

## VILLAGE OF PALMYRA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING

2-3-92

7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT;** Mayor James G. Elliott, Trustee/Deputy Mayor Daniel Pope, III, Trustees Thomas N. Lynch, C. D. Gilmore, and Daniel E. Wooden who arrived shortly after the meeting opened. Also in attendance were Chief of Police D. Dalton and Highway Superintendent, Phil Retan and a number of citizens.

**CALL TO ORDER;** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Elliott at 7:08 p.m.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE;** A moment of silence was held for George L. "BUD" Abbott who passed away on Sunday, February 2, 1992. "BUD" was a former Village of Palmyra Trustee, a former Village of Palmyra business man, and former member of the Wayne County Sheriff Department. He will be missed.

**MINUTES OF 1-20-92:** A motion was made by Trustee Lynch to table the minutes until the next meeting for corrections. Seconded by Trustee Gilmore, 4 ayes, CARRIED.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT;** Next Board Meeting will be February 18, 1992, Tuesday, Highway Superintendent, Phil Retan, and Water & Wastewater Superintendent, Harold Kruger, will attend.

**CANANDAIGUA LAKE TASK FORCE:** George Barden an inspector for the Task Force says that the Task Force and Watershed are working together and will put on a 1-1/2 hr. program consisting of the following:

(1) review, (2) concept, (3) rules and management, (4) navigation law, (5) water resource and (6) water sampling. They will present this program to us. Mayor Elliott noted that he would like to invite the Town of Palmyra especially Dave Lyon, Supervisor, at an agreeable time and place. Possible date 2-13-92, Thursday night.

**EAST FOSTER STREET DRAINAGE:** Nothing new.

**NOISE ORDINANCE:** Mayor Elliott and Chief Dalton will get copies of ordinances from other Villages and ask other area Police Departments how they handle noise problems.

**ELECTION COMMISSIONERS, MR. LEO JENKINS, REPUBLICAN REP. AND DR. M. ELZUFON, DEMOCRATIC REP.:** These gentlemen explained the advantages of having the Wayne County Board of Elections conduct the election which are: (1) The caucuses are standardized, (2) the election is all laid out a head of time, (3) standardize machines in one location, (4) the Village would still do the elections under the guidance of the County, and (5) will take the pressure off the Village Clerk.

Mayor Elliott asked about someone only voting in the Village election being able to continue to vote in the Village election if the County takes care of the registration. This referred to the voting every two year rule to continue to stay on the county rolls. It was explained that people who fall within this category would still be able to vote in the Village election, however, they would have to re-register. It was noted that the Village Clerk would still recommend inspectors and do some of the advertising in the newspaper. There would be no extra cost to the VOP but the normal charges for newspaper articles, voting strips, and payment of inspectors and custodians. May see a savings in a few years, however, not at first.

It was noted by Dr. Elzufon that we are loosing interest by young voters. It appears to be a 6-1 ratio, 600 registered and about 100 voting.

Mr. W. Heckman, Chairman of the Democratic Party, asked what other villages have gone with the County? The response was

Newark, Sodus, Sodus Point. L. Jenkins noted that the VB and the Village Clerk would be kept informed. Also the redistricting is mandated by the State, however, it would not be done arbitrarily but with both the Town of Palmyra and the Village of Palmyra involved.

Someday the County may be required to do all elections, per Dr. Elzufon, even the school and fire. There would also be no Village Registration and voters must be registered with the County.

Mayor Elliott thanked Dr. Elzufon and Mr. L. Jenkins for coming. Dr. Elzufon stated that Shirley Cooney would send the VOP a copy of the proper resolution for this change in election procedures. This change would not be effective at this election.

Mr. William Heckman mentioned that it is hard to get dedicated inspectors from either party and that perhaps a pay raise from \$4.59 to \$5/hr. may be in order. Deputy Mayor Pope suggested that a division of \$45 for registration and \$50 for election day. Discussion ended on this point.

COCA COLA MACHINE: Brief discussion was held on whether or not to get a COCA COLA machine for the Village Hall to be used by the employees. It was determined that this was not something the Board would rule on.

SARA GRANT: Mayor Elliott noted that the 19 page application has been sent out with approximately \$6,900 in assistance requested.

COMPUTER UPDATE: Mayor Elliott noted that this is a budget line item for this year. Deputy Mayor Pope spoke to Donegan's R. McMaster who indicated that the UNISYS is the best he has seen. Trustee Lynch suggested that the VB wait and see if we really can purchase this after we look at the final budget figures. Deputy Mayor Pope noted that the new printer has really helped.

