

**VILLAGE OF ALTAMONT**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
October 2, 2018

Mayor Kerry Dineen  
Trustee Nicholas Fahrenkopf  
Trustee Michelle Ganance  
Trustee John Scally  
Trustee Dean Whalen

Patty Blackwood, Clerk  
Catherine Hasbrouck, Treasurer  
Jeffrey Moller, Supt. of Public Works  
Paul Miller, Altamont Fire Chief  
Todd Pucci, Altamont Police Chief  
Justin Heller, Legal Counsel

General Public: 14

7:00 p.m.

Mayor Dineen called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Dineen reported the Village Board is working with the engineers regarding the façade of Village Hall, working with Albany County regarding a shared services plan, working on an LED street lighting plan, and has formed a committee to meet monthly regarding the review of the Village's Zoning Code.

Paul Miller, Chief Altamont Fire Dept., submitted a Chief's report for September. Copy of Chief's report included with Official Minutes.

Jeffrey Moller, Supt. of Public Works, reported hydrant flushing has begun and yard waste collection will begin in two weeks. Trustee Scally stated the sidewalk project on Grand Street is looking good. Mr. Moller stated the sidewalk project will be completed by the end of the month.

Trustee Scally made a motion seconded by Trustee Whalen to approve the Treasurer's report; Abstract #7 and #8 as submitted. **Roll Call: All in favor**

**Public Comment:**

Judi Dineen, Sunset Drive, reminded the public that Altamont Reformed Church offers free spaghetti dinners on the first Monday of the month. This month 108 people attended the event.

Beatrice Smith, Jay Street, expressed concern again on the upper section of Jay Street. Ms. Smith stated Mr. LaMountain's vegetation is still encroaching on the road and the garbage truck is still backing down Jay Street. Jeffrey Moller, Supt. of Public Works, stated they looked at the signage on the street and there is a bent one-way sign that they will replace. Mr. Moller stated he is going to contact a surveyor to determine where the Village right away is and also talk to Mr. LaMountain about trimming his vegetation. Mayor Dineen stated she will reach out to the local garbage truck company and discuss the traffic flow for Jay Street.

Ewan Scally, Prospect Terrace, stated he is excited about the butterfly houses in the parks.

Bridgett Scally, Prospect Terrace, stated she was at a different municipality that had outrageously bright LED street lighting. Mrs. Scally asked as the Village moves forward with the LED street lighting plan to be aware of how obnoxiously bright the lighting can be and what it could do to the enjoyment of walking through the Village on any fall evening. Mayor Dineen stated the Village is looking into the LED street lighting because eventually Nationalgrid will be looking at LED street lighting and the Village doesn't get a choice with them. The Village will save money by purchasing their own lights and in addition to that the Village gets choices on brightness and color. During the design phase, the lighting company will put different lights up throughout the Village and the Village will be asking for feedback on the lights from the public.

John Sands, Grand Street, stated he doesn't love the sidewalk project on Grand Street. Mr. Sands expressed concerns again of the speed limit on Grand Street, Altamont Fair traffic on Grand Street, blacktop repair needed for Helderberg Avenue, cars speeding on Helderberg Avenue, noise ordinance for the Village, and mailboxes throughout the Village. Mr. Sands asked if anyone has ever inquired about a dog park. Mayor Dineen stated people have inquired about a dog park in the past and the residents are talking about forming a committee. Mr. Sands stated he would be willing to help with the dog park.

Kate Provencher, Thatcher Drive, thanked the Village Board members for all the work they do. The Board is part-time but she knows that a lot of extra work is done.

Ben Drzymala, Life Scout, gave a brief presentation on his Eagle Scout project to construct bird/butterfly houses to be placed in various locations around the Village.

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Scally to approve for Ben Drzymala, Life Scout, to construct 8-10 bird/butterfly houses to be placed in various parks around the Village of Altamont as part of his Eagle Scout project. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Ganance to approve authorizing Jeffrey Moller, Supt. of Public Works, to move forward with termination of water service on October 9, 2018, if payment is not received from the following delinquent non-residents: Joel Dowling, 933 Altamont Voorheesville Road; and Steven & Susan Spaccarelli, 6407 Gun Club Road. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Fahrenkopf made a motion seconded by Trustee Scally to approve of application from Dorothy Ernest, Altamont, for Driver and Fire Police in the Altamont Fire Department per request of Paul Miller, Chief. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Ganance made a motion seconded by Trustee Fahrenkopf to approve Altamont Fire Department's participation in the following events: Albany County Volunteer Firemen's Association Inspection Day on October 6<sup>th</sup> at Fort Hunter Fire Department and Fire Prevention Open House on October 7<sup>th</sup>. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Scally to approve of Board Minutes for September 5, 2018. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Fahrenkopf stated the Altamont Fire Department will be holding Fire Prevention Open House on Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Mayor Dineen welcomed Trustee Ganance to her first Village Board meeting.

Trustee Fahrenkopf made a motion seconded by Trustee Scally to adjourn at 7:40 p.m.  
**All in favor**

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Blackwood  
Clerk