraith, Supt. Keith Sitzman, CEO Czechowski, Pat Cavanaugh, Sue DeWitt, and Andy Janiszski.

ABSENT: Trustee Smith, Village Clerk/Treasurer Wachowiak.

MOTION by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to approve the regular board minutes of June 28, 2012. Carried

MOTION by Trustee Sitzman, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to approve for payment bills on abstract dated July 12, 2012. Carried

General Abstract	\$141,953.00
Payroll	\$46,561.24

MOTION by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Warmus, to approve the following monthly reports for June 2012 as follows: Building Department, Public Works, Justice Court, Planning Board and Fire Company. Carried

COMMUNICATIONS:

Card from former Village Clerk Betty Kegler, thanking the board for her farewell gift, letter from Susan Greenberg, New York City Law Dept. concerning Uniform Notice of Claim Act, correspondence from Chris Trapp concerning non payment of PILOT from CBO Glass, sample of spending policy from Nicole Ryan of Free Maxick, Accountants, correspondence from Greco Trapp, Attorneys stating Chris Trapp will not be available for the August 9 board meeting, memorandum from Erie County Dept. of Environment and Planning concerning the Final 2011 CAPER, payment received from county on village portion of sales tax in the amount of \$83,297.33, Alden Chamber of Commerce and Town Board minutes, letter from Robert Burey NYS Insurance Fund Consultant with overview of recent visit, information on filing class action settlement against Verizon, request from Alden Fire Dept. concerning provisions for upcoming convention in Mount Morris, June fuel report for Fire and Ambulance funds, upcoming seminar by NYCOM concerning rebuilding communities, RBC Wealth Management account statement and client portfolio report, Erie County Water Authority 2011 annual report, bills from NYS Insurance Fund and comparison from Perma, Rural Futures newsletter, NY Planning Federation Planning News, 2012 Annual Report of the Department of Real Property Tax Services,

MOTION by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Sitzman, to file as received all correspondence. Carried

RESOLUTIONS/APPOINTMENTS/REQUESTS/MOTIONS:

Motion by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Sitzman, to approve Timothy Farley as Active Firefighter/EMS and Adam Kremer as Jr. Firefighter as approved by membership. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Warmus, to authorize the request of the Fire Department, the use of the Fire Department trailer for the Western New York Firemen's Convention at Mount Morris on July 25-28, 2012. Carried.

*This motion is approved, as long as it will not effect emergency operations where the trailer may be needed.

Motion by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to authorize the request of the Fire Department, the use Alden #5 to take the trailer for the western New York Firemen's Convention at Mount Morris on July 25 and returning on July 28, 2012.

Motion by Trustee Sitzman, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to approve a sign request to erect two signs in Firemen's Bandstand Park from August 7 – August 16, 2012 to advertise the Alden Hook & Ladder Firemen's annual steak outing on Thursday August 16, 2012. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Sitzman, to approve the appointment of Terry Wachowiak as Village Clerk/Treasurer for a term to expire March 31, 2016. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Sitzman, seconded by Trustee Warmus, to approve the appointment of Sue Galbraith as Probationary Deputy Village Clerk/Treasurer for a term to expire October 23, 2012. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Warmus, to approve the appointment of Sue Galbraith, Clerk to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a one-year term. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Warmus, implementing GASB 54 retroactive to fiscal year which ended May 31, 2011. Carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Andrew Janiszski was present to receive his 25 years of service to the village certificate. He has actually worked for the village for 27 years.

Eddie Williams, from Troop 117, was present with his mother taking notes on the meeting, trying to earn his Communications Badge. Eddie was welcomed by all members present, and was given an official Village pin by Mayor Manicki.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENTS:

ATTORNEY TRAPP-recommended the village contact their representatives concerning their discontent with the recent Uniform Notice of Claim Act, which has recently passed in both houses. A fax will be sent to Governor Cuomo, Senator Gallivan and Assemblywoman Jane Corwin as follows:

WHEREAS, a procedure for the filing and service of a notice of claim against a municipality has long been established in the State of New York, and

WHEREAS, such procedure provides not only notice to the affected municipality but also the opportunity to investigate and equitably adjust potential claims, and

WHEREAS, a modification to the statutes governing the filing and service of a notice of claim has been passed in both houses of the Legislature, and

WHEREAS, such amendment will allow for service on the Secretary of State which will delay notice to the affected municipality and impair their ability to investigate and adjust any claim

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Alden urges the Governor to veto Uniform Notice of Claim Act. (SO7641-2011, A10657).

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Mezydlo Aye
Trustee Sitzman Aye
Trustee Warmus Aye
Mayor Manicki Aye Carried

Supt. Sitzman-waiting on contractor to start repaving of Meadow and Mercer Drives. Water projects are progressing well, hoping to have picture updates for the next meeting. The County has been notified concerning the branches on West Main St.

Deputy Clerk Galbraith-water bills will be sent out on August 1 with a due date of August 28. UNYTS will be holding a blood drive at the Village Hall on August 7, 2012.

Mayor Manicki-conferred with Judge Woods in regards to the Village Curfew and the need to inform parents of the fines they could incur if their children violate the Curfew Law. Letters have been sent to the Erie County Sheriff and NYS Troopers seeking their assistance on reinforcing the curfew. Compliments were paid to the DPW on the professionalism of their employees, from a resident who recently had a meter replaced. Dry conditions are causing careful watch on the Aquifer level, and residents are reminded of the Open Burning Law with the recent grass fire on Countyline Rd. Village

wide garage sale is August 4. No response on the action plan deadline of July 10 for Alden Landings, the Village will now proceed with court actions.

UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:

- Policy Manual-will establish a date to meet.
- Surplus equipment to auction-working on pictures

MOTION by Trustee Sitzman, seconded by Trustee Warmus, to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:10 PM. Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Susanne M. Galbraith
Deputy Village Clerk/Treasurer