

APPROVED BOARD MINUTES AUGUST 9, 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 Smith, Warmus, Mezydlo, Sitzman, Clerk/Treasurer Wachowiak, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Galbraith, CEO Czechowski, Supt. Keith Sitzman.

ABSCENT: Attorney Trapp

MOTION by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Smith, to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2012. Carried

MOTION by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Warmus to approve for payment bills on abstract dated August 9, 2012. Carried

Payroll \$33,960.17

General Fund \$19,294.78

MOTION by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Smith, to approve the following monthly reports for July: Building Department, Fuel report for fire and ambulance funds, Fire/EMS Dept. alarm report, Public Works Dept., and Justice Court reports. Carried

COMMUNICATIONS:

Approved minutes of the Town Board meeting on 8/6/2012, July Alden Chamber of Commerce Newsletter, Associations of Erie County Governments meeting notice for August 23 meeting, Village Officials Association meeting notice for August 16, 2012, Information on the upcoming NYCOM fall training school in Lake Placid on Sept. 10 – 13, Homeserve USA notice to inform the village of a mailing solicitation on water service line coverage – this is a privately owned company and is not endorsed by the village, Memo from Erie County concerning 2012 CDBG for Elm street waterline replacement project, request from NYCOM concerning PILOT and franchise agreements, letter from Chris Trapp to NY Job Development Authority concerning pre-existing PILOT, NYS Dept. of Labor concerning notice of benefit reimbursement charges, correspondence from NYSIF concerning ROC Recommendation of Care Program, letter from Alden Hook and Ladder Fire Company requesting the use of Firemen's Park for their annual chicken BBQ on September 9, correspondence from CEO Czechowski concerning extending the deadline to Alden Village Estates grading requirements, and Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors minutes from the July 19 meeting.

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

RESOLUTIONS/APPOINTMENTS/REQUESTS/MOTIONS:
Motion August 9, 2012

Motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Warmus to appoint the following crossing guards for the 2012-2013 school year: Pam Comstock, Marg Szyjka, Linda Hey, alternates: Rita Hammond, Cindy Donovan, Davina Blakeslee, and Kay Guyette. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to approve Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Sue Galbraith's request to attend the NYCOM Fall Training School September 10 – 13, 2012 in Lake Placid NY, at reasonable expense. This is a budgeted item. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Smith, to approve Ethics Committee member Charles Airey's attendance at the NYCOM Ethics Training Workshop held in Williamsville on August 2, 2012.

Motion by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Smith, to approve CEO Joseph Czechowski to attend a NYCOM Seminar on abandoned properties on August 16, 2012. This is a budgeted item. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Sitzman, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to approve a temporary sign request (off-premises) by Henry's Candy & Gifts at 13237 Broadway for Bev Harris/Dance Studio. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Smith, to approve Alden Hook & Ladder Fire Companies request to hold their annual Chicken Barbecue in Firemen's Park Sunday, September 9, 2012, to place a sign in the park from August 31 – September 9, 2012, to close Church St. and to use the village's garbage truck, authorizing only village personnel to drive the truck. Carried

BUSINESS FROM FLOOR:

Paul Henry was present to inquire about the possibility of a community billboard type of sign to be erected in front of the Bandstand Park. The board will revisit this matter, but with the location to be located in front of the Village/Fire Hall.

Linda Okonzak manager of Alden Landings since January of this year was present to represent the mobile home park and address code violations. Several residents of the park were also present in support of the park manager. Okonzak reviewed updates and repairs made by the park to make it in compliance, but would like to work with the board on resolving all the issues. Okonzak, stated that "the lots are small in size and when two trailers are demolished, they will replace it with one larger trailer." New rules and regulations will be enforced, a copy of which will be sent to the board. The park still has

3 violations to remedy before the license can be renewed. Two are for carports constructed without permits, and drainage. The two permits are being obtained and Michael Metzger has been hired to work on the storm water drainage issues. Several options for drainage are being sought, some including: an easement on Railroad St., an easement from State on Broadway, and easements from residents on Westcott, however residents are unwilling to appease the park. The park was given a deadline of August 22 to obtain permits for carports, and submit drawings with options on drainage and easements. The board is willing to work with the park as long as progress is being made, however prior history makes them weary of renewing license with no reciprocation on updates being made.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENTS:

Trustee Smith- N/A

Trustee Warmus- N/A

Trustee Sitzman- reviewing Orchard Park's Policy and will confer with Mayor Manicki in a week or two to update the Policy Manual.

Trustee Mezydlo- questioned how the meter replacements were progressing. There are roughly 14 resident and 20 commercial meters that still need to be changed out. The DPW and Clerk's office will work together on updating meters in the next few months.

Superintendent Sitzman – sidewalk on Broadway is complete, resurfacing Meadow, Mercer, Baxter and Fire Hall underway, contracted Presbyterian Church concerning the possibility of parking the fire trucks in their lot during paving, and bids will be opened for the Elm Street project on August 23.

Clerk/Treasurer Wachowiak –finished out year end, waiting on Freed and Maxick report, August water bills were mailed, some with quite an increase due to residents watering and filling pools, apologized to residents on possible confusion of wording concerning rate increase effective on August 1, 2012 billing, residents can call the Clerk's office with any questions or concerns.

Mayor Manicki Viewed a webinar from the State Comptrollers office on the Tax Cap, and found it to be very informal, commended the Highway Dept. on a job well done on the side walks on Broadway, and with the board helped to establish the guidelines with water/sewer billing concerning O & M and Capital charges. The charges are to be incurred Aug. 1, Nov. 1, Feb 1. and May 1 of every year. These are viewed as advanced charges to guarantee service.

UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:

- Policy Manual Update-ongoing
- Surplus equipment to auction - ongoing

MOTION by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to adjourn from the board meeting at 8:03 AM. Carried

I respectfully submit,

Sue Galbraith
Deputy Village Clerk/Treasurer