

MINUTES – Alfred Village Board of Trustees Budget Meeting

January 22, 2019

Present: Mayor Prophet, Trustees McClain, Ninos, Gill and Brown; Treasurer Slade, Chief Griffith, Tom Costello, Clerk Hasper

1. **Meeting Opening** – Mayor Prophet opened the budget workshop at 8:00 a.m.
2. Decreased Revenue –
 - a. Trustee McClain shared concerns of decreased revenue due to:
 - i. College water usage lower
 - ii. Looking to the future and the likelihood of the legalization of marijuana and the subsequent loss of approximately \$10,000 per year in unlawful possession of marijuana tickets.
3. Increasing Revenue
 - a. Chief Griffith raised the idea of increasing the open container fines which have not been raised in years. Currently the fine is \$50 and the suggestion to bump it up to a minimum of \$100 and a maximum of \$200 was made.
 - b. The suggestion of raising the water, sewer and sewer bond rates approximately 3% was made. The current income from the sewer bond charge does not meet the payments made on the bonds.
 - c. Possibly creating a commercial sewer rate.
 - d. Possibly installing flow meters to measure the sewer coming out of the colleges.
4. Vehicles and Large Equipment
 - a. Trustee McClain spoke about the OGS (Office of General Services) website for surplus items for sale
 - b. Public Works Department's #1 priority is to replace the International 4700 that just went to the auction.
 - c. Routine maintenance will now be performed on a regular basis on Village vehicles.
 - d. Possibility of shared services with the Town of Alfred for the Steiner
 - e. Possibility of using Andover's Street Sweeper with it being a win-win deal. Tom Costello will talk with Andover and try to get something in writing regarding this.
5. Mayor Prophet left the meeting at 8:55 a.m.
6. Discussion on the Village Hall boiler.
7. **Meeting Adjourned**

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Hasper, Clerk