

The Regular Meeting of the Alden Town Board was held at 3311 Wende Road, Alden, NY on Monday, October 3, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. Supervisor Sitzman called the Meeting to Order and Councilwoman Waiss 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: Alecia Barrett, 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 September 19, 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 #800 - 840 **ALL BILLS REVIEWED BY THE TOWN BOARD.**

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>		
	ABSTRACT #1	ABSTRACT #2	TOTAL
GENERAL FUND "A"	\$27,766.25	\$24,000.10	\$51,766.35
HIGHWAY FUND "DA/DB"	\$4,565.64	\$89,655.63	\$94,221.27
PART-TOWN FUND "B"	\$2,734.22	\$6,708.95	\$9,443.17
CONSOLIDATED WATER "WR"			
SPECIAL FIRE PROTECTION "SF"			
SEWER DIST#1 FUND "SI"			
WATER DIST. EXCHANGE "WX"			
SEWER DIST. #2 FUND "SA"	\$15,907.92	\$430.22	\$16,338.14
TRUST & AGENCY "T"	\$19,220.87	\$3,126.07	\$22,346.94
SPECIAL REFUSE FUND "SR"	\$39,119.82		\$39,119.82
STREET LIGHTING FUND "SL"	\$5,219.39		\$5,219.39
PERIWINKLE LTG. DIST."SL1"	\$113.39		\$113.39
ZOELLER RD WATER DIST "WZ"			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$114,647.50</b>	<b>\$123,920.97</b>	<b>\$238,568.47</b>

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS PUT TO A ROLL CALL VOTE ON OCTOBER 3, 2022 AND

**ADOPTED**

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler

Nays 0

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Michelle Hoffman, Clearvue Dr. – Is the cost of furnishing the new Senior/Community Center accounted for in the bids?

Supervisor Sitzman – No, the bids are for construction.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**Brett Sitzman, Town Supervisor**

1. Monthly report from CEO Snyder
2. Communication from accountants on scheduling for 2023 budget public hearing

**Alecia Barrett, Town Clerk**

1. Town Board Members have all been presented with electronic copies as well as hard copies of the 2023 Tentative Budget

**NEW BUSINESS**

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

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 3, 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 introduce Proposed Local Law # 2 of 2022 Small Wireless Technology in the Public Right of Way and to refer the same to the Planning Board for review and recommendation.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing motion was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 3, 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS;

A hearing before the Town Board of the Town of Alden, in the County of Erie shall be held at the Town Hall, 3311 Wende Road, Alden, New York at 7:05 p.m. on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022, for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in the use of Federal Community Development Funds in the Town of Alden; and

ORDERED, that the Town Clerk's Office is directed to (a) publish a notice of public hearing in the Alden Advertiser, designated as the official newspaper for this publication, such publication to be not less than five (5) days before the date of the public hearing; (b) and post as required by law one (1) copy of the Notice of Public Hearing no later than the day such Notice is published; and

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 3, 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 hire: Leo Wasch; Mackenzie Fronczak; Jordan Strasser; Sara Hahn; Carolyn Freeman; Julia Salim; Riley Streit; Madeline Erhardt and Abby Blendowski as part time lifeguards from October 4, 2022 through December 20, 2022; not to exceed 19.5 hours per week at a rate of \$14 per hour. Employment is subject to completion of all new-hire paperwork and subject to successful completion of all pre-employment checks.

*On the question: Councilwoman Waiss – shouldn't it be 19.5 hours? Attorney Strong – yes.  
Councilwoman Waiss to Town Clerk Barrett – should Abby Blendowski be listed in this motion? Town Clerk Barrett: Abby is already a 19.5 hour a week lifeguard, I was confused as to why she was listed.  
Councilwoman Waiss: strike Abby Blendowski from Motion.*

The question of the adoption of the foregoing motion was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 3, 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 approve the request of the Alden Junior Football Cheerleading ("AJFC") to use Alden Town Park Shelter #1 on October 16, 2022 from 8:00 am until 3:00 pm to distribute the dinners for their annual Chicken BBQ Fundraiser.

AJFC is responsible for complying with all Town, County, State and Federal Rules and Regulations regarding the Covid-19 Pandemic.

AJFC has submitted proof of insurance naming the Town of Alden as an addition insured.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing motion was duly put to a vote on roll call, at a regular meeting on October 3, 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 Deputy Supervisor has found a less expensive electricity supplier, American Power & Gas who expects to lower the electricity costs to the Town of Alden at its various buildings and facilities from 0.14839 cents per kilowatt to 0.0889 cents per kilowatt; and

WHEREAS, New York State Electric and Gas will remain the Distributor of electric for the Town.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS THAT:

- 1 The Town Board hereby authorizes and directs the Town Supervisor to sign an Energy Supply Services Agreement with American Power & Gas to permit the Town to purchase electricity for Town buildings and facilities at a lower cost; 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 3, 2022, which resulted as follows:

**CARRIED.**

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler

Nays 0

COUNCILWOMAN WAISS MOVED TO TABLE THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN PAUTLER, 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 October 17, 2022, at 7:10 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 motion to table was duly put to a roll call vote at a regular meeting on October 3, 2022, the results of which were as follows:

**TABLED.**

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler  
Nays 0

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

WHEREAS, Supervisor Sitzman, as Trustee of the Length Of Service Award Program between the Town of Alden, Crittenden Volunteer Fire Department and Millgrove Volunteer Fire Department Inc, ("Program") has requested, on the advice of our Program Senior Account Executive that the Town Board approve the transfer of the annuity funds from Flushing Bank to First Security Bank for the purposes of obtaining a higher interest rate of 4%.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS THAT:

1. The Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to and directed to sign the necessary paperwork to transfer the annuity funds to First Security Bank; 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 3, 2022, which resulted as follows:

**CARRIED.**

Ayes 3 Sitzman, Waiss & Pautler  
Nays 0

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, OFFICIALS AND PERSONNEL**

Gina Waiss, Councilwoman – Recreation Dept. is getting a lot of interest in candy bar bingo. Michelle, Gina and Jennifer working on insurance requirements for men’s floor hockey.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM SUPERVISOR**

Talk further on bid packages? Same meeting as when accountants attend the meeting?

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

<b>WORK SESSION:</b>	<b>October 11, 2022</b>	<b>@7:00 PM</b>
<b>REGULAR BOARD MEETING</b>	<b>October 17, 2022</b>	<b>@7:00 PM</b>
<b>SPECIAL WORK SESSION</b>	<b>October 19, 2022</b>	<b>@5:00 PM</b>

**MEMORIAL REMEMBRANCE** - William Yeager and Gary Marx and James Frey

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:22 P.M. Supervisor Sitzman adjourned the Meeting.

Alecia Barrett  
Town Clerk