

MINUTES – Alfred Village Board of Trustees Meeting

September 10, 2019

Present: Mayor Becky Prophet, Deputy Mayor McClain, Trustees Brown, Gill and Ninos; Clerk Hasper; Police Chief Griffith and approximately 8 members of the public.

- 1. Meeting Opening** – Mayor Prophet opened the meeting at 7:32 p.m.
- 2. Announcements** – Common Ground is meeting every Monday at 6:00 p.m. at the Terra Cotta.
- 3. Guests**
 - a. **Michelle Denhoff** – Allegany County Planning & Development Specialist presented the draft of the Alfred Comprehensive Plan to the board. All comments should be sent to her by October 4, 2019.
 - b. Complaints were voiced regarding the Terrace St/Main St intersection and the hedge that blocks drivers from seeing vehicles on Main St. It has been trimmed some but not enough to safely see Main St traffic.
 - c. Justin Grigg and Drew McInnes were present to answer questions regarding the “Village of Alfred Street Tree Guide” they had compiled and given to the board prior to the meeting. The document, containing management recommendations and tree inventory, is a proposed tree guide/recommendation. They handed it off to the Village board who acknowledged receipt of it. A forum on the Tree Guide will be held on Monday October 7, 2019 in the Village Hall for public input. Physical copies will be made available to the public in various locations as well as on the Village website and social media
 - d. Complaints were received on the full/blocked street drains throughout the Village.
- 4. Minutes – A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Brown/Gill to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of July 9, 2019 and the special board meeting of August 5, 2019. Motion passed 5-0.
- 5. New Business**
 - a. **Smart Growth Grant – A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees McClain/Gill to approve the payment to Empire State Development for the commitment fee (\$25,000.00) and reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses (\$337.72) for the Smart Growth Grant Disbursement Agreement. Motion passed 5-0.
- 6. Reports**
 - a. Village Hall – Trustee Gill gave a report
 - b. Mayor/Fire & Ambulance Dept/Code Enforcement - Mayor Prophet gave a report
 - c. Deputy Mayor/Planning Board – Trustee McClain gave a report
 - d. Public Works – Trustee Ninos gave a report
 - e. Police – Chief Griffith gave a report
 - f. Youth & Recreation/Business Association – Trustee Brown gave a report
- 7. Public Comment** – Comments were received regarding:

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- a. Acceptance of sludge from ASK and the Village's ability to handle it
- b. Should the property on AU campus where the new Starbucks is be put on the tax roll?
- c. Smart Growth Grant - due to the unforeseen delays, can it be reopened for others to apply?

8. Finance

- a. **Fiscal Summary – A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees McClain/Ninos to acknowledge receipt of the July and August fiscal summaries and financial statements. Motion passed 5-0.
- b. **Bills Abstract 2020-3 - A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Brown/Gill to pay bills in the total amount of \$138,197.60 as detailed below and on the abstract list distributed to the board.
 1. General Fund \$94,862.24
 2. Water Fund \$8,713.76
 3. Sewer Fund \$26,811.80
 4. Capital Projects \$7,809.80Motion passed 5-0.
- c. **Bills Abstract 2020- 4- A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Brown/McClain to pay bills in the total amount of \$105,208.51 as detailed below and on the abstract list distributed to the board with a friendly amendment to an account number on a Microbac bill in the water fund.
 1. General Fund \$29,615.67
 2. Water Fund \$36,728.63
 3. Sewer Fund \$13,260.49
 4. Capital Projects \$25,603.72Motion passed 5-0.

9. Adjournment – A motion was made by Trustee Ninos to adjourn at 9:54 p.m.

10. Upcoming Meetings

- a. Next Regular Board meeting Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Hasper, Clerk