

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

October 13, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Alfred was held at 7:00 pm October 13, 2016. All Board members were present. Guests were Anne Acton and Michael Griffin, NYSDOT. Representing the Village of Alfred was Drew McGinnis. Also, Chief of Police Paul Griffith. Arriving at 7:30 was Silas, Tim and Jane Cochran. Representing the press was Dave Snyder of the *Alfred Sun* and Jason Jordon of the *Evening Tribune*. Also Highway Superintendent Brad Price and Town Clerk Jan Burdick.

The regular monthly meeting was opened by Supervisor Acton with the pledge to the flag.

Guests: Michael Griffin, Assistant Design Engineer, NYSDOT, was present to give an update on the Baker's Bridge project. Mr. Griffin presented a drawing of the bridge and the location of it. Mr. Griffin stated that the current bridge was built in 1936 and the plan is to replace it in 2018. It will be put back in the same location, same height and same placement as the current one. A new sidewalk will be on the bridge out to Route 21 allowing room for bikers. Mr. Griffin added that there won't be much impact on property owners. Buying about 6-8" of property from Bob Lawrence and Brennan Lang for sidewalks. The bridge will take approximately four months to build at a cost of \$1.8 million dollars. The state has allocated the funds so it will be completed. Mr. Griffin added that the access for the Fire Hall will remain and they will be renting land from them for the contractor to keep equipment during the building. Goal is to have people happy with the bridge when it is done. Anne Acton asked if the triangle on Route 244 would remain and Mr. Griffin stated it would.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of September 6, 2016 were approved with a motion by Mary Stearns, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

Unfinished Business – Patrick Palmer Zoning Permit in a Light Industrial District. Additional requirements were stipulated as follows:

1. Crib all raw materials with large concrete blocks.
2. Open piles are permitted for short-term contracts; open piles are permitted for no more than three months.
3. Sigh barriers for open storage of finished product and equipment comprised of densely planted evergreen shrubs, solid fencing, or a combination of both. The minimum height shall six feet.
4. This will apply to all parcels that are part of the business.

A motion to approve the permit with all stipulations was made by Dan Acton, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 4-0-1 with Mary Stearns abstaining due to being employed by S. Tier Concrete.

Police Report – Reviewed written report. There were 21 calls for service in the Town in September. Chief Griffith reported on the incident at Tinkertown Hardware involving a paving company that tried to scam them.

Monthly Report – All ok.

Codes Enforcement Officer - Reviewed written report. Noted that a certified letter was sent to Addison Frey on County Route 12 regarding the disrepair of his house.

911 Project – Silas Cochran reported that the project is now completed. They install over 500 posts and the total cost of the project was \$7794.64. About 11 different people helped and

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approximately 298 man hours to complete the project. Silas reported that A.E.Crandall forwarded \$1500 to the project so it could be completed. He was able to pay back \$500 of that. Dan Acton asked about future maintenance of the signs and asked if the Town would assume responsibility now. Silas stated that it could be the Town or the individual homeowners. The numbers have a 10 year warranty through CTC in Andover. Mr. Cochran was congratulated for doing such a great job and undertaking such a large project and thanked for completing it.

Correspondence

- Board of Elections – increase in pay for election inspectors.
- DOT – Pine Street Bridge Funding – will be paid by State and Federal Funds with no cost to the Town.
- NYS Department of Ag. & Markets – inspection of dog kennel. All ok.
- Justice Court Grant – Joint grant for the Town and Village Court to upgrade security cameras, etc. A motion to approve applying for the grant was made by Mary Stearns seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0.
- District V Legislators Meeting October 18 in Swain.

General Abstract #10- Vouchers #116-128 in the amount of \$9481.85 were approved with a motion by Mary Stearns seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

Highway Abstract #10- Vouchers #147-162, including Voucher #132 to George & Swede from September, in the amount of \$49743.98 were approved with a motion by Fion MacCrea seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

Highway Report – Brad Price reviewed the written report and road work that has been done this month. Reported on the demonstration of a pot hole machine and seems to do a pretty good job. Brad Price stated that it is like oil and stone and should last up to seven years. Jerry Snyder asked about the ditches on Randolph Road and if they would be cleaning them with the grader? Brad Price stated that they are using the loader.

Drew McGinnis thanked that Town for helping the Village by hauling sludge from the wastewater treatment plant.

Supervisor's Report

- Met with Kasey Klingensmith on the Comprehensive Plan.

Town Clerk - Reviewed monthly report.

Committee Reports – Fion MacCrea reported that the Comprehensive Plan working group has submitted a rough draft to MRB to begin work on it.

Other Business – Bo b Ormsby asked if anyone knew what happen to the Baker's bridge/Camp Harley directional sign that was at the bottom of Hamilton Hill Road. (It has been located and returned to the Town.)

A motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Union Negotiations was made by Jerry Snyder, seconded by Dan Acton and carried 5-0 at 8:10 pm. A motion to end Executive Session at 8:42 pm was made by Jerry Snyder seconded by Dan Acton and carried 5-0.

Bank Statements - A motion by Mary Stearns to approve the Bank statements seconded by Dan Acton and carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice L. Burdick,

Town Clerk

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