

MINUTES – Alfred Village Board of Trustees Budget Meeting

January 21, 2016

Present: Mayor Grigg; Trustees Bowden, McClain, McDowell, Prophet (arrived 9:00a.m.);
Treasurer Slade, Clerk Hasper

1. **Meeting Opening** – Mayor Grigg opened the budget workshop at 8:30a.m.
2. Mayor Grigg shared his desire to keep everyone in the loop on the budget process and his goal to lower the village tax rate over a period of years.
3. Key Revenue Figures Discussed
 - a. State Aid– assume no change
 - b. NYS DOT CHIPS – assume no change
 - c. Increase in assessed valuation - \$38,229,881 (increase from \$37,098,956 in 2015)
 - d. Water Rates – 2% increase
 - e. Sewer Rates 2 % increase
 - f. Fund Balances
4. Other topics of discussion
 - a. Property Tax Cap
 - b. Fire/Ambulance Contract
 - c. Salaries
 - d. Public Safety – campus contributions
 - e. Garbage Contract
 - f. Public Safety Revenue - Police Contract with town
 - g. Medical Insurance Cost
 - h. Distribution of office staff costs between funds
 - i. Utilizing fund balances
 - j. Contingency Budget Figure
 - k. Commercial Water Rate
 - l. Water Billing efficiency Projects
 - m. Web Redesign
 - n. Hot Dog Day parade Coordinator stipend
5. **Garbage Bid Specifications** – **A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees McDowell/McClain to authorize solicitation of Garbage Bid specifications for unchanged service level from the 2015-2016 contract, to be opened at the regular board meeting of February 9, 2016. Additionally, requests should include figures for both a one year and three year contract. Motion passed 5-0.
6. **Adjournment**–**A motion was made** and seconded by Trustee Bowden/McClain to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 a.m. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Hasper, Clerk