

Village of Almond Board Meeting
Public Hearing Prior to Meeting for Budget
05/10/2022

Present Mayor Dennis George, Deputy Mayor Paul Gabriel, Trustee Bill Lockwood Trustee David Giles,
Fire Hall Representative Herbert Schmidt, Fireman Lloyd Collins, CEO Sam Koehler
Visiting Town Supervisor Dan Hegarty, Bill Ells
Absent: Brian Snyder/ Water Superintendent

6:45 Public Hearing to discuss Budget. No public showed

1. Pledge to the flag and open meeting time – 7:00 pm
2. Fire Department – Herbert Schmidt and Lloyd Young
 - Getting another quote from Perks auto on tires. He has two other quotes that seem high
 - Keeping track of pool fills. Discussion included \$3.00 per 1,000-gal water. Board said they can charge \$25 - \$30 a tankerload. Let Julie know so she can bill.
 - Herbie inquired about the budget cut off and Julie told him end of May. If there is something that needs to be purchased the money can be encumbered.
 - Lloyd said there 1 more position to fill at tomorrow night's fire meeting.
 - Herbie asked about the gas card and the board said Julie is to know what vehicle or container is being filled and who is signing for it. Make sure she gets all receipts. She also gave him the card to give the President John Ormsby to monitor
 - Paul said he observed the truck returning from a parade and it was not clean. Asked that the fire vehicles be rinsed off before taking them to parades, etc.
 - Mayor wants to know about the back entrance door and step issue. Herbie said he is waiting for warmer weather but plans on fixing this. It is a safety issue. Lloyd said this has been an ongoing issue and with the new administration perhaps it can be addressed and fixed again.
 - The mayor asked about storing tables etc. so that the other door is accessible. The board talked about the barbeque pit building being cleaned out and closed on the one open end and using part of this for storage. The president will be told. Also there is a tree hanging over this area that needs to be taken down.
 - Teresa asked about the burn ban. It is up on May 16th, 2022. Told to call DEC and report should people be violating so a ticket can be issued.
 - Mayor told the fire representatives that NYMIR coverage for Municipal Insurance was updated. Julie gave them a copy of the fire equipment coverages.
 - Bryan has the wiring and installation information needed to hook up the Siren console. Everyone wants this set up immediately. We have waited so long for it to get here. The signal will sound 4 times. Matt said that a sign needs to be outside call box to make sure that the button is held down until it catches, and the Siren can go off.
 - Need to talk with Alfred Almond school about getting rid of the line they pay for from school to fire hall. It rings into the county anyway. Lloyd will talk to John.
 - The radio room is having a new land line installed. Hard wired with a message machine

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3. Sam Koehler CEO

- Check out Mullens Carpets. The hair salon is up and running just fine. There needs to be an annual walk through made with the Fire Department. Give them plenty of time so everything can be done. Dennis said he will talk to John about the walk through.
- Mullens added a railing on the stairs
- There are lighted exit signs that illuminate should power be loss. Paul asked if there was an evacuation plan posted.
- There is also an office upstairs.
- When asked if there was an apartment CEO Sam was told no.
- Teresa asked if he had talked to Jordon Pearl. He said he would stop in and talk to her.
- Lloyd asked about Coslos. Still owned by Marista Properties but is going on the auction block soon.

4. Mayor announcements.

- Dennis got a quote from KKR Fencing for 100' of 9 Ha 7' galvanized chain link fence with two gates one ten' and one 12'. Materials and labor \$8,667.18. The job has been previously approved.
- There are two silver maple trees on Chapel Street that NYSEG said they would take down but won't clean up.
- Put a new riser in at the end of Marvin Lane and fixed the road.
- There is water leak for the 4th time. Behind Baker property. Going to have to replace with plastic this time as copper just rusts and breaks so fast. One time exception.
- Going to be changing the Culvert up on end of Maple Ridge with CHIPS money. \$24,000.00 quote for steel pipe 36" and put one solid 6'. Some plastic will have to be part of the fix.
- The 2 benches for the park have been ordered and will be shipped soon. Dan asked about the broken one to see if Wayne could weld the broken arm. Dennis said we would take the arm to Bradley Supply to be welded.
- Julie helped Dennis name the projects he has applied for.
- Dennis talked about the grant writer and the projects he is going for first.

5. Water Department – Bryan absent

6. Approval of the minutes – A motion was made to accept last months minutes by Bill, seconded by Dave, all agreed.

- Clerk Report – Teresa - The abstracts totaled \$7,060.59 with no debits and transfers totaling \$3603.84. A motion was made to pay the bills by Bill, seconded by Paul and all agreed.

7. Bookkeeper Julie Phillips – reports available.

- Bank accounts reconciled as of 4/20/2022, Recovery Fund Report has been submitted to the treasury, tax Cap is ready to submit, and Constitutional Tax Limit is ready to submit

8. Town Representative nothing to report

9. Village Representative nothing to report

10. Other – A motion was made by Dave, seconded by Bill and passed to accept the 2022 – 2023 Budget.

Motion to adjourn at 8:30 by Bill, seconded by Paul all in favor

Respectfully Submitted, Clerk/Tax Collector Teresa L. Jaycox _____ Page 2