

The Regular Meeting of the Alden Town Board was held at 3311 Wende Road, Alden, NY on Monday, October 17, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. Supervisor Sitzman called the Meeting to Order and Councilwoman Pautler led in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Roll Call was taken by the Town Clerk.

PRESENT: Brett Sitzman, Town Supervisor
Gina Waiss, Councilwoman
Colleen Pautler, Councilwoman

RECORDING SECRETARY: Joanna Eisensmith, Deputy Town Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Sarah Miller, Deputy Town Supervisor
Jennifer Strong, Town Attorney
Mike Metzger, Town Engineer
Len Weglarski, DCO
Chris Snyder, CEO
Residents

Councilwoman Pautler Moved and Councilwoman Waiss seconded the Motion to approve the Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of October 3, 2022.

CARRIED

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler
Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER, SECOND BY COUNCILWOMAN WAISS, WHO MOVED THAT THE FOLLOWING VOUCHERS BE ALLOWED AND PAID TO WIT; VOUCHERS #841 - 878 **ALL BILLS REVIEWED BY THE TOWN BOARD.**

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>		
	ABSTRACT #1	ABSTRACT #2	TOTAL
GENERAL FUND "A"	\$13,617.04		\$13,617.04
HIGHWAY FUND "DA/DB"	\$4,685.24		\$4,685.24
PART-TOWN FUND "B"	\$3,125.54		\$3,125.54
CONSOLIDATED WATER "WR"			
SPECIAL FIRE PROTECTION "SF"			
SEWER DIST#1 FUND "SI"			
WATER DIST. EXCHANGE "WX"			
SEWER DIST. #2 FUND "SA"	\$194.40		\$194.40
TRUST & AGENCY "T"	\$26,904.03		\$26,904.03
SPECIAL REFUSE FUND "SR"	\$38,066.45		\$38,066.45
STREET LIGHTING FUND "SL"	\$5,505.68		\$5,505.68
PERIWINKLE LTG. DIST."SL1"	\$126.11		\$126.11
ZOELLER RD WATER DIST "WZ"			
TOTAL	\$92,224.49		\$92,224.49

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS PUT TO A ROLL CALL VOTE ON OCTOBER 17, 2022 AND

ADOPTED

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler
Nays 0

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

7:05 PUBLIC HEARING – CDBG Grant

Councilwoman Pautler moved to enter into Public Hearing, second by Councilwoman Waiss

Notice of Public Hearing was read by Deputy Town Clerk Eisensmith

Supervisor Sitzman opened the floor to public comment.

Unidentified resident questioned if this was a fresh grant? Supervisor Sitzman and Attorney Strong stated it was a CDBG Grant funneled through Erie County. It is \$150,000.00 max geared toward low to moderate income uses.

Councilwoman Pautler moved to exit Public hearing and enter into Regular Meeting.

All in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS

Brett Sitzman, Town Supervisor

1. Letter from Feed More WNY
2. Update on teleconference with HCR on CDBG grant
3. Update on CARES Act CDBG Grant & low bid for Senior Center project, potential for more funds, change of project scope

Gina Waiss, Councilwoman

1. Asked for an update on meals On Wheels

NEW BUSINESS

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN WAISS, TO WIT;

WHEREAS, the Budget Officer of the Town of Alden on September 29, 2022, duly filed the Tentative Budget of said Town (including special districts) for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023 with the Town Clerk of said Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk of the Town of Alden duly presented the Tentative Budget to the Town Board via email on September 29, 2022 and the hard copies at a meeting held on October 3, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS THAT:

1. That the Tentative Budget is hereby approved as and shall become the Preliminary Budget of the Town of Alden for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023;
2. That said Preliminary Budget shall be filed in the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Alden, 3311 Wende Road, Alden, New York 14004 and be made available by her to the public for inspection during

regular business hours;

3. That a Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget of the Town of Alden for the Year 2023, be held by the Alden Town Board at the Alden Town Hall, 3311 Wende Road, Alden, New York on November 7, 2022, at 7:05 P.M. Local Time;

4. That the necessary Notice of Public Hearing upon the Preliminary Budget, as required by Section 108 of the NYS Town Law be published in the Alden Advertiser, the official newspaper of the Town of Alden, and be posted on the Town Bulletin Board, which Notice shall be in the form attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

5. This Resolution shall take immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 17, 2022, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler

Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY SUPERVISOR SITZMAN, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER, TO WIT;

WHEREAS, the Erie County Water Authority has informed the Alden Town Board that five parcels of property located in the Town of Alden have failed to pay their water charges.

