

Approved BOARD MINUTES May 23, 2023

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: Casell, Refermat, Pruitt and Becker, Attorney Trapp, CEO Czechowski, Clerk Galbraith, Ralph Airey, Mark Pruitt, Dave Metz, Legislator Todaro and Shawn Eastland.

MOTION by Trustee Becker seconded by Trustee Casell, to approve the minutes dated May 9, 2023. On the question, 5 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Casell seconded by Trustee Becker, to approve for payment bills on abstract dated May 23, 2023.

Payroll \$ 37,445.50

Abstract \$107,360.58

On the question – Trustee Refermat – I do not believe we should be paying or reimbursing the Planning Board or Zoning Board of Appeals for training. Although we appreciate their dedication and time, it cost us over \$7,000 this year. Trustee Becker – we can change it moving forward. Trustee Pruitt – is it in the policy? CEO – no written policy on paying for training. Trustee Casell – too late to change now, can change in the future. Attorney Trapp – past practice. , 4 ayes, Pruitt, Prucnal, Becker, Casell, Nays – Refermat. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Refermat seconded by Trustee Pruitt, to approve the following monthly reports: ems/fire. . On the question –no comment, 5 ayes, Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Erie County – County Clerk’s Annual Report, county tax reimbursement down 22.92% from last year and Disaster Advisory Board agenda. NYS – Climate Smart information. Insurance renewal information. 5 Peddler Permit applications from Fox Pest Control. Letters from Mayor Prucnal to Carmina Wood design - Concerning Slade Dr. Development. Town of Alden agenda. Letter from Laborer Kremer, requesting to become a temporary MEO and requesting assistance on getting his CDL

MOTION by Trustee Pruitt and seconded by Trustee Refermat, to file as received all. correspondence. On the question –Trustee Becker- do we get reimbursed for background checks? sol, 5 ayes, Carried.

Resolutions/Appointments/Requests/Motions for May 23, 2023

MOTION by Trustee Pruitt and seconded by Trustee Casell, to approve the following Budget Transfer resolution:

WHEREAS the 2022-2023 budget for the Village of Alden omitted appropriations for the administrative expenses paid to the General fund from the Refuse Fund and the Water Fund and

WHEREAS, the Village Board wishes to correct these omission,

Now therefore be it resolved that the Village Clerk/Treasurer is hereby directed to amend the 2022-2023 Village Budget with the follow budget transfer:

\$7,000 transferred from CL8160.450 to CL9901.9 On the question –no comment, 5 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Casell, to add NY Class as an additional depository for the Village of Alden funds. ON the question – Trustee Casell – why NY Class? Better interest? Mayor Prucnal – yes, Casell – the bank is advertising 4%. 5 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Refermat, to allow Clerk Galbraith, to make yearend budget transfers. (inter-fund/over).
On the question –no comment, 5 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Refermat and seconded by Trustee Casell, to set a public hearing on Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 7:35PM for the purposes of hearing comments on the requests for renewal of Home Occupation Permits for the following:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>OWNER</u>
The Cutting Image	1730 Meadow Dr.	Renee Hoffman

On the question –no comment, 5 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Pruitt and seconded by Trustee Becker, to set a Public Hearing for Mobile Home Park License renewals on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 7:35PM. On the question –no comment, 5 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Refermat and seconded by Trustee Becker, to approve the request by Glenn Wetzl/Wetzl Development for a waiver of site plan fees for the portion of the undevelopable property as outlined in his request letter, as provided for in A220, Fees. On the question –no comment, 5 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Becker seconded by Trustee Casell, to authorize Mayor Prucnal to sign the agreement with Emerling Agency for the following insurances for the Village of Alden for the 2023-2024 fiscal year: Trident Insurance (property and Liability), Beazley Insurance (cyber liability) VFIS (Fire dept.) and Perma (Workers Comp.). ON the question – Trustee Casell – we should do a RFP (request for proposal) next year. 5 ayes, Carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENT

Clerk Galbraith – the newest banners (42 of them) thank you to the hard-working DPW Guys are up at this time. Taxes will be mailed out June 1st. They are printed by the county, but the county ran out of blue paper, so they are on white.

CEO Czechowski – Tops Markets will be selling fireworks for the Fourth of July; they are following NYS Fire Code.

General Crew Chief, Shawn Eastland – our surplus will be on International Auctions on 6/5, one new Laborer started on the 22nd and the other will start June 15. Some blacktop issues on Elm St., they will return to fix, they will also lower the manhole on the corner of Elm and Railroad. CEO – did they get the stamp for sidewalks? No.

Attorney Trapp – not many insurance companies do municipal insurance.

Trustee Refermat – was there an issue with water over the weekend? It smelled like bleach. Eastland – 2 alarms on Saturday. Please send a letter to the Erie County Sheriff's Office asking them to watch, as cars are running the light at Crittenden and Broadway.

UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:

Motion by Trustee Refermat, seconded by Trustee Becker to adjourn the regular meeting at with a moment of silence for Earl Aston 8:02 p.m., On the question – no comment 5 ayes, carried.

I respectfully submit.

Sue Galbraith,
Village Clerk