

The Workshop Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Albion was held Wednesday, July 30, 2025, at 6:00 PM, Village Hall, 35 East Bank Street, Albion New York.

Present were Trustee William Gabalski, and Trustee Timothy McMurray

Excused: Trustee Joyce Riley,  
Absent: Mayor Angel Javier, Jr

Present: Superintendent of Public Works James Pahura, Animal Control Officer Harry Papponetti, and Cemetery Superintendent Jason Zicari

Absent: Park & Recreation Director John Grillo, Pollution Control Plant Chief Operator Aric Albright, Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator Levi Boyer, Code Enforcement Officer Chris Kinter and Police Chief David Mogle

Residents: 10

Deputy Mayor Gabalski opened the meeting at 6:02PM

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Susan Starkweather-Miller, Village Historian, updated Board on funds raised for Mt. Albion Chapel replacement. Expressed her gratitude for the donations received thus far.

Scott Burto and Nichola Ostrander from G & G municipal consulting and grant writing provided the Board with the annual update of various grants in process, received and available in the near future. Nichola advised the Board on an upcoming grant available to the residents for vacant rental funding.

Jovannie Canales, Pastor at Harvest Christian Fellowship, and John Morgan, Stuntman, asked the Board permission to allow Leap of Faith, a dare devil stunt act to be held at Bullard Park scheduled for August 2026 during the annual Sunday Fun Day.

Nicole Blue, Village resident, addressed the Board on nuisances throughout the Village, asked the Board to back the Code Officer in his enforcement

Liz Groat, local business owner, offered the Browsery as the Village Visitor/Welcome Center

### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

Moved by Trustee Bennett and Trustee McMurray to accept the proposal from G&G Municipal consulting to administer the Comprehensive plan for the Village in the amount of \$12,000.00, contingent on paying \$6,000.00 in 2025-2026 budget year and the balance of \$6,000.00 in 2026-2027 budget.

### **CARRIED**

Mayor Javier	Absent
Trustee Riley	Absent
Trustee Bennett	Aye

Trustee Gabalski	Aye
Trustee McMurray	Aye

### **VISITOR/WELCOME CENTER**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to approve the Downtown Browsersy as the official Village of Albion Visitor/Welcome Center

### **CARRIED**

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

### **DEPARTMENT HEAD BOARD REPORT**

### **HIRE MEO**

Moved by Trustee Bennett and seconded by Trustee McMurray to hire Randy Pearl, rate of pay per DPW Union Contract MEO, 52-week probation period, start date at discretion of DPW Superintendent

### **CARRIED**

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

### **APPROVE MEETING MINUTES**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett approving the minutes for July 9, 2025

### **CARRIED**

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

### **TREASURERS REPORT**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to accept the June treasurer's report

### **CARRIED**

Mayor Javier	
Trustee Riley	Aye
Trustee Bennett	
Trustee Gabalski	Aye

Trustee McMurray	Aye
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### BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

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

#### July 3<sup>rd</sup> Celebration/Fireworks

Place in reserves Donations	\$40.00	Oblick Family
	\$131.00	Cash jars
	\$205.00	Cash jars
	\$491.00	Cash jars
	\$19.19	Cash jars
	\$203.00	Cash jars
	\$86.00	Cash jars

#### WIIA 1

Increase expense line H0.8320.0200.010 \$214,761.75 CIR Electrical

Increase revenue line H0.8320.3991.010 \$214,761.75

Place in DPW equip reserves	\$850.00	17 planters-scraped
Place in recreation reserves	\$350.00	donations for county wide fun day
Increase revenue line F0.0000.2690	\$22,614.83	PFAS Settlement
Increase expense line G0.8130.0212	\$37,672.00	EYW Companies LLC
Use of Sewer Computer/Scada and Sewer Reserves		SCADA Upgrade
Increase expense line A0.3120.0203	\$700.59	All Traffic Solutions: balance owed after grant funds have been exhausted
Use of Police Equip reserves		
Increase expense line A0.3120.0205	\$55,590.00	Joe Basil Chevrolet-2025 Chevy Tahoe

#### CARRIED

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

#### CHANGE ORDER

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to approve the change order for the WIIA 1 project, original contract price \$1,369,000.00 to \$1,364,121.74

**CARRIED**

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

**CEMETERY DEEDS**

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

John Borello	#60 Mahogany Columbarium
Thomas H. & Ann F. Poelma	S.G. 1839 East Greenbank Avenue
Michael L. Sanders	S.G. 961 Deerfield Avenue

**CARRIED**

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

**EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS**

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

Randy Pearl	MEO
Thomas Burton	MEO
Sean Smith	MEO
Bryan Smith	MEO
Lauren Rothman	MEO

**WATER/SEWER RATES**

Clerk provided Board with status of water and sewer funds, and asked Board to review water/sewer rates, along with need for infrastructure upgrades in the near future

**OFFICE CLOSING**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Gabalski to close the Village Clerks office 9/25 and 9/26 due to office upgrades being made

**CARRIED**

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

Trustee McMurray	Aye
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### **WAIVE PAVILION RENTAL FEE**

Request from Lions Club for Bullard Park pavilion fee to be waived was denied

### **WAIVE TAMPERING FEE**

Request from Cassandra Healy for a tampering fee to be waived was denied

### **HPC MEMBER NUMBERS**

Requesting HPC and Code Officer to discuss current code and bring back to Board

### **SCHEDULE INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to schedule an informational meeting for public interest regarding the grant on Vacant Rental funding for 8/12/2025 at 6PM

### **CARRIED**

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

### **ST JOES PARK-BASEBALL FIELD**

Moved by Trustee Bennett and seconded by Trustee McMurray to offer Dan Conrad to upgrade St. Joe's Park on S Clinton St as a league size baseball field for use by Orleans Youth Baseball teams

### **CARRIED**

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

### **ENTER EXECUTIVE**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to enter executive at 8:19PM to discuss contract negotiations and a personal matter

### **CARRIED**

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

### **EXIT EXECUTIVE**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett to exit executive at 9:06PM

**CARRIED**

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

Moved by Trustee McMurray and seconded by Trustee Bennett having no further business, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:06PM

**CARRIED**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy A. VanSkiver  
Clerk-Treasurer