

The Workshop Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Albion was held Wednesday, January 22, 2025, at 6:00 PM, Village Hall, 35 East Bank Street, Albion New York.

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

Department Heads

Present: Superintendent of Public Works James Pahura, Police Chief David Mogle, Park & Recreation Director John Grillo, Animal Control Officer Harry Papponetti, Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator Levi Boyer, Code Enforcement Officer Chris Kinter and Cemetery Superintendent Jason Zicari

Unexcused: Pollution Control Plant Chief Operator Aric Albright

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

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski at 6:00PM to hear from the public on the consideration of establishing a moratorium on cannabis dispensaries

**CARRIED**

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

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski to close the public hearing at 6:01PM

**CARRIED**

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

**DISCUSSION ON LOCAL LAW 1-2025**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski for discussion on the matter regarding Local Law 1-2025 Village of Albion for the establishment of cannabis dispensaries law

**CARRIED**

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

Trustee McMurray	Aye
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### **APPROVAL OF LOCAL LAW 1-2025**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski approving the Local Law 1-2025: Village of Albion for the establishment of cannabis dispensaries law for six (6) months

#### **CARRIED**

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

### **AMA SLEIGH**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski to allow the AMA to place the Santa sleigh, constructed by James Babcock, at Waterman's Park for 2 years, DPW will provide a cement pad

#### **CARRIED**

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

### **RESIDENT**

Pam Cherry from Ingersol St addressed the Board of her sidewalks in need of repair due to increased traffic from bridge closure. Ms. Cherry was advised that sidewalks are the responsibility of the homeowner. Trustee McMurray is working with DPW Superintendent to review sidewalks throughout Village

Ms. Cherry also informed the Board of her displeasure of her Village water/sewer bill

### **RESIDENT**

Jeff Holler requested break for water bill received for service dates 1/4/25-1/13/25, no action taken

### **PARKING LOT**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Riley to approve the request for blocking off the west side of the East Bank St Municipal parking lot for repairs to the roof owned by Frank Corso from Jeff Holler

#### **CARRIED**

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

Trustee McMurray	Aye
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### **DEPT HEAD REPORTS**

The Board of Trustees received monthly reports for December from Superintendent of Public Works James Pahura, Police Chief David Mogle, Animal Control Officer Harry Papponetti, Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator Levi Boyer, Pollution Control Plant Chief Operator Aric Albright, Cemetery Superintendent Jason Zicari, Code Enforcement Officer Chris Kinter, and Park & Recreation Director John Grillo

### **POLICE VEHICLES**

Police Chief Mogle expressed concern on need for a new police vehicle and the future vehicle replacement schedule

### **ADVERTISE POSITION**

Moved by Trustee Riley and seconded by Trustee McMurray to allow Parks and Rec Director John Grillo to advertise for an assistant supervisor for the upcoming park program

### **CARRIED**

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

### **FLUORIDE**

Discussion was had on the possibility of removing fluoride from the Village Water system, Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator Levi Boyer is looking into process

### **APPROVE MEETING MINUTES**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski approving the minutes for January 8, 2025

### **CARRIED**

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

### **TREASURERS REPORT**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski to accept the December treasurers report

### **CARRIED**

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Aye

Trustee Bennett	Aye
Trustee Gabalski	Aye
Trustee McMurray	Aye

### HIRE EMPLOYEE

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski to approve the hiring of Michael Bevins as WTP Operator, Trainee, probationary period of 52-weeks, hire date per discretion of Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator, starting pay per VOA DPW EA contract

### CARRIED

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

### BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

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

- Increase rev line A0.0000.2705.000 \$75.00
  - Donation-Albion Exempts-July Celebration
    - Add to reserves
- Increase rev line A0.0000.2705.000 \$1,000.00
  - Donation-ECG-July Celebration
    - Add to reserves
- Increase exp line F0.8340.0200.000 \$12,772.51
  - Pay invoice: 45463, Upstate Alarm
    - Use of contingency
- Increase exp line G0.8120.0200.000 \$12,330.52
  - Pay invoice: 44561, Upstate Alarm
    - Use of contingency

Create budget for Dump/Plow Trucks, allow Clerk to make all necessary JE for project

- Increase exp line H0.1640.0201.001 \$521,000.00
- Increase rev line H0.1640.4597.001 \$50,000.00
- Increase rev line H0.1640.5785.001 \$471,000.00
  - Pay invoice: 15048/15049 Freightliner & Western Star
- WIIA 1
  - Increase exp line H0.8320.0200.010 \$251,750.00 CIR Electrical Construction
  - Increase rev line H0.8320.3991.010 \$251,750.00 CIR Electrical Construction

### CARRIED

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

### **POSITIVE PAY**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski to approve the Clerks office to utilize the positive pay feature offered by KeyBank, terminate service at the discretion of the Clerk if necessary

### **CARRIED**

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

### **BREAK REQUEST**

No action was taken on the request from ACS for the removal of the water base charge on the Stackwick Fieldhouse bill received January 2025

### **MATURITY SCHEDULE**

Moved by Trustee Gabalski and seconded by Trustee Riley approved the 10-year maturity schedule for the financing for the two (2) 2025 Western Star Dump/Plow Trucks and upfitting

### **CARRIED**

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

### **INTERNET SERVICE**

Moved by Trustee Gabalski and seconded by McMurray to approve coax internet for a 12-month term at \$200 per month and \$39.99 for the Block of 5 IPs for each location

### **CARRIED**

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

### **PHONES**

Trustee Gabalski requested the Clerk and Police Chief to obtain the total number of phones and phone lines needed for their respective offices. Trustee Gabalski will follow up with phone distributors

**CITIZENS APP**

Tabled until 2/12/2025

**VOA DPW EA**

Trustee Bennett and Trustee Riley will engage in conversations with DPW Union

**ISSUE CHECK**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski to issue the remaining unused funds from Town of Gaines and Town of Albion revenue received for 2024 calendar year for a total of \$36,313.36 to Albion Joint Fire District, formally known as Villag of Albion Fire Department

**CARRIED**

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

**USDA GRANTS/FINANCING**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski to allow Clerk to reach out to USDA on grants and financing options for the purchase of Police vehicles

**CARRIED**

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

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

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

- Increase rev line A0.0000.2705 \$50.00 Donation from VFW, July 3<sup>rd</sup> Celebration
  - Add to reserves

**CARRIED**

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

Trustee McMurray	Aye
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### **ERIE CANAL PARK FOLIAGE**

Trustee Riley updated Board on privacy fencing options for Erie Canal Park, near National Grid fence, DPW Superintendent researching pricing and ideas and will provide to Board at a later date

### **ENTER EXECUTIVE**

Moved by Trustee Gabalski and seconded by Trustee McMurray to enter executive session at 8:33pm for contractual

### **CARRIED**

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

### **EXIT EXECUTIVE**

Moved by Trustee Gabalski and seconded by Trustee McMurray to exit executive session at 8:52pm

### **CARRIED**

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

### **MEETING ADJOURNED**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski having no further business, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:52pm

### **CARRIED**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy A. VanSkiver  
Clerk-Treasurer

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