

**APPROVED BOARD MINUTES AUGUST 11, 2011**

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

**PRESENT:** Deputy Manicki, Trustees Warmus, Mezydlo, Sitzman, Clerk Kegler, Supt. Sitzman, CEO Czechowski, Eugene Nuwer, Rose Tonsolini, Rick & Brian Kohl, Sue DeWitt.

**ABSENT:** Mayor Kegler, Attorney Trapp, Administrator Wachowiak

**MOTION** by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2011 regular board meeting. Carried

**MOTION** by Trustee Sitzman, seconded by Trustee Warmus, to approve for payment bills on abstract dated August 11, 2011. Carried

General	\$133,407.37
Prepaid	415.78
Payroll 7/2-7/15/11	37,594.07
Payroll 7/16-7/29/11	31,774.19

**MOTION** by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Warmus, to approve the following monthly reports for July: Fire Department, Building Department, DPW, Justice Court, Treasurers, Planning Board minutes for June & July. Carried

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Erie County Governments regular meeting August 25, in Eden; request from Alden Hook & Ladder Fire Co. for approval of a Sportsman Raffle October 8, 2011; a letter to the liquor authority approving event and application for liquor license, request to hold their annual Chicken Barbecue September 11, 2011 in Firemen's Park, erect a sign, close Church St., and use the village garbage truck. Paperwork from Department of Emergency Services to participate or not participate in updating the County wide multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan. Letter from Drescher & Malecki regarding a "Roundtable" discussion September 8, with Peter A. Baynes, Executive Director of NYCOM to discuss the property tax cap legislation. Chamber of Commerce Directors Meeting minutes; NYCOM Fall Training School September 19-22, 2011; Village Officials meeting August 18, 2011; quarterly Mayors & Supervisors meeting with County Executive August 30, 2011 at 8:30 AM; letter from Chief Rimbeck that Rescue 5 will be out of service August 12; check from Town of Alden in the amount of \$12,320 for their portion of service award for 2011; letter from Mike Keller regarding sewer concerns; letter from County of Erie Accounting and Finance Division regarding the village receiving its own mortgage tax distribution check instead of it going directly to the Town

of Alden per Section 261 of New York State Tax Law. (I called the Town Clerk's office and the Supervisor will notify the County that it meets with their approval), Estimate for the upcoming NYS Retirement contribution for February 2012; request from Alden Community Scholarship Foundation to erect two signs in Firemen's Park September 13-23, for their annual chicken barbecue. Town of Alden board meeting for August 1, 2011; RBC Wealth Management Account Statement; copy of the deed for the American Legion. Attorney Trapp states that the Legion is responsible to fix the roof and to keep the premises in good repairs. He will do more research into the village's authority to pay for any repair.

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

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

**MOTION** by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to authorize Deputy Mayor Manicki to sign the Statement of Authority to Participate in the Erie County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update for 2011, and to appoint James Gerber as a representative and Ryan Sheedy as an alternate to represent the village on the Core Planning Group. Carried

**MOTION** by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to approve Alden Community Scholarship Foundations' request to erect two signs in Firemen's Park September 13-23, advertising their annual chicken barbecue. Carried

**MOTION** by Trustee Sitzman, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to approve Alden Hook & Ladder Fire Companies request to hold a Fall Sportsman Raffle in the municipal building, October 8, 2011 from 6PM-12 Midnight, and to apply for their annual Liquor Permit. Carried

**MOTION** by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to approve Alden Hook & Ladder Fire Companies request to hold their annual Chicken Barbecue in Firemen's Park September 11, to place a sign in the park from September 2-12, to close Church St., and to use the village's garbage truck, authorizing only village personnel to drive the truck. Carried

**MOTION** by Trustee Sitzman, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo to table the sign permit for CBO Glass, 13595 Broadway, as per submitted application. Carried

**MOTION** by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to approve the temporary off-premises advertising sign for Henrys Candy/Bev Harris at 13237 Broadway, as per submitted application with the condition that the sign is not to be illuminated, approval is for 30 days. Carried

**MOTION** by Trustee Mezydlo, seconded by Trustee Warmus, to approve Fire/EMS calls for payroll period July 16-July 29, 2011. Carried

**MOTION** by Trustee Sitzman, seconded by Trustee Mezydlo, to appoint CRA Engineers to review engineering reports for Tim Hortons, not to exceed \$600. Carried

**BUSINESS FROM FLOOR:**

Mrs. Rose Tonsolini was present with a complaint regarding her quarterly water bill for the former Missing Sock Laundromat which her son has recently purchased. Since they have no water in the building she was upset to receive a quarterly water bill. Supt. Sitzman stated that the building is equipped with an oversized service meter at the present time which is billed at a higher rate per our rate code. It was explained to her son that once a repair was made to a broken pipe the service meter size could then be reduced and the charges would then be reduced. She asked if the bill could be reduced now, but Deputy Mayor Manicki stated that until everything is changed the bill stands as is. She was not happy with that decision.

Rick & Brian Kohl owners of the Alden Village Market were present regarding the new curfew law that the board has passed. Although it is a good idea, it isn't stopping the youth from hanging in gang numbers and doing damage. One of their cars was kicked in their driveway and did over \$1,000 worth of damage to it. They call the police and of course the kids scatter after they do any damage. Mr. Kohl is concerned that something may happen to his business. He witnesses the police going up and down Broadway, but feels that they should go down the side streets as that is where these groups are hanging out. He has heard many residents of Emerson St. complain about the damage the kids are doing on their street. Deputy Manicki reported that three curfew tickets have been written so far, but they haven't appeared in court as of yet. Unfortunately, there seems to be the same problem in other communities. It was suggested that the Clerk send a notice to the Sheriff's and Troopers to see if their patrol could include a sweep up and down the side streets and local businesses before they leave the village. A Community Watch was also discussed. It was agreed that coming to the meetings and letting the board know what is happening may help keep everyone aware as it is then put in the paper. Deputy Manicki thanked Rick and Brian for attending.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENTS:**

**Supt. Sitzman**-reported that the sidewalk project on the south side of Broadway by the viaduct should be done in 2-3 weeks. If the weather holds out they will attempt to do the north side also. The design phase for the water project to remove iron and magnesium has been submitted to the state for review. The County has signed off on their end, and once it is approved by the state, paperwork will be prepared to put it out to bid hopefully by the end of the month.

**CEO Czechowski**- the ISO rating for building codes has been downgraded from it's original rating for the village as there were mistakes made on the original rating. This correction was in the village's favor. The Tim Horton's project is waiting for final paperwork for the State DOT, otherwise they are ready to go.

**UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:**

- **Codes**-Attorney and CEO in the process of finalizing
- **Policy Manual Update**-nothing new

**MOTION** by Trustee Sitzman, seconded by Trustee Warmus, to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:12 PM. Carried

I respectfully submit,

Elizabeth A. Kegler  
Village Clerk