MUNICIPAL AUCTION: Mayor Elliott noted that he had received information on the Town Auction which will be held on May 16, 1992. A list from the departments of the things going to be auctioned off should be sent prior to April 16, 1992.

TKE BARREL RUN FROM SUNY AT BUFFALO TO RENSSELAER: On April 5, 1992, Sunday, the TKE would like the Village's permission to use Route 31 through the Village of Palmyra to run their barrel race. A motion was made by Mayor Elliott to escort the TKE barrel roll Village line to Village line. Amended to read per Deputy Mayor Pope, from townline to townline should the Wayne Cty Sheriff be unable to provide necessary protection, at the Chief's discretion for scheduling and manpower and location. It was noted, the intention was not to put a man on special. Motion seconded by Trustee Gilmore, 5 ayes, CARRIED.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPLACEMENT: Chief Dalton reported that since J.C. Hall left, there has been much activity from prospective applicants. However, Chief Dalton has been telling them there is no opening at the present time. The Chief noted that there have been some good people interested and some are already trained and ready to go. It was noted that a new Civil Service list would be coming out momentarily, and those that have not taken the Civil Service test in December would not be on the list. The Chief suggested that any applicants that have not taken the Civil Service test need not apply until they have done so.

Chief Dalton suggests that there be a residency requirement for applicants. If we can get someone from the area, we will be better off. It was noted by Mayor Elliott that once someone is hired the VOP cannot require them to live in the area.

Chief Dalton noted that he has some rescheduling ideas to cover the gaps which he would be happy to discuss with the Board at another time. He cannot make up the total loss of the 40 hour

here. Just this week alone there were two serious assaults and a threat with a shot gun, stated Chief Dalton. Chief Dalton will submit a schedule to the Police Commissioner for his approval. Trustee Lynch noted that he would like to assist and offer some input.

A motion was made by Mayor Elliott to request the Civil Service list and lateral transfers, modified to read, with the idea that if we decide to do something then we are not waiting on a list if we make a decision we have the information available to us at that point. Deputy Mayor Pope seconded the motion, 5 ayes, CARRIED.

#### TRUSTEE LYNCH REPORTS:

PARKING ON MAIN STREET: Trustee Lynch noted that there is already a 20' from corner law. Trustee Lynch suggests that there be advertisements in the paper asking that people pull in their driveways and park away from the corners. Highway Super., Phil Retan, noted that he thought the law required 30' instead of 20', and he will check on this. Deputy Mayor Pope noted that the worst spot on Main Street was the intersection at Fayette and said that there is always a vehicle parked illegally there.

OLD CREAMERY: Mayor Elliott noted that there was a possible purchaser for the Mogavero property on East Main Street. The prospective purchaser would ask to also purchase some of the land directly behind the creamery from the VOP. The Mayor stated that the prospective buyer may be coming forth with a offer to the VOP for that plot of land. It was also noted that all we need is access to the sewer and water pipes on that land.

MRS. WEST'S LIGHT: Trustee Lynch noted that Roger Weaver looked into this with the NYSEG and the cost per year would be \$135, if the NYSEG puts in the light. If the VOP puts in the light and pole then the cost would be \$65/year. Trustee Lynch noted that he would like to light up that corner of the park and his suggestion would be to let R. Weaver find the most suitable way to do it.

TRASH RECEPTICLES: They need one more coat of sealer before they can be put on the street, stated Trustee Lynch.

CREMATION BOXES: Trustee Lynch noted that Roger Weaver will be presenting pros and cons of the boxes vs cardboard or plastic when he gives his Dept. Head report.

ROGER WEAVER FULL TIME: A motion was made by Trustee Lynch to take Roger Weaver back full time with the restriction he is not to lift over 50 lbs. Mayor Elliott seconded, 5 ayes, CARRIED.

Trustee Lynch is also going to check on the other doctor reports.

TRUSTEE GILMORE REPORTS: KENT STREET: There has been nothing further to recommend the change in zoning. This issue is back to the Planning Board for recommendation. Mayor Elliott noted that a tax search has been done on Mr. & Mrs. Engert's property, indicating they may have been approved for their mortgage request.

FEE SCHEDULE: Worked on sections B and C no motions made at this time, however, many items were reviewed and agreed upon.

