

Approved BOARD MINUTES April 23, 2024.

The regular meeting of the Village of Alden Board of Trustees was held in the Municipal Building, 13336 Broadway, Alden, NY 14004.

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Retzlaff, who led the pledge to the flag.

PRESENT: Mayor Retzlaff, Trustees: Cieszki, Becker, Casell, CEO Czechowski, Clerk Galbraith, Attorney Chris Trapp, Deputy Attorney Joseph Greco-Trapp, Superintendent Fleck and General Crew Chief, Patrick Cavanaugh.

Absent - Trustee Refermat

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Becker, to approve the minutes from the April 9, 2024, meeting. On the question – no comment. 4 ayes, Carried

MOTION by Trustee Cieszki seconded by Trustee Becker, to approve payment bills on abstract dated April 23, 2024.

Payroll \$52,920.75

Abstract \$27,843.36

On the question - no comment 4 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Casell, seconded by Trustee Becker, to approve the monthly reports as submitted and reviewed by the Board of Trustees.

Alden Village Historian

EMS/Fire calls

Ethics Committee

Alden Chamber of Commerce. On the question - no comment 4 ayes, carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Integrated cancelling our agreement.

3 bids to reseal municipal parking lot

ECWA quarterly report.

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Cieszki, to file as received all.

Correspondence brought before the board. On the question - no comment 4 ayes, carried.

Resolutions/Appointments/Requests/Motions for April 23, 2024

. **MOTION** by Trustee Cieszki, seconded by Trustee Casell, to authorize Mayor Retzlaff's signature on the 2024-2025 tax warrant.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Becker –aye

Trustee Cieszki – aye

Trustee Refermat – absent

Trustee Casell - aye

Mayor Retzlaff – aye On the question – no comment, 4 ayes, Carried

. MOTION by Trustee Becker seconded by Trustee Casell, to approve the following Fire/EMS calls for :1/27-2/23 & 3/24-4/5/24. On the question – no comment, 4 ayes, Carried

MOTION by Trustee Becker, seconded by Trustee Cieszki, to approve the proclamation for the Alden Hook & Lader Companies 125th Anniversary. On the question – no comment, 4 ayes, Carried

MOTION by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Casell, to accept the bid from Kelly Pavement Sealer Company to seal and stripe the municipal building parking lot for a cost of \$5,050. On the question – no comment, 4 ayes, Carried

MOTION by Trustee Casell, seconded by Trustee Becker, to approve the request from the Alden Chamber of Commerce to use snow fencing on June 3rd for the Taste of Alden on June 6th. The fence can be dropped off at the Kiwanis Shelter, and it will be returned June 14. On the question – no comment, 4 ayes, Carried

MOTION by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Casell, to approve the Rodeo and Sign Permit for the Alden Community Church (“Church”), 1400 Sullivan Road, for the purposes of conducting the Cross Over the Line Rodeo, as per submitted application, with the following conditions:

- 1) The events shall be held between the hours of 5:00-7:30PM DST, with an additional reasonable amount of time allotted before and after the actual event for set-up, clean-up, and take-down.
- 2) No parking shall be permitted on either side of Broadway along the Church property or within one thousand feet of the intersection with Sullivan Road.
- 3) No parking shall be permitted on either side of Sullivan Road along the Church property or within one thousand feet of the intersection with Broadway.
- 4) The Village of Alden shall be named as additional insured on all policies related to this event by both the Alden Community Church and Cross Over the Line Rodeo and must be received and approved prior to the first date of the event.
- 5) All lighting and sound amplifiers shall be directed away from residences on Sullivan Road.
- 6) All COVID-19 protocols as mandated by the CDC, State of New York, County of Erie, and Department of Health shall be maintained at all times.
- 7) All necessary approvals shall be obtained from any Federal, State, or County authority prior to the first date of the event, and a copy of said approvals shall be submitted to the Village of Alden.
- 8) No animals shall be kept on the Church property overnight.

- 9) All refuse must be securely maintained at all times and removed from the premises each day of the event.
- 10) The Church shall be responsible for all safety and security related to the event, including, but not limited to, parking, invitees, etc.
- 11) All fencing and seating may be stored on the premises after the last performance date, provided the event is planned to be held the following year. If the event is not planned to be held again or is not approved, all materials must be removed within seven (7) days after written notice by the Village of Alden. All materials must be kept in a neat and orderly fashion.
- 12) All sponsorship/banner advertising signage shall face inward towards the arena.
- 13) Sign permits shall be obtained for any event advertising as applicable.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Becker – aye

Trustee Cieszki – aye

Trustee Refermat – absent

Trustee Casell - aye

Mayor Retzlaff – aye on the question – no comment, 4 ayes, Carried

MOTION by Trustee Cieszki and seconded by Trustee Casell, to [rescind](#) the Inter-Municipal Agreement between the Village of Alden and the Village of Springville, with regards to providing a Grade-3, Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator one-day per week. On the question – no comment, 4 ayes, Carried

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Liam Ginter – a ninth grader, who is in track and bowling and also is a Life Scout, approached the board on his Eagle Scout Project. He would like to concentrate on the Firemen’s Memorial Bandstand Park – opening the gazebo, so it can be used, sand and paint benches and picnic tables. Needs to get project approved by Boy Scouts of America Organization. Since he is only 14, he cannot use power tools, according to Attorney Trapp. He was advised to schedule an appointment with the DPW. Weather permitting, they will sand the benches and picnic tables in anticipation of the project.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENT

Clerk Galbraith – water bills May 1. I will not be at the next meeting

Superintendent Fleck – working with new DPW Clerk to get reports completed. Doing regular spring routine.

CEO Czechowski- annual letter from Tops Markets, to say they will be selling fireworks

Attorney Trapp –Scheduling Sexual Harassment Training

Trustee Becker- I will not be at the next meeting. Any movement on going to NYClass? Mayor- we are moving forward.

Trustee Casell- the new owners of Henry's Candy has offered to fix the clock in front of their store. General Crew Chief Cavanaugh - The electrical box needs to be moved up on the pole by 2 feet, as it is underwater with rainstorms. Superintendent Fleck – will speak to them

Mayor Retzlaff – I will be heading up the Alden Economic Development Committee along with Deputy Village Attorney/Village Prosecutor Joseph Greco-Trapp, Esq. We are setting up interviews for the Clerk/Treasurer replacement position. I would like one Trustee in on the interviews.

UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:

Motion by: Trustee Casell, second by: Trustee Cieszki, to enter into Executive Session at 6:54 pm, for the purpose of personnel. On the question: 4 ayes, Carried.

Motion by: Trustee Cieszki , second by: Casell, to exit into Executive Session at 7:25 pm, On the question: 4 ayes, Carried.

Motion by Trustee Cieszki, seconded by Trustee Becker, to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. On the question: 4 ayes, Carried.

I respectfully submit,

Sue Galbraith,
Village Clerk