



Village of Alden

Spring 2021 Newsletter

Welcome to our new Board of Trustees: Deputy Mayor/Trustee Loren Prucnal, Trustees Mary Reformat, Doug Becker and Jeannine Pruitt

Keep In Touch With Us: Please don't rely on rumors and second hand information. Use the resources below to stay current.

Website: www2.erie.gov/village_alden/

Facebook: Village of Alden, New York

Twitter: Village of Alden@VillageAlden

Instagram: @villageofalden

Eire County: www2.erie.gov/covid19

New York State DOH: www.coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home

Village Clerk: 937-9216 ex 110 or 111: smgalbraith@rochester.rr.com The clerk's office is staffed from 8:30 to 4:30 PM daily. You can leave payments in the drop box at the rear of the building or pay by credit card on the village website. Tax bills will be out June 1 and are due July 1. For those requiring direct contact, social distancing **must** be observed. **A Mask Is Required For Anyone Entering Village Hall.**

Village Court: 937-9216 ex 114: Please leave a message and your call will be returned in a timely manner. Due to Covid we are not open for in person court. The latest guidance from NYS is that court will reopen June 1. We are continuing with Mail-In Pleas for Vehicle and Traffic tickets. Watch your mail for the mail in plea option and return the waiver form. If you do not want to use this option watch your mail for a court appearance date. Court Clerk hours are Mon.-Tues. 9AM to 12 PM or by appointment.

Building Dept: 937-9216 ex 121: ceojoe@rochester.rr.com The department is open to the public. You may download forms from the village website and use the drop box to submit them for review. Permits are required for buildings, additions, alterations, roofs, fences, sheds, pools, decks,

generators as well as demolition. If you have questions, call **before** you start a project.

Dept. of Public Works: 937-7392 (after hours emergencies 949-0042). The office is open from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Masks are required.

Brush pickup is back to the normal first Monday of the month schedule. **Yard waste** is picked up weekly.

Garbage and Recycling: Pickup day is Wednesday. Please refrain from putting it out the night before if it is windy. We do not supply refuse containers. Weight is limited to 50 lbs. per container or bag. The limit is eight bags per week. Please note that importation of garbage/refuse into the village is illegal. We do supply a recycling bin for each residence. If you have just moved in and don't have a bin, please call the Clerk's office or DPW office. Please refer to the guide at www.moderncorporation.com to see what items are acceptable. Our next bulk pickup day will be Sept. 27.

Electronics: Village residents can drop electronics for recycling at the DPW on Railroad St. from 8:30 to 4:00. TV's and computer monitors require a \$5 fee payable at the clerk's office

Sewers: Please do not flush "flushable" wipes. We have had two sewer blockages recently caused by these wipes. They do not break down and can clog your sewer line and ours as well as our plant equipment. Please put them in the trash. Also, sump pump connections to the sanitary sewers are illegal. Both of these issues increase our cost of operations which is reflected in your sewer bill.

Water: Due to age, a number of our remote transmitters are failing. We are replacing them as we get supplies of new ones. In the interim, if the Clerks Office contacts you please cooperate and provide us with your meter reading to avoid estimated bills. Also, please make sure we have your phone or email contact information. Contact the Clerk's office for billing questions and the DPW for service issues.

Fire and EMS: Our fire chief would like to remind everyone to change smoke and CO detector batteries. To make it easier to find you, the fire dept. sells reflective address markers for \$15 which includes the post and installation. Order forms are available at the Clerk's Office. Both Fire and

EMS are in need of **new members**. We provide all training. If you are interested in serving call 937-9216 x116

Open Burning: Is permitted in fire pits for recreational purposes only.

2021 Capital Projects

Elm St. Drainage (CDBG grant)

Exchange St. and Broadway Water Connections to ECWA: (WIFA grant)

Baxter Ave. Stormwater Outfall Repair (Sen. Gallivan member grant)

DPW Building Repairs

Street paving (NYS CHIPS funds)

Sidewalk Repairs

American Rescue Plan: This is a federal program and we will be receiving funds from it. However, the final amount has not been released at this time.

Food: No one should go hungry in our community. Seniors can contact Alden Meals on Wheels at 937-7105. Families should contact the Alden Marilla Food Pantry at 710-9370.

Pedestrian Crossing Signal-Broadway/Emerson: The flashing signal is now operating. Please press the button before crossing. The other crossings at Westcott Ave. and Church St. are marked. While pedestrians in the crosswalk have the right of way and traffic must yield the right of way, please make sure it is safe to cross.

Crittenden Rd. Reconstruction: Scheduled to be done by Erie County this year with a completion date of November 1.

Dogs/Cats: Village law requires all dogs to be leashed when off the owner's property. In addition, you must pick up after your pet. Cats must be kept on the owner's property. Please be considerate of other residents.

As always, if you have any questions or issues, please call us.

Mayor Michael Manicki