

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Albion was held Wednesday, October 9, 2024, at 6:00 PM, Village Hall, 35 East Bank Street, Albion New York.

Present were Deputy Mayor Joyce Riley, Trustee Timothy McMurray, and Trustee Greg Bennett
Absent Mayor Angel Javier Jr and Trustee William Gabalski

3 residents

Meeting audio was recorded and kept on file.

Deputy Mayor Riley opened the meeting with a pledge of allegiance at 6:00 PM.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to open the public hearing at 6:00pm to hear from the public on the dissolution of the Village of Albion Fire Department

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to close the public hearing at 6:02pm

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

Moved by Trustee Bennett and seconded by Trustee McMurray approving the minutes:

- September 25, 2024
- September 27, 2024

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent

Trustee McMurray	Aye
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PAYMENT OF VILLAGE BILLS

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett approving the monthly journal entries and the payment of the following Village bills: Vouchers #46896-47001

General	\$84,655.65
Water	\$51,082.02
Sewer	\$7,267.14
Capital	\$11,622.12

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS/USE OF FUNDS/INVOICES

Moved by Trustee Bennett and seconded by Trustee McMurray to approve the following use of funds, budget adjustments and payment of invoices

- WIIA Grant Invoices
 - o Increase exp line H0.8320.0200.010 \$517.50 Donegan WIIA 1
 - o Increase rev line H0.8320.3991.010
 - o Increase exp line H0.8320.0200.013 \$362.25 Donegan WIIA 2
 - o Increase rev line H0.8320.3991.013

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

CEMETERY DEEDS

Moved by Trustee Bennett and seconded by Trustee McMurray to approve the cemetery deed:

Dr. Beth C. Allen
 Patricia Cooper-Williams
 Michael R. & June V. Schuck

Lot 24 Central Avenue NW#1
 S.G. 909 and 910 Mapleview Avenue
 #17 Mahogany Columbarium

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye

Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

NAMING ERIE CANAL PARK GAZEBO

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett approve the following nominees to be placed on the Village Facebook page as a poll for the public to vote, voting ends 11/13/2024

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

LAMPOST DECORATIONS

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to allow Bring Back Christmas to Albion Committee to decorate the street lamppost throughout the Village and use of electric on poles

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to schedule a public hearing on 10/23/24 at 6pm for the use of cemetery funds (CM) to purchase 35 acres of land for enlargement of cemetery, survey and abstract not to exceed \$250K

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

MARKING OF CEMETERY

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to allow DPW to mark out per survey new cemetery land purchased using GIS system and rebar and any other means necessary

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye

Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

OFFER BENEFITS

Moved by Trustee Bennett and seconded by Trustee McMurray to allow Colonial Voluntary benefits to offer their products to employees

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS

Accept the following applications to be kept on file for one (1) year

Levi Boyer Chief Water Treatment plant operator

CROSSING GUARD

Attorney will reach out with follow up, table until 11/13/24

SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING

Moved by Trustee Bennett and seconded by Trustee McMurray to schedule a public hearing on 11/13/2024 at 6pm to hear from the public on the consideration of reducing the speed limit from 30mph to 25mph on McKinsty St from East State St to East Ave

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

WORKSHOP MEETINGS CANCELLED

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to cancel the workshop meetings scheduled for 11/27/24 and 12/25/24, Department heads to attend regular meetings for those two months on 11/13/24 and 12/11/24

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent

Trustee McMurray	Aye
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INTERVIEW PROCESS

Discussion was had on the interview process for the Chief Water Treatment plant operator Trustee Bennett and Trustee Gabalski to set up interviews

DENY REQUEST

The Board chose to deny the request to remove the charges for residents' water/sewer bill

ADOPT POLICY

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to adopt the water/sewer billing policy regarding final bills and newly opened water/sewer accounts

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

APPROVE PURCHASE

Moved by Trustee Bennett and seconded by Trustee McMurray to approve the purchase of a camera to be placed on the Erie Canal Park Bench

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS/USE OF FUNDS/INVOICES

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to approve the following use of funds, budget adjustments and payment of invoices

- Upstate Alarm \$2,499.39
- \$2,499.39 use of HRA reserves
 - Increase expense line A0.1325.0480.000 Reserve expense

- LaBella \$19,362.62 Final payment Fluoridation Bldg
- \$15,632.02 balance in NYCLASS from remaining ARPA funds of \$83K
 - \$3,730.60 use of Water Capital Reserves
 - Increase expense line H0.8320.0210.014 \$19,362.62 Fluoridation Bldg

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
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Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

SANTA BENCH

Moved by Trustee Bennett and seconded by Trustee McMurray to allow the bench to be placed at Waterman's Park pending final approval of the finished product

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

REVIEW PROCLAMATION

Deputy Mayor Riley requested the Board to review the proclamation for the Erie canal park bench time capsule to be opened September 28, 2059, this will then be sent to the International Time capsule Society, after approval at the 10/23/24 meeting

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOKS

Tabled until 10/23/24, Attorney to follow up

CONCESSION STAND

Trustee McMurray gave update on status of concession stand at Bullard Park

ALBION BETTERMENT COMMITTEE

Gary Kent gave the Board an update on things the committee is working on

ENTER EXECUTIVE

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to go into executive session for personnel at 7:08pm

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye

Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

EXIT EXECUTIVE

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to exit executive session at 7:16pm

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

MEETING ADJOURNED

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski that there being no further business, meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:17pm

CARRIED

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Absent
Trustee McMurray	Aye

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy A. VanSkiver
Clerk-Treasurer