

MINUTES – Alfred Village Board of Trustees Public Hearing

April 14, 2015

Present: Mayor Grigg; Trustees Bowden, Prophet, McClain, McDowell; Clerk-Treasurer Koegel; Chief Griffith and approximately 10 members of the public

1. **Hearing Opening** –Mayor Grigg opened the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.
2. **2015-16 Tentative Budget** – Mayor Grigg summarized the budget and explained it includes capital projects while moving towards becoming more sustainable, due to reconfiguration in the police department, other cost savings, and a long-awaited halt in the cost increases associated with the wider economic problems of the state.
3. **Questions/Comments**
 - a. In response to a question about how salary information available on the internet compares to budget figures, it was explained that in some cases they are distributed across more than one fund; some salary figures include amounts paid to employees according to contract in lieu of using benefit time (i.e. vacation, sick, holiday).
 - b. There was a question about who owns the fire department building. The village does not own the building.
 - c. There was a question about whether the donation from Alfred University is renegotiated every year. Mayor Grigg answered that there is ongoing dialogue depending on the factors in place and changes that occur at various times.
 - d. There was a question about whether Alfred State College is building its own water wells.
4. **Adjournment** – The hearing was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn L. Koegel, Clerk-Treasurer