

Regular Village Board Meeting - Minutes
Village of Almena
January 8, 2019 • 7:00 PM

President Rayment called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: President Rayment; Trustees: Jensen, Rockow, Roff, Hellmann, Mausolf. Also present: Chief of Police Al Gabe, Clerk/Treasurer Bauer, and one citizen.

Approve Minutes: Motion to approve minutes: Mausolf, Second: Hellmann – all in favor to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2018 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comments: 1) Citizen expressed safety concern due to ice on Village sidewalks and streets. It was determined that two 50-gallon drums of salt/sand can be made available for citizens use. Public Works Riebe to determine location of drums.

Police Report - Chief of Police Al Gabe: General report of activities: arrests and traffic citations. Reviewed year-end summary of response calls. Most notably, drug arrests are significantly higher year over year. Almena Post Office fire update: Juveniles are still in custody and charges are proceeding.

Public Works Report: General Report: Clerk/Treasurer Bauer reporting in Riebe's absence: **1)** Village would be responsible for speed board signs on Clinton St (Cty P) by the school. Cost would be approx. \$1700 each. **2)** Sewer permit renewal submitted. **3)** New plow was delivered. **4)** Lighting at Veteran's Memorial is burned out. Clerk/Treasurer to follow up with VFW Commander Gehrman

Old Business: 1) Almena Post Office – no further updates as to location/timing of temporary PO Box Units **2)** General Code representative will attend February 12, 2019 meeting to present proposal

New Business: 1) Jensen reported that transition back to Trustee position is completed. **2)** Rockow reported that her notary public commission was expiring. Motion for Village to cover renewal expenses: Hellmann, Second: Jensen – all in favor to approve covering the cost of notary public renewal. Motion carried. **3)** Clerk/Treasurer reported that CliftonLarsonAllen will conduct the annual audit January 17th and 18th.

Clerk/Treasurer Report: 1) Approve claims dated December 2018 as submitted Check #50595 thru #50641. Motion to approve claims as submitted: Hellmann, Second: Roff, all in favor. Motion carried. **2)** Village pays \$130 annually in sewer charges for bulk water filling services. Public Works to install a separate meter for this service going forward. **3)** Per the Amendment to TIF Agreement dated May 14, 2013 and Resolution No. 2013-2, the TIF loan balance with Impact Seven, Inc. was to be amortized over 5 years with balance due and payable in full when taxes are due in 2018. Balance to be invoiced to Impact Seven \$31,815.

President Comments: 1) Board to consider/act on an ordinance for mailboxes prior to Spring.

Trustee Comments: 1) Mausolf recommended installing snow fence to prevent snowmobilers from cutting through personal property to access trails

Adjourn: No further business came before the Board. Motion to adjourn: Jensen, Second: Mausolf, all in favor. Motion carried.

Kim Bauer
Village Clerk/Treasurer