

VILLAGE OF PALMYRA - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting

2/4/91

7:00 p.m.

Present: James G. Elliott, Mayor; Trustees Charles D. Gilmore, Daniel S. Pope III and Thomas N. Lynch. Trustee Daniel E. Wooden arrived at 8:45 p.m. (during Exec. Sess.). Absent due to vacation - Village Attorney, John B. Nesbitt, Esq.

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Call to Order: Mayor Elliott called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

American Legion: Messrs. Peter Campbell and Robert Marr, American Legion members, approached the Bd. to request assistance with the purchase of Flags which are placed on the utility poles during special events - the 3' x 5' Flags become faded and tattered from the elements and some removed by persons unknown (Flags were placed in the "Church block" shortly after Desert Storm began in the Persian Gulf). Commander Campbell stated that the Legion would like to line Main St. from the four churches east to the Garlock House. He added that they would like to see Flags placed before Memorial Day and remain through Canaltown Days; two sets of Flags ideal - could be purchased for \$20. ea. and need for fifty (50) exists. The Bd. felt they could fund some of the money for Flags and Trustee Lynch, along with W&WW Supt., H. Kruger, said they would approach the Rotary and Lions Clubs for donations - other donations welcome from organizations or individuals.

G. Scouts Re Camping: Mrs. Jackie Hackett, co-leader of Girl Scout Troop #298, which consists of twenty-two (22) members, approached the Bd. regarding using the downstairs Park & Club Rooms for an "overnight camp-in" due to the unavailability and prohibitive cost of scouting camps - perhaps two (2) times. A few young ladies stood before the Bd. and respectfully requested the rooms and pledged to observe the rules imposed there. The Bd. agreed to the rooms' use.

Mrs. Hackett stated that some work had begun on the Rogers' Memorial Chapel in the Cemetery; scaffolding had been donated. Mrs. Hackett related that among the Scouts' activities, the Girl Scouts received enough donations for 200 packages to be sent to troops in Saudi, Arabia - via the Seneca Army Depot.

Minutes 1/7/91: Trustee Lynch moved that the Village Bd. accept the 1/7/91 Minutes as written; Trustee Pope seconded. Voting "aye" were Trustees Lynch, Pope & Mayor Elliott. Trustee Gilmore abstained (having been absent from said meeting). Carried by majority.

Minutes 1/21/91: The Bd. mtg. Minutes of 1/21/91 were accepted as moved by Trustee Gilmore with the following correction - Pg. 2 re Hwy. truck repair. The truck broke down 'near Leonardo's' in Macedon - repair work was done at Syracuse Supply. Mayor Elliott seconded. Voting "aye" were Trustees Gilmore, Pope & Lynch - Mayor abstained as he had not reviewed same. Carried by majority.

Trustee Pope: Trustee Pope stated that he had left instructions to the Treasurer to distribute budget requests (projections for one year) and the return of same by 2/8/91. As Budget Officer, he said that an estimate of fund balance needed.

Trustee Gilmore: Trustee Gilmore, speaking of the request by Messrs. R. LaRose & M. Crane to sponsor a tent on Cuyler St.

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during CTDays, said that the Fire Dept. had reported the requested area not an acceptable area due to inaccessibility for fire trucks and placement of fire hydrant. Safety concern, he said. Mayor said they had asked if space could be rented in area of Flea Market (between Village Hall/Marine Mid), for which Trustee & Mrs. Lynch are responsible. Re-referred to CTDays Chrman., G. Kelly. Mr. Lynch sd. that G. Kelly would prefer parking lot of former First Fed., however, said property for sale (owned by Mr. M. Colacino who resides in Fla.). Mayor said First Fed. still rents (lease not up).

Trustee
Lynch:

Trustee Lynch reported that C&P Supt. informed him of a crack in arch at Cemetery entrance (off Vienna St.) - three contacts made - one said not a serious problem; other two felt crack should be repaired. He spoke of Supt. using epoxy. Some of tree lights on downtown trees on ground (Christmas lts.) Determination to be made whether to remove - good week to accomplish weather-wise.

Right-to
Know:

Mayor Elliott reminded those present that WC Civil Service personnel would be presenting a seminar at the Firehall, 9:00 a.m. Tues., 2/5/91 re the "Right-to-Know Law" - all Village and Town employees to attend.

Abstract
#17:

Trustee Pope moved that the Treasurer be authorized to pay **Voucher Nos. 832-859** in the amount of **\$30,769.22**; and **Voucher No. 1** (from 1/21/91) in the amount of **\$250.**; **Total - \$31,019.22.**, on which appear the initials of at least three (3) Board members. Trustee Gilmore seconded. Voting "aye" were Trustees Pope, Gilmore and Lynch. Carried. (Mayor did not vote; Trustee Wooden had not arrived.)

Trustee Pope said he had received a note regarding a correction to **Abstract #16**; would look into, he said.