WHEREAS, pursuant to NYS Town Law section 198 and the Direct Service Agreement between the Town of Alden and the Erie County Water Authority; the Town must relevy the unpaid water charges onto the 2023 county/Town Tax Bills; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Water Authority has mailed notices to the delinquent property owners and said owners continue in default.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS, THAT:

1. The following sums for the following parcels be relevied onto the 2023 county/town tax for said parcels all for delinquent water charges:

\$62.69 for delinquent water charges for 2330 Wende Road (SBL # 107.00-4-23.23);

\$67.05 for delinquent water charges for 11515 Westwood Road (SBL # 107.00-6-11);

\$35.09 for delinquent water charges for 1313 Laray Drive (SBL # 117.08-4-2);

\$55.83 for delinquent water charges for 928 Three Rod Road (SBL # 118.12-1-12); and

\$37.96 for delinquent water charges for 2967 Townline Road (SBL # 95.02-1-27); and

2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 17, 2022, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler

Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOAMN WAISS, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SITZMAN, TO WIT;

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Alden is considering an application, by Crystal Clear Pools Inc. for site plan approval of a proposed new 2,650 square foot pole barn addition to its existing building located at 12433 Broadway, in the Town of Alden, further identified by SBL # 118.12-1-2 (The "Proposed Action");

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Alden has determined that the Proposed Action is an Unlisted Action under SEQRA but has determined that it is in the public interest to conduct a coordinated review;

WHEREAS, the Town of Board of the Town of Alden believes that the Town of Alden is: the agency primarily responsible for undertaking decisions as to site plan approval; is the agency with the broadest governmental powers for investigating the impact of the Proposed Action; and has the greatest capacity for providing the most thorough environmental assessment of the Proposed Action; and is the most local agent with permitting authority; and

WHEREAS, the Town Building Inspector has provided notice to the Erie County Division of Planning, for this proposed site plan approval, as required under Section 239-m of the General Municipal Law and is hereby directed to give notice of Lead Agency to the involved agencies (New York State Department of Transportation; Erie County Department of Planning and Erie County Department of Health.).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS THAT:

1. The Town Board has determined that the proposed site plan approval is an Unlisted Action under SEQRA;
2. The Town Board has determined that it should be the Lead Agency for all environmental review of the site plan approval; and
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 17, 2022, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler
Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN WAISS, TO WIT;

Motion to correct the hiring and wages of Lifeguards adopted on 10/3/2022. Motion to hire the following persons at the following rates as part time lifeguards from October 4, 2022 through December 20, 2022; not to exceed 19/5 hours per week. Employment is subject to completion of all new-hire paperwork and subject to completion of all re-employment checks:

Leo Wasch \$14
Mackenzie Fronczak - \$14

Jordan Strasser - \$14
Sara Hahn - \$15.30
Carolyn Freeman - \$15.30
Julia Salim - \$15.30
Riley Streit - \$14
Madeline Erhardt - \$14.28
James Fecio - \$14
Meghan Cole - \$14

The question of the adoption of the foregoing motion was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 17, 2022, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler
Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY SUPERVISOR SITZMAN, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER, TO WIT;

Motion to approve the request of the Alden Chamber of Commerce to use the Community Center on December 3, 2022 from 10.00 am until 3.00 PM for a craft shows as part of Christmas in the Park with set up to occur on December 2, 2022 and to use the Alden Town Park on December 4, 2022 for a Christmas Light event.

