

MINUTES – Alfred Village Board of Trustees Meeting

January 13, 2015

Present: Mayor Grigg; Trustees Bowden, Rasmussen; Clerk-Treasurer Koegel; Police Chief Griffith; approximately 20 members of the public and 1 member of the press

1. **Meeting Opening** – Mayor Grigg opened the meeting at 7:50 p.m.
2. **Guests**
 - a. Jason Rodd/John Ninos: Pay-As-You-Throw (PAYT) Garbage Service – Why is this coming up again? Mayor Grigg responded research shows the weight of rubbish could decrease up to 50%, the village is requesting bids for both PAYT and regular garbage service and will keep full service if financially possible.
 - b. Drew McInnes: Hill Street plowing – requested plowing with higher frequency, especially early Saturday and Sunday and mid-day; requested slower plowing to prevent mailbox getting hit.
 - c. Paul Weaver: Ford Street plowing – stated condition is typically bad, especially at intersection.
3. **Minutes** –
 - a. **A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Bowden/Rasmussen to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 9, 2014 and the budget meeting of January 9, 2015. Motion passed 3-0.
4. **Announcements**
5. **New Business**
 - a. **Alfred Community Theater Donation** – **A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Bowden/ Rasmussen to acknowledge a \$500 donation for Mike Kenyon Children’s Playground improvements; motion passed 3-0. **A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Rasmussen/Bowden to approve the additional \$500 in reimbursement (from the playground reserve fund) to Alfred Montessori School for materials for those improvements. Motion passed 3-0.
 - b. **Local Law #2015-1 Zoning Law** – **A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Rasmussen/Bowden to approve Local Law #2015-1, revised zoning law. Motion passed 3-0 as follows:
 - i. Mayor Grigg – Aye
 - ii. Trustee Rasmussen – Aye
 - iii. Trustee Bowden - Aye
 - c. **Garbage Bid Specifications** – **A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Bowden/Rasmussen to authorize sending out for bid, to be opened at the regular board meeting of February 10, 2015, the following, motion passed 3-0:
 - i. Garbage Bid Specifications for service unchanged from the 2014-15 contract.
 - ii. Garbage Bid Specifications for Pay-As-You-Throw service.
 - d. **Budget Workshop Dates** – The board discussed scheduling the next budget workshop the week of January 26th.
 - e. **Election Resolutions**
 - i. **Election Day** – **A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Rasmussen/ Bowden to hold the Village General Election on Wednesday, March 18, 2015

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from 12:00 noon to 9:00 p.m. at the Village Hall located at 7 West University St., Alfred, New York. Motion passed 3-0.

- ii. **Election Inspectors** – A motion was made and seconded by Trustees Bowden/Rasmussen to appoint Zoe Coombs as Chairperson and Election Inspector, and Erion Clark as Alternate for the Democratic Party, and Tricia Napolitano as Election Inspector, and Kim Gayhart as Alternate for the Republican Party, all at a rate of \$9.50 per hour. Motion passed 3-0.
 - f. **Shared Service: Village Gasoline and Diesel Pumps** – A motion was made and seconded by Trustees Bowden/Rasmussen to adopt the Gasoline/Diesel Use Policy and authorize the Town of Alfred and the Alfred Station Fire company to use the village gas pump and A.E. Crandall Hook & Ladder to use the village diesel pump; all to reimburse the village in accordance with authorized procedures (attached). Motion passed 3-0.
 - g. **Shared Service: Town of Alfred Police Protection** – A motion was made and seconded by Trustees Rasmussen/Bowden to authorize the mayor to sign the revised Agreement for Police Protection Services with the Town of Alfred (attached). Motion passed 3-0.
6. **Old Business** – none
7. **Public Comment Period**
- a. Jason Rodd: AU Central Water Meter – requested update. Mayor Grigg briefly reviewed the history and read from the January 9th budget minutes a portion of Trustee McDowell’s report that addressed the issue.
 - b. Christel Rodd: Hot Dog Day – any news? Mayor Grigg said that while he hasn’t attended those meetings, he is aware the schools have asked the village to do some things: (1) revisit the social hosting law, which is a medium-term project (2) ban parking during a portion of the weekend, for which we are exploring enforcement logistics, and (3) increase police protection, which we are going to do. It has become clear there will be a Hot Dog Day; all the village board does is close Main Street or not – if not, they will hold it on campus. The board asked the campuses to take pressure off A.E. Crandall Fire and Ambulance Company by (1) opening and staffing both campus health centers and (2) each hiring a paid ambulance service to respond to calls. The campuses are discussing this internally.
 - i. Zach Hamm: Who pays for increased police protection? Chief Griffith stated a portion is billed to the campuses, a portion is funded through the county Stop DWI program and a portion is contributed from the county Sheriff’s Department. He also reported the statistics show a correlation between increased incidents and decreased police presence since 2006, and expressed his expectation this change will make a difference. Paul Weaver supported the concept that police can help eliminate life-risky behaviors before they get to that point, but there have to be complaints in order for them to respond.
8. **Reports** –
- a. Justin Grigg (Mayor) – Mayor Grigg gave the report and highlighted recent attendance at an Alfred-Almond senior politics class.

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- b. Virginia Rasmussen (Code Enforcement/Planning Board/Community Coalition) – Trustee Rasmussen gave a written report in advance of the meeting and requested the board consider making Greene Street one way going down and the end of Glen Street one way coming up through Saratoga going down (two-way); another consideration should be speed bumps or rumble strips on Hillcrest Drive.
 - c. Becky Prophet (Youth & Recreation/Fire & Ambulance Dept.) – No report
 - d. Brad Bowden (Wastewater Treatment Plant) – Trustee Bowden gave a written report in advance of the meeting.
 - e. Tom McDowell (Streets & Water) – Trustee McDowell gave a report in advance of the meeting.
 - f. Paul Griffith (Police) – Chief Griffith gave the written year-end report in advance of meeting.
 - g. Kathryn Koegel (Clerk-Treasurer) – No report.
9. **Review of December Action Items**
10. **Finance**
- a. **Bills** –
 - i. **Abstract 2015-8 – A motion was made** by Trustees Bowden/Rasmussen to pay bills in the total amount of \$74,113.62 as detailed below and on the abstract list distributed to the board, motion passed 3-0.
 - 1. General Fund \$38,342.55
 - 2. Water Fund \$14,587.46
 - 3. Sewer Fund \$21,183.61
11. **Executive Session** – none
12. **Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.
13. **Upcoming Meetings**
- a. Next Regular Board meeting Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn L. Koegel, Clerk-Treasurer