

Town of Alfred
Budget Committee Minutes
Monday March 4, 2019

Meeting open at 5:30 p.m. Members present were Ken Gerry, Joe Olszewski, Lee Steele, Jon DeFrance, Harold Metcalfe, Dennis Brewster & Fred Holt. No members of the public were present.

Steven Dochtermann, scheduled for 5:30 to discuss the transfer station operations, did not show.

The minutes from February 25th were reviewed. Motion by Metcalfe, seconded by Steele to approve as written. Vote carried 7-0-0-0.

The attendance at the Alfred Festival was discussed. Comments were made that it appeared last year the attendance was down. Given that it is an outdoor event, the weather effects attendance and there are also several other Festivals/Fairs on the same weekend. It was suggested that the Festival Committee should look into attracting sponsorships for events during the Festival.

The combing of the two Cemetery articles into one was discussed. Each article was separately voted on and Holt will do some research into combining the articles.

The Towns' liability during the fertilizing and grub control applications in the Field Care/New Tree Program article was discussed. The company that will potentially be doing the applications has indicated that they post signs around the areas worked on, stating that people and animals should stay off the areas for 24 hours, therefore the Town should not have any liability.

Solid Waste request is up due to a new contract for hauling and disposal of materials, and a need for a new heating system in the compactor building. A major increase in the hauling/disposal of materials is the lack of a market to dispose of the Zero-Sort recyclables. As of November 2018 we are being charged to dispose of the recycled materials. Discussion took place as to continuing to recycle using the Zero-Sort compactor or disposing of the materials in the MSW compactor and eliminate or substantially reduce the recycling program.

The following requests were discussed individually and voted on.

<u>Article</u>	<u>Request</u>	<u>Motion</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Solid Waste	160,330.00	Steele 160,330.00	DeFrance	6-1-0-0
Alfred Festival	7,450.00	Steele 7,450.00	Metcalfe	7-0-0-0
Outlying Cemeteries & Mowing	2,680.00	Steele 2,680.00	DeFrance	7-0-0-0
Parish Cemetery	3,500.00	Steele 3,500.00	DeFrance	7-0-0-0
Parks & Recreation	13,778.00	Steele 13,778.00	DeFrance	7-0-0-0
Field Care/New Tree Program	2,855.00	Metcalfe 2,855.00	Olszewski	7-0-0-0
Shaker Valley Sno-Travelers	860.00	Steele 860.00	Gerry	7-0-0-0
Brothers Beach	1,000.00	Metcalfe 1,000.00	Gerry	7-0-0-0

Next meeting Monday March 11^h 5:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.