

## Approved BOARD MINUTES November 12, 2015

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Mayor Manicki, who led the pledge to the flag.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Manicki, Trustees Daluisio, Warmus, and Mezydlo, Clerk/Treasurer Wachowiak, Deputy Clerk Galbraith, Attorney Trapp, CEO Czechowski Superintendent Sitzman, Eugene Nuwer, Albert Boucher, Josh Zelak and Sue DeWitt, Alden Advertiser.

Absent: Trustee Retzlaff

**MOTION** by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2015 meeting. Carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Daluisio, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to approve for payment bills on abstract dated November 12, 2015. Carried

Payroll	\$35,241.81
Abstract	\$237,437.92

**MOTION** by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Warmus, to approve the following reports for Sept: DPW Addendum, for Oct: Planning Board, CEO, E. C. Sheriff, Fire Dept., Court and Treasurer's report. Carried.

### COMMUNICATIONS

American City and County article concerning rising water cost, sample resolution concerning sales tax revenue distribution, requests from the following: Alden Chamber of Commerce concerning Christmas in the Park, Special Use Permit for Marcus Karlnoski for 13374 Broadway, out of district sewer customer request for 831 Exchange St. from CMK Builders and shovel bus stops by NFTA. RBC Wealth Management account statement, notification of clothing drive from Senator Gallivan, report from NYSOT, Snow and Ice Control 2015-2016, NEST & Assoc. of Erie County Governments agenda, memo from AMS concerning the Rural Metro merger, thank you from Julia and Dennis Schrader alerting them to water leaks and newsletters from Utility Service, NYSIF, NYSLRS and J.O'Connell.

**MOTION** by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to file as received all correspondence. Carried.

### **RESOLUTIONS/APPOINTMENTS/REQUESTS/MOTIONS:**

Resolutions/Appointments/Requests/Motions for November 12

**MOTION** by Trustee Warmus, and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to approve the floating holiday to be used for November 27, 2015 for all village offices, at the discretion of the department heads.

MOTION by Trustee Daluisio, and seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to re-levy to the County of Erie for collection, delinquent 2015-2016 village taxes in the amount of \$17,972.54.

MOTION by Trustee Warmus, and seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to reschedule the following meetings: Thursday, November 26 to Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Thursday December 24, 2015 to Tuesday, December 22, 2015 due to the Christmas holiday.

MOTION by Trustee Mezydlo, and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to authorize Mayor Manicki to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for Stop DWI.

MOTION by Trustee Warmus, and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to allow the Alden Chamber of Commerce to use Firemen's Memorial Bandstand Park on December 4&5 for their Annual Christmas in the Park. Request includes: DPW installing 10 organizational Christmas trees in the park before Dec. 4, assistance with furnishing power to the Christmas trees and control the lighting of the trees on Sat. at 5 pm, removal of the trees after January 2, 2016, closing of Church St., on Sat. Dec. 5 and installation of the snowflake decorations on the light poles prior to the event.

MOTION by Trustee Mezydlo, and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to award the contract for relining the Elm Street sewer lines, on the recommendation of GHD Consulting Services, to United Survey, Inc. for the sum of \$176,550.00, and to authorize Mayor Manicki to sign the Award letter and Contract.

MOTION by Trustee Daluisio, and seconded by Trustee Mezydlo to adopt the Village Social Media Policy.

MOTION by Trustee Warmus and seconded by Trustee Mezydlo to accept 831 Exchange St. as on out of district sewer customer.

### **BUSINESS FROM FLOOR-**

#### **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENTS:**

**Superintendent Sitzman** – winter parking ban is in effect from 2-6 am. Elm St. may not be started until next spring, depending on the weather, residents will be kept informed.

**Attorney Trapp** – reminder, Senator Gallivan is having an electronics drop off this weekend. The Mayor reminds the residents the village does recycle village resident's electronics.

**Mayor Manicki** – has been in constant contact with the county concerning Exchange St. Was told would try to patch before the snow. Senator Gallivan has responded to the inquiry about the unsafe conditions on Broadway under the viaduct, and this is the response from the regional design engineer: Darrell Kaminski asked me to respond to your inquiry regarding Route 20 in Alden. We understand your concerns about the current conditions, however these changes were implemented as a temporary solution. We are moving forward with a two stage approach to address the issues of vertical clearance and drainage problems on Rte. 20

at the Norfolk Southern Railroad Bridge in the Village of Alden. As an interim solution to the issue of water accumulating under the bridge, state forces will take necessary steps during the next week to improve water flow from the roadway to the existing drainage grates. For the long term solution we are proposing a project to reconstruct about 300 ft. of Route 20, in order to obtain the minimum vertical clearance under the bridge. Due to the limitations posed by the existing drainage pipes under the roadway, the reconstructed section will only be one lane in each direction. The centerline of the reconstructed section will be straight. We are also proposing to modify the drainage at this location to add capacity, and eliminate the issue of water collecting under the bridge. It is anticipated that the project will be let this spring with construction in summer of 2016. Erie County sales tax is up .64% ytd. Colleen Babcock, Horizons and Alden Substance Abuse Coalition held a Narcan training session in Village Hall. It was a great presentation and we would like to say thank you. If we find there is an interest, more training can be scheduled. The drug crisis is increased especially with heroin and fentanyl. With the attempted robbery at Rite Aid, you can see the problem is not going away, but is getting worse. To the persons responsible for the nails on Irving, Lindan and Meadow Dr., the Sheriff and Troopers are investigating and if caught, will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Article in American City and County – water rising, discusses fixing America’s broken water infrastructure system. It talks about being proactive and replacing pipes, but financially this is not an option. Water is one of the cheapest utilities compared to cell phones, cable and gas. Erie County has increased their water rates and infrastructure charges. We are still one of the lowest in the county. We had 10 water breaks last year, some of our pipes are 100 years old. This is an issue that will need to be addressed.

**UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Trustee Retzlaff, seconded by Trustee Daluisio to adjourn. 7:53 pm. Carried.

I respectfully submit,

Sue Galbraith,  
Deputy Village Clerk