

# MINUTES – Alfred Village Board of Trustees Public Hearing #1

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February 14, 2012

**Present:** Mayor Clark, Trustees Bowden, Rasmussen, Dosch, Prophet; Clerk-Treasurer Koegel; Police Chief O’Grady, 2 members of the public and 1 member of the press

1. **Public Hearing Opening** –Mayor Clark opened the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.
2. Local Law #2012-1: Property Tax Cap Override Law
  - a. Mayor Clark and Trustee Rasmussen explained the reason for the law, stating there have been changes in Office of the State Comptroller’s interpretation of this new state tax cap law causing some municipalities to have an imposed amount placed into reserves even when they followed the tax cap law as instructed. Police Chief O’Grady, who is also a county legislator, said he experienced widespread misunderstanding about the property tax cap from people who believed it was a cap on the tax rate rather than the actual cap on the tax levy. The village anticipates keeping the levy increase below 2% despite the passage of this override law.
3. **Adjournment** – The public hearing was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn L. Koegel, Clerk-Treasurer