The Alden Chamber of Commerce is responsible for complying with all Local, County, State and Federal Rules and Regulations regarding the Covid-19 Pandemic.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing motion was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 17, 2022, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler
Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN WAISS, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SITZMAN, TO WIT;

Motion to set Trick or Treat Hours in the Town of Alden from 6.00 PM through 8.00 PM on Monday October 31, 2022.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing motion was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 17, 2022, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler
Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN WAISS WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER, TO WIT;

Motion to hire Debra Crist as a temporary clerk, for the Town Clerk's Office at the rate of \$17.50 per hour, subject to successful completion of all pre-employment checks.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing motion was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 17, 2022, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler
Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN WAISS, TO WIT;

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The question of the adoption of the foregoing motion was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 17, 2022, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler

Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY SUPERVISOR SITZMAN, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER, TO WIT;

Motion to approve the request of the Alden Central School to use the community center from 8:40 am until 9:20 am on October 17, 24 and 31, 2022; for occupational therapy for an ACS Student.

The School is responsible for complying all Local, County, State and Federal Rules and Regulations regarding the Covid-19 Pandemic.

The School has submitted proof of insurance.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing motion was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 17, 2022, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler

Nays 0

POLLED AND ADDED WITH NO OBJECTION

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY SUPERVISOR SITZMAN, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN WAISS, TO WIT;

WHEREAS, the Town of Alden and the Alden Substance Abuse Coalition, Inc., ("Coalition") a Not-For-Profit Corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, have negotiated an Agreement wherein Coalition will provide substance abuse information to parents who are residents of the Town of Alden;

WHEREAS, the Town Board is aware of the growing substance abuse dilemma in the Town of Alden and state wide, and is desirous of combating this issue;

WHEREAS, Coalition is the sole source provider of a substance abuse education and services in the Town of Alden and therefore the Town's Procurement Policy & Procedure Guidelines and General Municipal Law have been followed; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Alden and Alternative Care Services of WNY, Inc. have come to full agreement on the terms of such Agreement to run as of March 21, 2022, until December 31, 2022.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS THAT:

1. The Town Board approves the attached Agreement whereby the Town contracts with Coalition at a cost of \$1,000.00 for the provision of substance abuse educational material to Town of Alden parents residents as being consistent with its policies and in the best interests of the residents of the Town of Alden;

2. That the Town Supervisor is authorized to sign any and all necessary documents to effectuate the Agreement; and
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 17, 2022, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 2 Sitzman & Waiss
 Nays 0
 Abstain 1 Pautler

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILWOMAN WAISS, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SITZMAN, TO WIT;

Motion to hire Daniel McMahon as Part Time Administrative assistant in the Assessor’s Office, not to exceed 19.5 hours per week, at the rate of \$17.54 per hour, subject to successful completion of all pre-employment checks. Benefits per Employee Handbook.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing motion was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 17, 2022, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler
 Nays 0

THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS OFFERED BY SUPERVISOR SITZMAN, WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER, TO WIT;

Alden Central School District will be holding the Bulldog Stampede on Saturday, October 15, school busses will be coming from all over WNY and parking in the Town parking lot as well as November 4th for the XCountry ECIC.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing motion was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 17, 2022, which resulted as follows:

CARRIED.

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler
 Nays 0

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, OFFICIALS AND PERSONNEL

Bill Rogers, Highway Superintendent – Grant is first priority but would like AJF & Concession stand to next WS agenda

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM SUPERVISOR

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

SPECIAL WORK SESSION CONTRACT NEG:	October 19, 2022	@5:00 PM
SPECIAL WORK SESSION BUDGET:	October 24, 2022	@5:30PM
WORK SESSION	October 24, 2022	@7:00PM
REG. BOARD MEETING:	November 7, 2022	@5:00 PM

MEMORIAL REMEMBRANCE - William Lina and Floyd Carter and Paul Schmitt

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:41 P.M. Supervisor Sitzman adjourned the Meeting.

Alecia Barrett
Town Clerk