DAR Pro-
clamation:

Mayor Elliott acknowledged communication, received on 1/23/91, from Mrs. Winifred Barnes of the Daughters of the American Revolution in which she requested that the Mayor of the Village of Palmyra proclaim February as "American History Month" ; the Mayor was happy to oblige and read the following Proclamation:

PROCLAMATION

"WHEREAS, the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution and the Col. Wm. Prescott Chapter DAR sponsors February as American History Month each year; and

WHEREAS, to stimulates a knowledge in both young and old and a sense of pride in our Nation'[s great achievements and dedication to liberty; and

WHEREAS, to stress pride in the United States of America through community services in educational programs, essay contests and historic tours; and

WHEREAS, through the study of American History you are we made aware of the importance of Freedom, Equality, Justice and Humanity in all our lives today; and

WHEREAS, the importance of remembering American History should be duly noted,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James G. Elliott, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Village of

Palmyra, Palmyra, New York, do hereby proclaim the month of February, 1991, to be **AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH** in Palmyra and urge all Village of Palmyra residents to join with me this month in recognizing the importance of American History in our lives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 4th day of February, 1991.".....signed
James G. Elliott.

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Trash

Disposal:

Mayor said a senior citizen had approached him re prohibitive cost of trash pick-up and those living alone who have small amount - Mayor told that some villages (Macedon is one) have a collection spot where senior citizens may take their small amounts on Sat. mornings. Bd. discussed - Mayor to contact area trash collectors. Mayor also said he was informed during Wayne-CAP meeting that a company at other end of Cty. gives a discount to S.C.'s.

Waterwrks.

Conf.:

Trustee Pope moved that W&WW Supt. H. Kruger & Wtr. Operator C. Timerson be authorized to attend the Fingerlakes Waterwrks. Conference at The Farm on the following Thurs. Trustee Gilmore seconded; voting was unanimously in favor. Carried.

Misc.:

Mayor said nothing to report on Cable T.V. - nor the proposed Handicapped Ramp. Re "Comp Time," Mayor said further attempt made to contact the Rochester office (to no avail); considering writing to office in Buffalo.

Drainage:

Re drainage problem (on E. Foster) Mayor Elliott said that no time set up with "Soil" and asked Trustee Gilmore about a topographical map. Mayor Elliott asked the Bd. if a meeting could be staged among the Bd. and concerned residents to discuss the drainage problem. Various dates mentioned but no date set, however, Bd. agreed that a night-time meeting would be better. As the Bd. involved in several projects - budget meetings, Union contract negotiations, etc., a time was not set for aforementioned meeting. Area resident, Mr. R. VanHout, made comments about how and when drainage became more of a problem, i.e. when Mr. S. Venturino dug. Clark's will have to open up, he said - one way or another. Mr. V. mentioned moving boundary line 15 or 20' in. Mention made by a resident that residents can be 'made' to keep ditch clean/open. Mr. VH asked status of old Palmyra Creamery building - dangerous - kids climbing on roof, etc. CEO J. Roney put owner on notice that building had to be secured or Village would demolish. Mr. Roney explained the procedure as contained in the Ordinance such as official notification to owner - going to Court next step. Village puts money 'up front' and charge to taxes. Trustee Lynch suggested asking P.D. to 'police'. Mr. H. Kruger asked about sign placement, "No Trespassing." Not effective per those present. Mayor said could not be done under 'condemnation' unless Village has legal, useful purpose for same....bonafide use for property. Trustee Lynch meant 'taking' rather than 'condemnation'. Mr. Roney said finding time to do paperwork a problem due to other commitments, Assessment Roll, etc.

Short discussion on property which burned on E. Main St. ("Shook" house next to M/M B. Smith) - Mr. Roney said company that held mortgage had foreclosed... received report from insurance adjuster that Village Fire Chief had said that the building could not be salvaged. Mortgage company assured Mr. Roney they

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would inform him 'by end of week' when house would be torn down - trying to negotiate now to find who would tear down for least amount of money...they are committed to tearing it down, per Mr. Roney. Mr. VH asked about a 'bond' re demolition - Mr. Roney spoke of a 'Workmen's Compensation Bond' - 'Performance Bond' up to Village Attorney, per Mr. Roney. Village already has agreement with owner. Messrs. H. Kruger and P. Retan said that Village should be notified prior to demolition re capping sewer main, etc. Mayor agreed - and suggested that pre-demolition work re utilities should be accomplished under W&WW Supt.'s supervision and responsibility. Cost of same should be charged back to demolition costs. Mr. Roney said it could be done when contractor applies for demolition permit. Mayor said Village should be notified in advance - owner's responsibility to do so. Mr. Kruger showed concern for Village's costs in above regard.

Proposed Local Law re "Home-Based Occupations" to become LL#1, 1991, rather than LL#3, 1990, when and if adopted. Also, changes in "Flood Ordinance" and resolution requested by DEC to be addressed at next Bd. meeting when Village Atty. present.

Grievance

Day:

Mayor reiterated Grievance Day hours on Tues., 2/19/91 from 4-6 p.m. (Mayor and Trustee Pope to preside with Assessor J. Roney); and 7-9 p.m. (conducted during Village Board meeting at which time any/all Bd. members may participate).

Exec.

Sess.:

At 8:10 p.m. Mayor Elliott moved that the Bd. exercise Exec. Sess. for "Legal matters" to include the Bd. and W&WW Supt., H. Kruger for a portion of Exec. Sess. Trustee Pope seconded. Voting was unanimously in favor/carried. Trustee Wooden, having had a prior commitment, arrived during Exec. Sess.

Reconvene:

At 10:02 p.m. Trustee Gilmore moved that the Bd. emerge from Exec. Sess.; Mayor Elliott seconded. Voting was unanimously in favor; carried.

Adjourn-
ment:

At 10:04 p.m. Trustee Gilmore moved Bd. mtg. adjournment; Trustee Lynch seconded. Voting was unanimously in favor; carried.

Ethel B. Johnson, Clerk