

“Whiskey’s for drinkin’ — Water’s for fightin’”

— Mark Twain

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FACT. Alden Town Board has posted three different annual tax costs for all property owners in WD#5: (\$5.51/m of assessed value; \$6.52/m; and \$8.01/m.)*

Q: Which one is right?

A: If the issue passes, you may be obligated to pay as much as \$8.01/m, even though the “calculator” on their website told you your property would be charged at \$6.52/m !!! (“Bait & switch” is illegal in retail; it should be illegal in politics, too.) The real cost won’t be learned unless voters approve. If government money does not arrive, we’ll pay top dollar. Beware!

* Visit AldenWatchDog.com for project’s district-wide details.

FACT. The Town could arrange up to \$11,000 per parcel for well improvement grants from USDA, instead of inflicting 38 years of taxes (amounting to \$1000+/year for many owners, many who need no water). But the money runs out May 31st; and we haven’t even applied yet.

FACT. “Lake Erie is on it’s way to being a dead lake again.” -Dr Margaret Wooster, Great Lakes United. **FACT.** The Great Lakes contain 43 toxic hotspots, and 11 major toxins. **FACT.** Raw sewage is routinely discharged into Lake Erie during storm surges. Yet government assures us

the water is safe and wholesome. Scripture asks “Does a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter?”

-James 3:11

FACT. An account of falsification of e.coli detection at an elementary school, by Erie County Water Authority, was reported by Artvoice, March 15, 2007. (Can government be trusted?)

FACT. Homes with higher property-tax burdens are harder to sell.

YOU DECIDE:

Alden property owners (only) are allowed to **vote on the facts**, Tuesday, April 7, 9am-8pm (Bring photo i-d.)

Your address _____ Maximum annual water tax \$ _____