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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  
Melinda Steffler  
Richard Tobias

**ALMONT VILLAGE COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 5, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Schneider called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present: Dyke, Lauer, Love, Steffler, Tobias, Schneider

Councilmembers Absent: Peltier

Staff Present: Village Manager Michael Deem  
Clerk/Treasurer Kimberly Keesler  
Police Chief Pat Nael (7:52)

Guests Present: 1 Citizen  
7 Students

**COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

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

1. Regular Meeting Minutes, October 21, 2014.
2. Warrant #14-11A, Gen Ck #33312-33350, Equip EFT #54
3. Payroll Report Ck #15837-15845, DD #1045-1064, EFT #96-97

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**1. Credit Card Payments**

Clerk/Treasurer Keesler presented information Council had requested regarding credit card information security. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to accept the proposal to use Point & Pay for credit card payment processing and to use the 3% convenience fee for all transactions.



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## **2. Resolution #14-11-01 PA 152 Compliance**

Manager Deem explained Public Act 152 and its requirements. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Dyke seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to adopt Resolution No. 14-11-01, a resolution of the Village of Almont that elects to comply with the provisions of Public Act 152 of 2011 by exercising the Village's right to exempt itself from the requirements of the act for the next immediate medical plan year.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Tobias, Dyke, Lauer, Love, Steffler, Schneider

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Peltier

## **3. Creation of Bank Account for Bond Debt**

Clerk/Treasurer Keesler explained that part of the pump station bond agreement, the Village is required to have a separate bank account for the bond proceeds. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to open a new bank account at Tri-County Bank for the purpose of depositing the bond proceeds for the pump station per the bond agreement.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Dyke seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to authorize President Schneider, Manager Deem, Clerk/Treasurer Keesler, and Utility Billing Clerk Cimaroli as authorized signors on the new bank account.

## **4. Quarterly Budget Amendments**

Clerk/Treasurer Keesler presented Council with proposed first quarter budget amendments. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Steffler seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the first quarter budget amendments as presented.

### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

#### **1. Office Closing – December 26, 2014 and January 2, 2015**

Mr. Deem explained past practice of closing the Village office on a Friday if a holiday falls on a Thursday, with a condition that the employees use a vacation day.

It was the consensus of Council to close Village offices on Friday, December 26, 2014 and Friday, January 2, 2015 provided the employees use a vacation day.

### **COUNCIL/MANAGER COMMENT**

Clerk/Treasurer Keesler congratulated Mr. Schneider, Ms. Steffler, Mr. Peltier, and Mr. Lauer on winning the election.

Councilmember Love congratulated the incumbents.



Councilmember Dyke congratulated the council members.

Councilmember Tobias welcomed everyone back.

Councilmember Lauer thanked everyone and congratulated the other councilmembers who won. He also noted the light at the front of the Howland Road lift station was out (over the door) and the flood lights on the back of the structure were pointing toward the street. Council requested Manager Deem to investigate.

Manager Deem informed Council the Village received grant funds from the Lapeer County Community Foundation in the amount of \$995. Partners in Architecture have been at the school gathering data and were in the Village offices today taking measurements and photos. They will soon start the staff interviews and are hoping to have a public input meeting some time during the second week in December.

President Schneider congratulated the council members who were victorious and appreciated the faith that the residents have in the current Council.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

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Kimberly J. Keesler  
Clerk/Treasurer

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Steve Schneider  
President

Approved Date: November 18, 2014, as corrected



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