

APPROVED BOARD MINUTES NOVEMBER 25, 2014

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, Mezydlo and Retzlaff, Clerk/Treasurer Wachowiak, Deputy Clerk Galbraith, Superintendent Sitzman, CEO Czechowski, Ryan Sheedy, several Alden High School students and Sue DeWitt, Alden Advertiser.
Absent: Trustee Warmus and Attorney Trapp

MOTION by Trustee Retzlaff, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2014 meeting. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to approve for payment bills on abstract dated November 25, 2014. Carried

Payroll	\$41,169.88
Abstract	\$36,045.72

COMMUNICATIONS

CEO Czechowski list of storm damage updates, notice of order from the NYSDOT concerning south side of Broadway after Slade Dr. going east, letter from Erie County Executive Mark Poloncarz concerning amendments to the Erie County Fire Mutual Aid Plan, Notice of Training Sessions for Planning and Zoning Boards from the Village Officials Association, minutes of the Town Board meeting from November 3, invitation from the Alden Chamber of Commerce and Senator Gallivan for a series of small business summits, mortgage tax check from Erie County, correspondence from Attorney Trapp concerning the Veteran's Cemetery, letter from NYS Office of the Attorney General concerning Puppy Mills and newsletters from Grants Action News and the Alden Chamber of Commerce.

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

RESOLUTIONS/APPOINTMENTS/REQUESTS/MOTIONS:

Motion November 25, 2014

MOTION by Trustee Daluisio, and seconded by Trustee Retzlaff, to extend the due date for November water bills from Nov. 26 to Dec. 1, received or postmark due to the weather. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Mezydlo, and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to authorize Mayor Manicki to sign the CRA proposed update of the master plan map at a cost of \$2,500, pending Attorney Trapp's approval. Carried.

BUSINESS FROM FLOOR-

Several student asked questions to the board.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENTS:

CEO Czechowski – in regards to the storm 29 properties were reviewed for damage, will keep the board updated on the situation.

Superintendent Sitzman –streets and sidewalk have been cleared, thank you to the residents for working together and helping out their neighbors.

Chief Sitzman – weathered the storm, thanked Akron, Lewiston and Fairmont Fire Dept. for their assistance, only one transport during the storm, but according to OEM Disaster Coordinator had over 150 calls for assistance.

Clerk Wachowiak – thanked everyone on a job well done, group effort by the DPW, FD, EMS and Village, Happy Thanksgiving.

Trustee Mezydlo – the village is in good shape, thanks to the residents, EMS, DPW, and Fire Dept. the community all came together.

Trustee Daluisio – The Village of Alden is a great place to live.

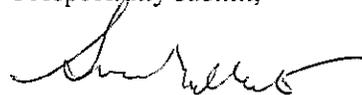
Mayor Manicki – with the Village receiving over 5 feet of snow over a 2 day period many thanks were expressed. “The Village is in a lot better shape than a lot of other communities. Thanks to the DPW, who worked around the clock and did a very good job. Fire Department consisting of volunteers walked in 4 ft. of snow to uncover furnace, feed stranded passengers and residents, did a great job with over 150 calls for help. Thank you to the OEM and Ryan Sheedy Disaster Coordinator for processing calls and fielding requests all while keeping everyone up to date. We had volunteers come off the street, and some who traveled to help, including the Amish & Mennonites from Medina and Pennsylvania. Relief Fire Dept. crews from as far as Syracuse come to offer assistance. Thank you to the resident, who were very patient, and who checked on the welfare of their neighbors. Thank you to Keith Sitzman, who wore two hats, as the Superintendent of Public Works and Fire Chief. Thank you to Joe Czechowski, CEO, the Village Clerk’s office and Trustee Retzlaff. Thank you to Tops, Alden Village Market, Clarence Fire Dept. and the Alden Presbyterian Church for their assistance and contributions. Disappointment was noted for the lack of support and assistance from the county and County Legislator Ted Morton. The state stepped up with support from the NYSDOT and two calls from Senator Gallivan. Thank you to the residents for their patience and understanding.”

Two articles were in the Buffalo New with contact information from the Attorney General concerning towing and price gouging. The contact information is available on the village’s website and facebook.

UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:

Motion by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to adjourn from the regular meeting at 7:47 p.m. Carried.

I respectfully submit,



Sue Galbraith,
Deputy Village Clerk