

## REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

June 13, 2013

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Alfred was opened at 7:00 pm Thursday June 13, 2013. All Board members were present. Also present were Village of Alfred Mayor Justin Grigg, Town Clerk Janice Burdick and Highway Superintendent Jamie Mansfield.

The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance by Supervisor Tom Mansfield.

**Guests:** Mayor Justin Grigg was welcomed and reported that he had attended a presentation by Lt. Governor Duffy on Tax Free NY. Informed the Town that there are grants available through the NYSDOT. Swain and Canaseraga are looking at one that would link those areas. Expressed interest in applying for a grant that would provide a corridor from Village Line to Alfred Station – bike path, sidewalk. Stated that if the Town is interested, a joint application would be the way to go. Tom Mansfield asked who would be responsible for maintaining the sidewalks and that was not known. Jerry Snyder asked what the advantage would be in doing this. Mayor Grigg responded that he feels if there is going to be any growth that is the area that it is going to happen. Would like to see new economic drivers with additional businesses – no new student housing. Residential for young families. Could see that has an area that could be marketable. Feels needs Town support, Village couldn't do it on their own. Feels this is area is a strength that is underutilized. It was noted that the Village sewer only goes as far as the old Short's. The Allegany County Chamber of Commerce is attending the Village meeting on July 9<sup>th</sup> to discuss how they are using their resources to sell Alfred.

**Approval of Minutes** – The minutes of May 9, 2013 were approved with a motion by Donn Lang, seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0.

**Monthly Report** - Still nothing from FEMA. Jerry Snyder reported that he called Tom Reed's office again and they did get a hold of Jamie Mansfield. Jamie Mansfield reported that the State has approved everything – now in the Federal Governments hands.

### **Correspondence:**

1. Board of Elections – “Use of Facility for Polling Site Agreement”. Motion by Fion MacCrea to accept this agreement, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0. This agreement is good through
2. NYS Dept of Ag and Mkts. – Inspection of Dog Kennel. Passed.
3. NYS Teamsters – Notification of contract negotiations.
4. NYSDOT – Informing that Route 21 will be under construction – 7 miles. Additional trucks. It was noted that there are additional trucks going through the Village due to bridge closing in Andover. Mayor Grigg stated that he doesn't feel there is anything they can do about it.
5. NYS Department of Taxation – Assessor term expires 9/30/13. Need to reappoint for 6 year term. Supervisor Mansfield will contact Assessor Putt to see if she wants to continue.
6. Attached Resolution No. 1-2013 to approve becoming Amicus Curiae in actions involving municipal home rule in the Court of Appeals of the State of New York was approved with a motion by Fion MacCrea, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.
7. Attached Resolution #2- 2013 Designating the Secretary of State as an agent for service of a notice of claim. Jerry Snyder suggested the Town Attorney review this. Mr. Snyder made a motion to approve after review of Town Attorney, seconded by Donn Lang and carried 5-0.

**General Abstract #6-2013** – Vouchers #64-79 in the amount of \$9617.45 were approved with a motion by Jerry Snyder seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0.

**Highway Abstract #6-2013** – Vouchers #67-80 in the amount of \$13050.13 were approved with a motion by Jerry Snyder seconded Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0. This included the Invoice from the Town of Hartsville for \$4592.77 for the Town of Alfred's share of repairs to their truck.

**Highway Report** – Reviewed written report. Busy grading, rolling and brining. Mowing road sides, changed over pipes on East Valley. Cleaned ditches. Jamie Mansfield reported on his attendance at

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Highway School in Ithaca. A cooperative venture with Alfred State College will be held to host seminars for Highway Superintendents. CHIPS Project – would like to reseal East Valley Road from Cook Road to Town Line. Cost is approximately \$12,000 per mile. Also have a spot on Davis Road that has to be redone that will be covered under warranty. After further discussion it was decided to table the CHIPS project approval until the July meeting due to concerns about FEMA reimbursement. Donn Lang expressed concerns with the shoulders on Kenyon Road – getting complaints. Jamie Mansfield stated that they are planning on working on it but need weather to be good. Also has some ditch work to do on Kenyon. Tough Mudder – Mr. Mansfield attended a meeting with representatives from the State Police and County Reps. Plus a conference call with Tough Mudder reps. The plan is to have on-site parking. Traffic will go up and down County Rt. 12. Pingrey will be one way with one lane going left and one lane going right for parking in the field. It is estimated, with the number of people registered, there could be 500 cars an hour. Concern is if it is a hot day, road is going to be ruined. At the meeting Dave Wallace of Andover asked if Tough Mudders would bond the road for damage and they didn't know if they could. Jamie Mansfield called the Association of Towns and they didn't think the Town could bond but suggested a Road Use Agreement. It was suggested that they spread sand on the roads to absorb the oil. About 2 miles of Town Roads will be affected. Jerry Snyder suggested that the Supervisor of Andover be contacted and Andover and Alfred work together on this. Jamie Mansfield will be contacting some other Towns that have events where Town roads are heavily traveled; Jamie Mansfield also expressed concern that the Town has not been informed of these meetings since Town roads will be used.

**Committees** – Mary Stearns reported that the Planning Board is still working on the amendments to the Zoning Law. Mary Stearns and Fion MacCrea are going to define the boundaries of the Zones by Roads instead of Business names.

**Financial Committee** – May 2013 bank statements were reviewed. A motion to approve the bank statements were made by Mary Stearns seconded by Tom Mansfield and carried 5-0.

A motion to adjourn 9:35 pm was made by Donn Lang seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice L. Burdick,  
Town Clerk