

Approved Minutes

May 12th, 2026

Regular Board Meeting, 13336 Broadway

6:30pm

The regularly scheduled Board Meeting was called to order by Mayor Retzlaff who led with pledge to the flag at 6:30pm.

Attendees: Mayor Retzlaff, Trustees: Prucnal, Cieszki, Casell, & Kibbe, Village Clerk Kaluzny, Village Treasurer Naumovski, Crew Chief Cavanaugh, Superintendent Czelusta, Deputy Village Attorney Trapp, CEO Czechowski, Village resident Richard Kegler, Akron residents Dani Johnson & Trudi Adamczak

MOTION by Trustee Cieszki and seconded by Trustee Prucnal to approve the minutes from the Board meeting dated 04/28/2026. On the question, Trustee Casell abstain, 4 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Kibbe and seconded by Trustee Prucnal to approve the bills on abstract # 23 dated 04/28/2026 totaling \$85,153.81. On the question, 5 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Cieszki to approve the monthly reports consisting of the Building permits for April 2026 & the March 2026 Court Justice report. On the question, 5 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Kibbe and seconded by Trustee Prucnal to approve the Payroll # 9 totaling \$48,971.94. On the question, 5 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Casell and seconded by Trustee Kibbe to authorize Mayor Retzlaff to sign the modified tax warrant due to addition of one garbage unit. New warrant total is \$1,538,868.21. On the question, 5 ayes, carried.

Note: Original and modified warrants are in the correspondence folder.

MOTION by Trustee Prucnal and seconded by Trustee Cieszki that the Village of Alden hereby opts out of any real property tax exemption under Real Property Tax Law section 487 and no exemption under that section shall be applicable within the jurisdictional limits of the Village with respect to any real property that includes a solar energy system, wind energy system, farm waste energy system, micro-hydroelectric energy system, fuel cell electric generating energy system, micro-combined heat and power generating equipment energy system, electric energy storage equipment energy system, and electric storage system energy system which began construction subsequent to the date of this resolution. On the question, 5 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Cieszki and seconded by Trustee Prucnal to authorize the 2026 CDBG Street Improvement Project bid opening to be June 16, 2026, at 10 am for the Milling & Paving Contract 2026-1. On the question, 5 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Kibbe and seconded by Trustee Casell to authorize the Village Clerk to attend the NYCOM Fall Training on September 14-18, 2026, in Saratoga Springs. On the question, 5 ayes, carried.

Note: This is a budgeted item.

MOTION by Trustee Prucnal and seconded by Trustee Cieszki to authorize the Village Treasurer to attend the GFOA Western Summer Seminar on July 16th in Batavia. On the question, 5 ayes, carried.

Note: This is a budgeted item.

MOTION by Trustee Cieszki and seconded by Trustee Prucnal to authorize the Village Clerk, Village Treasurer and Village Mayor to attend the Village Officials Association of Erie County Meeting on May 21st at Desiderio's in Hamburg. The cost is \$50 each. On the question, 5 ayes, carried.

Note: This is a budgeted item.

MOTION by Trustee Kibbe and seconded by Trustee Prucnal to approve the use of the Village Municipal Building, 13336 Broadway as a polling location on the following dates:

Early Voting- Primary Election: June 13, 2026-June 21, 2026

Early Voting-General Election: October 24, 2026-November 1, 2026

Note: The Erie County Board of Elections agrees to pay a fee of \$900.00 to the Village for the use of the facility.

MOTION by Trustee Cieszki and seconded by Trustee Prucnal to approve Mayor Retzlaff's recommendation to hire Cody Captain as a Summer Help Laborer at a rate of \$16.50/hr for the duration of May 26, 2026-September 4, 2026. On the question, 5 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Kibbe and seconded by Trustee Casell to set a Public Hearing for Mobile Home Park License renewals on Tuesday, June 9, 2026 at 6:35PM.

MOTION by Trustee Kibbe and seconded by Trustee Prucnal to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS Railroad Street is an important thoroughfare for commercial traffic in the Village of Alden;

WHEREAS Railroad Street was privately extended over a decade ago beyond East Drive and improved with a cul-de-sac dead-end to permit the commercial vehicles utilizing the street to safely turn around;

WHEREAS the Village of Alden assisted with the design of the Railroad Street extension, for example ensuring its superior load capacity as compared to other Village streets, so that the extension would function as a seamless continuation of the original portion of Railroad Street; and

WHEREAS the Railroad Street extension has been contentiously maintained by the Village since its construction over a decade ago as a part of and in the same fashion as the original portion of Railroad Street; now therefore

It is **RESOLVED** that, pursuant to Village Law § 6-626, the extended section of Railroad Street is recognized as a Public Street being and part of the larger Railroad Street whole.

Communications: NYMIR safety audit with some suggested updates/safety recommendations for Village buildings. The Erie county Board of Elections submitted their lease agreement for the 2026 election and use of the Village Municipal building as a polling place. CDBG information is out, we will be accepting bids due June 19th for milling and paving. The tax warrant was modified to add a garbage unit. The Village received a notice

Business from the floor:

Trustee Kibbe thanked the DPW for the use of their well site for the Duck Race this upcoming weekend.

Trustee Casell inquired about the Village's participation in a 250th celebration. Mayor Retzlaff indicated the Town will not grant the Village access to the park during the car show weekend. The Historical Society and Alden Drug Coalition are putting together an event in which they asked the Village for donations to. There was an inquiry about fireworks. The Village Clerk and Treasurer will need to look into for insurance reasons. Trustee Casell reminded that the "Big Boy" steam engine will be traveling through Alden on June 11th between 9:15-10:00 am and as a result, traffic in the area may be impacted.

MOTION by Trustee Prucnal and seconded by Trustee Casell to approve the Communications as presented. On the question, 5 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Prucnal and seconded by Trustee Cieszki to adjourn the meeting at 6:55pm.

I respectfully submit,

Ashley Kaluzny

Village Clerk

