

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

July 12, 2012

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Alfred was held at 7:00 pm Thursday July 12, 2012. All Board members were present. Also present were Chief O'Grady, and Janice Burdick. Residents Kasey Klingensmith, Graham Marks, Fred Fredrickson, and Jeff Sluyter-Beltrao. Representing the press was David Snyder of the *Alfred Sun*.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by Supervisor Tom Mansfield.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of June 14, 2012 were approved with a motion by Donn Lang, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

Police Report - Reviewed the written report. Chief O'Grady reported that it has been quiet.

Elections – Voting in Primary amounted to a total of about 100 people. All Village and Town residents voted at the Town. The buzzing light in the garage will be looked at and hopefully fixed before the September primary. There were complaints that there wasn't a sign at the Alfred Fire Hall telling people they had to vote at the Town – there was a sign that blew down and was on the ground.

Review of Monthly Report – Mortgage Tax - \$7789.50 and CHIPS - \$43,000.00, payments received.

Correspondence:-

- ISO Building Codes Effectiveness Grading Schedule – received 5 out of 10. ISO is meeting with Steve Kilmer August 6, 2012 to review and fill out questionnaire.
- Final Equalization Rate – 100%.

General Abstract #7-2012 – Vouchers #86-96 in the amount of \$13299.59 were approved with a motion by Mary Stearns seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

Highway Abstract #6-2012 – Vouchers #79- 84 in the amount of \$4599.17 were approved with a motion by Donn Lang seconded Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

Highway Report –Reviewed written report. Hogweed was found on Kenyon Road – DEC came and removed the flowering seeds – will keep an eye on it.

- Ditch work on Davis Road, graded, brined and rolled.
- Tree trimming on Davis and Pleasant Roads. Worked on sharp edges on shoulders of Hamilton Hill and Pleasant Valley with skid pave material in advance of oil and stoning.
- Helped Andover haul material.
- Finished mowing Randolph, Greene, Lynch, Fisher, Davis, McAndrews, Kenyon, Cook and Ormsby Roads. All roads mowed once now.
- Will begin oil and stoning on Monday. Alma, Andover, Scio and Wellsville will be helping.
- Hauled concrete blocks from Hansen's to Sibley Road. No begin date given yet.
- Replaced fuel tank on 1994 Ford with a used one.

Supervisor – Voting – not sure what is going to happen in September and November?

Reported that there are 9 students living in Alfred Station tracking bears. They have barrels in yard with rotting meat. After some complaints about the odor, they were removed. This is a project funded by Cornell University.

Planning Board – Fion MacCrea attended the meeting on Wednesday. They have been reviewing the Town of Dansville and the Town of Danby's Road Use Agreements. They have made recommendations of what to use from each law for the Town of Alfred's law. Mr. MacCrea went over some of the differences in the two laws. Mr. MacCrea also talked with a representative of the County Soil and Water Department – they have not been brought in to do any baseline water testing in Allegany County. Tioga County Task Force in PA is doing testing – may want to talk with them. They also stressed how important the Road Use Agreement is.

Kasey Klingensmith reported that she is meeting with Fred Sinclair regarding testing water for baseline ph and temperature. They need more volunteers to help with this.

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Mary Stearns reported that she did talk with David Slottje who informed her he would review the Town's Zoning Laws and Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Slottje also stressed the importance of getting the Road Preservation Law done. He can't help with that – they are busy working with Town's that don't have a Moratorium.

Donn Lang questioned the procedure for extending the moratorium and Freddy Fredrickson asked if one Public Hearing could be held for the Road Use Agreement and the extension of the Moratorium? This could be done – Town Attorney needs time to look over the Road Use Agreement.

Other Business – A Village resident called inquiring about the status of Baker's Bridge. Tom Mansfield reported that according to the State DOT website, bids to remove the bridge will be announced in the fall of 2014 with removal by 2015.

Financial Committee – June 2012 bank statements were reviewed. A motion to approve the bank statements were made by Mary Stearns seconded by Donn Lang and carried 5-0.

A motion to adjourn 8:20 pm was made by Donn Lang seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice L. Burdick,
Town Clerk