

TOWN OF ALDEN
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2003
Held at the Alden Town Hall, Star Prairie, WI

Chairman Brad Johnson called the regular monthly board meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.

Clerk Demulling introduced the newly elected Town of Alden Board: Brad Johnson - Town Board Chairman, Jerome Anderson, Gary Dado, John Bonneprise and Helen Johnson - Town Board Supervisors, Judy Demulling - Town Clerk and Margo Dahl – Treasurer. All were present.

AGENDA: **Voice Motion by Supervisor Anderson, second by Supervisor Dado to approve adoption of the agenda as presented.** Motion carried.

MINUTES: **Voice Motion by Supervisor Johnson, second by Supervisor Dado to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2003 regular town board meeting.** Motion carried.

MINUTES: **Voice Motion by Supervisor Bonneprise, seconded by Supervisor Johnson to approve the minutes of the Special Town Meeting of March 20, 2003.** Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS

Earl Mork, town resident questioned the wording on the ballot “Vote for one” of the 2003 Spring Election for Alden Town Board. Clerk Demulling will check with Cathy Albrecht, Polk County Clerk to see if the procedure was done correctly.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. East Side of Lower Pine Lake Road – Chairman Johnson reported that he received a letter from Attorney Brian Byrnes summarizing our discussion on the process by which the town may lay out a highway by procuring land from its residents. Next step would be for the various residents seeking this highway to make application to open this highway. **Voice motion by Supervisor Bonneprise, seconded by Supervisor Dado to table until next meeting.** Motion carried. Residents who plowed are seeking reimbursement. They will be submitting a bill to the town board.
2. Polk County Tourism Council – Celebration - Will be getting more information from the Polk County Unit of the Wisconsin Towns Association meeting on April 23, 2003.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss Resolution for County Road K – **Voice Motion by Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Dado to have a resolution in favor of supporting the study on County Road K.** Motion carried.
2. New Amery Fire Hall Financial Obligation - Informed the board on the development plans of the new building. Discussed Alden’s share of financing. **Voice motion by Supervisor Dado, seconded by Supervisor Anderson to send a letter to the City of Amery to indicate approval of our share of 63, 000 to the new Fire Hall.** Motion carried.

Voice Motion by Supervisor Bonneprise, seconded by Supervisor Johnson to hold a public meeting at 6:30 p.m. before the May Town Board Meeting to discuss fire protection in the Town of Alden and to present the Amery Fire Department. Motion carried.

3. Dan Powers - Water Problem on 206th Street - Dan Powers wishes were to have the Town of Alden take care of the problem. No action was taken.

4. Statutory Planning Commission

- Gary Dado presented the committee's report. At the next town board meeting they will present to the town board a map for approval on Exclusive Agricultural Zoning.
- Appoint two (2) open seats - **Voice Motion by Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Johnson to approve the appointments of Keith Karpenski for a three (3) year term and re-appoint Timm Johnson for a three (3) year term.** Motion carried. Timm Johnson is to be the Planning Commission chairman.
- Possible Public Works Ordinance Amendment - **Voice Motion by Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Bonneprise to adopt the amended Public Works Ordinance.** Motion carried.

ROADWORK ISSUES - PUBLIC WORKS: Following items were reported on:

- Open sealed bids for Salt/Sand Shed - Received bids from Menomonie Builders, Inc. in Menomonie, WI for \$43,410.00 and from Thaemert Custom Work in Hamburg, MN for \$33,658 The Town Board reviewed them. **Voice Motion by Supervisor Johnson, seconded by Supervisor Dado to table the bids for the evening.** Motion carried.
- Cedar Lake dock needs repair. **Voice motion by Supervisor Bonneprise, seconded by Supervisor Johnson to approve fixing the Cedar Lake dock with materials that are going to last.** Motion carried.
- Jeff and Pete have been working with the prisoners with cutting trees and cleaning the ditches along the road right away on West Church road.

APPROVE BILLS: The monthly bills were presented to the Town Board.

Voice Motion by Supervisor Bonneprise, second by Supervisor Johnson to approve payment of the bills as listed. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasure Margo Dahl read the Treasurer's report.

Voice Motion by Supervisor Johnson, second by Supervisor Dado to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Brad Johnson reported on the following items:

- Cedar Lake Trust asked for support. **Voice motion by Supervisor Bonneprise, seconded by Supervisor Anderson to send letter of support from the Town of Alden.** Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Jerome Anderson reported on the following items:

- Suggested getting three recycling boxes for May 17, 2003.

Gary Dado reported on the following item:

- Asked about regulations on trailer houses in Alden.

CLERK'S REPORT:

- Asked what the payment would be for Jon Everson, Animal Warden. **Voice motion by Supervisor Johnson, seconded by Supervisor Dado to approve paying Jon Everson the rate of \$11.12 hour or \$30.00 for picking up dogs plus .30 for mileage.** Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: East Side of Lower Pine Lake, Polk County Tourism Celebration, City of Amery Fire Department, Salt/Sand Shed, Recommendation on Exclusive Agricultural in Alden.

Next meeting will be on Thursday, May 8, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at the Alden Town Hall.

ADJOURNMENT: **Voice Motion by Supervisor Bonneprise, second by Supervisor Dado to adjourn.** Motion carried. 10:30 p.m.

Submitted by
Town Clerk

Judy Demulling