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# *Village of Almont*

*817 North Main Street  
Almont, Michigan 48003*

**Village Council:**  
Steve Schneider, President  
Tim Dyke, Pres. Pro-Tem  
Richard Lauer  
Dave Love  
Gary Peltier  
Richard Tobias  
Thomas Umphenour

## **ALMONT VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING March 5, 2013**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Schneider called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present: Dyke, Lauer, Love, Peltier, Tobias, Schneider, Umphenour

Councilmembers Absent: None

Staff Present:

Village Manager	Oliver Turner
Clerk/Treasurer	Kimberly Keesler
Police Chief	Pat Nael

Guests Present: 3 High School Students

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

None

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the agenda, including an addition to discuss the purchase of a patrol vehicle during open discussion.

### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Public Hearing Minutes, February 19, 2013
2. Regular Meeting Minutes, February 19, 2013 as corrected:
  - a. Item #1 of the Regular Agenda – the word “community’s” should be “communities” and the word “dob-barking” should be “dog-barking”.
  - b. Item #1 of the Regular Agenda – add after “Discussion was held”, “including extensive comments from citizen, Conan Hitch”.
  - c. Item #1 of the Regular Agenda – the word “deleted” in the second paragraph should be “deleting”.
3. Warrant #13-03-A Checks #31283 - 31321
4. Payroll Report, February 21, 2013

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None



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## REGULAR AGENDA

### 1. Appointment of Ms. Debbie Schumacher to Zoning Board of Appeals

President Schneider moved to appoint Ms. Debbie Schumacher to serve as an alternate on the Zoning Board of Appeals through December 31, 2016, in accordance with Ordinance No. 159.18.

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Umphenour seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to ratify President Schneider's appointment of Ms. Schumacher to serve as an alternate on the Zoning Board of Appeals through December 31, 2016.

### 2. Resolution No. 13-03-01 – A Resolution Repealing Resolution No. 04-11-01

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to pass Resolution No. 13-03-01 as corrected, a resolution repealing Resolution No. 04-11-01 which pertains to Village elections.

#### ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Love, Peltier, Tobias, Umphenour, Dyke, Lauer, Schneider

Nays: None

Absent: None

### 3. DTE Energy Agreement to Reactivate Drakeshire Street Lights

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Dyke seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the Master Agreement for Municipal Street Lights from DTE Energy to reactive eleven street lights within the Drakeshire subdivision.

### 4. Ordinance No. 172.1 – Amendment to Animal Control Ordinance

It was the consensus of Council to hold the first reading of Ordinance No.172.1 which would amend Section 5 of Ordinance No. 172 pertaining to dog noise.

### 5. Ordinance No. 186 – International Property Maintenance Code

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to adopt Ordinance No. 186, being the *International Property Maintenance Code* of the Village of Almont, which would provide for the upkeep and maintenance of certain non-residential properties.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Dyke seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to authorize the Office of Building Official to serve as the Code Official responsible for enforcing Ordinance No. 186.



## **OPEN DISCUSSION**

### **1. Fiber Optic Application and Contract**

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED**, to approve the fiber optic application with the modifications set forth during discussion of the subject.

Ayes: Peltier, Tobias, Umphenour, Dyke, Lauer, Schneider  
Nays: Love  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

### **2. Air Advantage Fiber Optic Utilization Agreement**

It was the consensus of Council to have the Utilization Agreement redrafted according to the modifications set forth during discussion of the subject and sent to Air Advantage.

### **3. DDA Director's Report**

### **4. Purchase of Patrol Vehicle**

Chief Nael gave a presentation regarding his proposal to purchase a patrol vehicle.

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Lauer seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the purchase of the Chevy Tahoe in an amount not to exceed \$33,000, to return to Council if the purchase exceeds \$33,000, to accept the financing as proposed in the plan without the solicitation of additional bids, and to dispose of the two Ford vehicles as according to Chief Nael's proposal.

Council took a brief recess at 9:06 p.m. to sign agendas for the high school students in attendance and reconvened at 9:07 p.m.

### **5. Closed Session**

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 8 (c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, being Public Act 267 of 1976, to hold a strategy session connected to the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Tobias, Umphenour, Dyke, Lauer, Love, Peltier, Schneider  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

Council entered Closed Session at 9:08 p.m.

Council came out of Closed Session at 10:00 p.m.



**COUNCIL/MANAGER COMMENT:**

Councilmember Peltier indicated he only needed to book two more acts for Music in the Park.

Councilmember Dyke discussed the McNeven property (across from Charlie Brown's) and the condition of the building on the property. Council held discussion regarding this matter.

Village Manager Turner indicated Siemen's should have a quote for the tertiary system next week. He also indicated a waste water treatment employee may use his own fabricating skills and take advantage of the Village's gain-sharing program.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 10:09 p.m.

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Kimberly J. Keesler  
Clerk/Treasurer

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Steve Schneider  
President

Approved Date: March 19, 2013



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