

MINUTES – Alfred Village Board of Trustees Meeting

March 14, 2023

Present: Mayor Prophet, Trustees Ninos, Field, McClain, and Guild; Police Chief Griffith; Clerk Masters and approximately 3 members of the public.

- 1. Meeting Opening** - Mayor Prophet opened the meeting at 7:31 p.m.
- 2. Land Acknowledgment Statement** read by Trustee Field.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance** – Trustee McClain led the pledge of allegiance.
- 4. Announcements -**
 - a. Village Elections will be held on March 21, 2023 from 12:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the Village Hall.
 - b. The Community Conversation will be held on March 21, 2023 from 6:15 - 7:15 p.m.
- 5. Guests** – Member of the public mentioned that the Park Mobile app had not been functioning for them.
- 6. Minutes –**
 - a. **A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Ninos/Guild to approve the minutes of the budget meeting of March 2, 2023 and the regular board meeting of February 14, 2023. Motion passed 5-0.
- 7. New Business**
 - a. **Part-time Police Hiring - A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Guild/Field to hire Jason Day as a part-time police officer at a rate of \$20.00 per hour effective March 15, 2023. Motion Passed 5-0.
 - b. **Local Law 2023-2 Water and Sewer Service - A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees McClain/Ninos to set a public hearing on Local Law 2023-2 Water and Sewer Service for Tuesday April 11, 2023 at 7:05 p.m. This is to amend Local Law #2012-4 Water and Sewer Service to raise the connection charge from \$500.00 to \$1,000.00 per residential connection to the village water main for new water service. Motion passed 5-0.
 - c. **Local Law 2023-3 Clerk-Treasurer Residency - A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Ninos/Field to set a public hearing on local law 2023-3 Clerk-Treasurer Residency for Tuesday April 11, 2023 at 7:00pm. This is to amend Local Law #2009-5 to expand residency for the Clerk-Treasurer and the Deputy Clerk-Treasurer to include “resident of Allegany County or of an adjoining county within the State of New York.” Motion Passed 5-0.
 - d. **WIIA Water Project Contract 2 Bid Acceptance – A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Ninos/McClain to approve Statewide Aquastore, Inc.’s bid of \$1,139,000.00 for contract 2 for the Pine Hill Water Storage Tank Project. Motion passed 5-0

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- e. **Engineering Planning Grant Authorization - A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees McClain/Ninos to authorize a representative to execute the Grant Agreement authorizing the project costs and local match funding requirements. Motion passed 5-0.
- f. **WIIA Water Project Pay App 5 – A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Ninos/Guild to approve payment to Blue Heron Construction for \$204,048.01. Motion passed 5-0.
- g. **Hot Dog Day Parade Coordinator – A motion was made** and seconded by Mayor Prophet/Trustee Ninos to offer the Hot Dog Day Coordinator position for 2023 to Victoria Rech and Zahriyah Amina paying them each \$250. Motion passed 5-0.
- h. **Budget Approval – A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees McClain/Guild to set a public hearing to approve the 2023-2024 budget on April 11, 2023 at 7:10pm. Motion passed 5-0.

8. Working Groups/Committees

- a. Town Board Meeting Attendance – Trustee Ninos will attend in April but missed in March.
- b. ACES (Alfred Committee on Equity and Safety) – No report
- c. Alfred Community Coalition – Mayor Prophet gave a report.

9. Reports

- a. Economic Development/Social Media - Trustee Guild gave a report. There has been some discussion of concern in the village of increased crime.
- b. Village Hall/Youth & Recreation – Trustee Meredith Field gave a report.
- c. Mayor/Fire & Ambulance Dept/Code Enforcement - Mayor Prophet gave a report.
- d. Deputy Mayor/Planning Board - Deputy Mayor Peter McClain gave a report.
- e. DPW - Jim Ninos gave a report.
- f. Police - Paul Griffith gave a report. Stated that calls have increased.

10. Public Comment Period -

11. Finance

- a. **Fiscal Summary - A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees McClain/Field to acknowledge receipt of the January fiscal summary and financial statement. Motion passed 5-0.
- b. **Bills Abstract 2023-10 - A motion was made** and seconded by Trustees Ninos/McClain to pay bills in the total amount of \$606,350.62 as detailed below and on the abstract list distributed to the board.

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1. General Fund \$69,751.43
2. Water Fund \$11,370.10
3. Sewer Fund \$17,036.22
4. Capital Projects \$507,792.67

Motion passed 4-0 with 1 abstaining.

12. Adjournment - A motion was made by Trustees Ninos/Field to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

13. Upcoming Meetings

- a. Next Regular Board Meeting Tuesday April 11, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.
- b. Next Budget Meeting Thursday March 16, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.
- c. Organizational Meeting Monday April 3, 2023 at 8am.
- d. Three Public Hearings Tuesday April 11, 2023 beginning at 7:00 p.m.