

**Approved BOARD MINUTES July 25, 2023**

**MOTION** by Trustee Becker seconded by Trustee Pruitt, to exit the Work Session and enter into an Executive Session 7:17 pm. On the question - no comment 4 ayes, carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Reformat seconded by Trustee Becker, to adjourn the Executive Session at 7:29 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: Pruitt, Reformat and Becker, Attorney Trapp, CEO Czechowski, Clerk Galbraith, Mike Keller, and Working Crew Chief Patrick Cavanaugh

**Absent:** Trustee Casell

**MOTION** by Trustee Becker seconded by Trustee Pruitt, to approve the minutes dated July 11, 2023. On the question - no comment 4 ayes, carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Reformat seconded by Trustee Becker, to approve payment bills on abstract dated June 25, 2023.

Payroll	\$4,1039.645
Abstract	\$622,448.26

On the question - no comment 4 ayes, carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

NYS – notification that the low-income household water assistance program will end as of August 31. RBC Wealth Portfolio Review. Copy of the Summer 2023 Newsletter and Town of Alden agendas

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

**Resolutions/Appointments/Requests/Motions for July 25, 2023**

**MOTION** by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Reformat, to increase Deputy Clerk Taylors pay from \$18.51 To \$20.56. As she takes on more of the former DPW Clerk’s responsibilities, until the position is filled. Trustee Reformat – will she be increasing her hours? Not for the most part. On the question – 4 ayes, carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Reformat and seconded by Trustee Becker, to appoint the following crossing guards for the 2023-2024 school year: Pam Comstock, Dave Kocher, and Terry Scutt. Alternates Paulette Hastie. On the question – 4 ayes, carried.

Resolution for Authorization to Apply for 2023-2024 JCAP Grant Whereas funding is available to eligible municipalities under the Justice Court Assistance Program, wherein eligible projects can receive up to \$30,000.00 in grant monies; and Whereas, the Village of Alden has determined that additional court supplies and equipment will provide enhanced services to the Village’s Justice Court and is a qualifying purpose and therefore an appropriate use of grant proceeds. Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Board of the Village of Alden does hereby authorize the Alden Village Court Clerk to apply for a JCAP grant in the 2023-24 grant cycle up to \$30,000.00.

A motion to adopt the resolution was offered by Trustee Becker seconded by Trustee Pruitt, and approved with the following vote:

Roll call vote: Trustee Becker – aye  
Trustee Casell– absent  
Trustee Pruitt – aye  
Trustee Refermat – aye  
Mayor Prucnal – aye On the question- Trustee Refermat – do we need a grant writer for this? No– 4 ayes, carried.

#### **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Mike Keller – Broadway.

What is going on with Gamma? Less employees and emptying inventory. CEO Czechowski –. It was owned by NYS, and they had a 25-year PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) agreement, which ended this May, so they are selling the property. 3-4 entities are interested, hoping to put it back on tax rolls.

Can you pay your water & sewer bills through the bank on-line? Yes, you can also pay with a credit card on the website for a small fee.

Keller expressed concern over the ditch that runs under Broadway, as it needs to be cleaned out.

#### **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENT**

**Attorney Trapp** -grant writing information in municipal report, check minutes.

**Trustee Refermat** - there is an Air B&B in Alden? CEO Czechowski – yes on Exchange St. There is also another one listed, but not legal – they are working through legal issues currently. Thanked the DPW and all the employees for all they do.

**Trustee Becker-** wanted to thank Shawn Eastland, great employee, for all his dedicated years of service.

**Mayor Prucnal** – have been working on FEMA reimbursement for December 2022 storm.

Thanked Joe, Sue & Patrick.

#### **UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:**

**MOTION** by Trustee Refermat seconded by Trustee Becker, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:45 p.m. On the question – no comment 4 ayes, carried.

I respectfully submit.

Sue Galbraith,  
Village Clerk