TRUSTEE/DEPUTY MAYOR POPE REPORTS: CALCULATING THE SEPARATION FOR WATER SALES: Deputy Mayor Pope noted that Attorney Nesbitt was working on this.

ABSTRACT #18: Deputy Mayor Pope moved ABSTRACT #18 -- Authorization for the Village Treasurer to pay all invoices on which appear initials of at least three VB members. VOUCHER NOS. 411 and 752 through 791 totalling \$30,188.78, seconded by Trustee Gilmore, 5 ayes, CARRIED.

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RACCOON TRAPPER ELDREDGE: Mr. Eldredge wanted an increase in his fee from \$4 per raccoon to \$5 per raccoon. Trustee Wooden will be checking with someone local to see if they are interested in the job. This item is postponed until the next meeting.

PURCHASING MEMO: Deputy Mayor Pope referred to the memo on purchasing dated 2-22-91 and stated that this resolution had expired at the end of last budget year. Deputy Mayor Pope noted that he saw no reason to set limits on the department heads. Trustee Gilmore suggested that the Trustee-in-Charge be the first to approve the purchase. Deputy Mayor Pope moved that any purchase over \$500 or more requires approval of the Mayor or Trustee in charge and two (2) other Trustees' signatures, seconded by Trustee Gilmore, 5 ayes, CARRIED.

TRUSTEE WOODEN REPORTS: HANDICAP RAMP: Highway Super. noted that they should start to dig April 1, 1992. The project would take 7-10 days.

VILLAGE HALL BOILER: Trustee Wooden noted that the wires and valves not needed on the boiler were removed and the night thermostate that had never been hooked up was hooked up. All is working well at this time.

CONTRACTS: Trustee Wooden noted that the Town Court lease, the Garlock Water, and the Hill Cumorah Water contracts are being worked on.

REPAIR TO SQUAD TRUCK AT FIRE DEPT.: Trustee Gilmore reported that the underside of the truck was badly rusted out and that it was worse then had been expected. J. Winston got some steel plates cut and bent and the metal pieces are being installed. The men are doing a lot of work and putting their own time and effort into this project and each man should be commended.

REGISTRATION DAY: Motion dated 12-16-91 Village Election Registration Day, Voter Registration Day on Saturday, March 7th, from noon to 5:00 p.m. to be held at the VOP Park & Club Rooms was amended by Deputy Mayor Pope to read Voter Registration Day on Saturday, March 7th, from noon to 9:00 p.m. at the Park and Club Rooms. Motion was seconded by Trustee Gilmore, 5 ayes, CARRIED.

MACHINE CUSTODIANS: Mayor Elliott move to appoint machine custodians for the coming Village Election March 17, 1992, to be Mr. Ellsworth Bedette and Mr. Frederick Trowbridge with payment set at a total of \$150 each for their services. Seconded by Trustee Lynch, 4 ayes, CARRIED. Note: Trustee Gilmore was out of the room at the time of vote.

VOTING INSPECTORS: Mayor Elliott moved that appointments for the Village Election Inspectors be as followed DEMOCRATIC Mrs. S. Smith, Mrs. A. Curran, and Mrs. V. Walton Alternate/Clerk. REPUBLICAN Mrs. Gladys Batterby, Chairperson, Mrs. E. McKean, and Mr. R. Kirchoff, Alternate/Clerk. Payment is set for each person at \$45 for working at registration and \$50 for each person working at the election. Motion seconded by Deputy Mayor Pope, vote 5 ayes, CARRIED.

CITIZEN DE NEEF: Mrs. DeNeef inquired about the assessment of a new house not being at their value and that compared to her house across Stafford Street which was much older there was only about \$1,000 difference.

Mr. Roney, C.E.O., noted that the Town of Palmyra will be doing a new assessment in the Town of Palmyra.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Mayor Elliott to go into executive session for reasons of personnel and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pope, 5 ayes, CARRIED. Time 10:15 p.m.

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Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Pope to adjourn from executive session at 10:45 p.m. seconded by Trustee Gilmore, 5 ayes, CARRIED.

Motion was made by Mayor Elliott to adjourn the Board Meeting at 10:47 p.m. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Pope, 5 ayes, CARRIED.

Next meeting is Tuesday, February 18, 1992, at 7:00 p.m.

*Bonnie Hays*  
Respectfully submitted  
Bonnie J. Hays, Village Clerk

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