

VILLAGE OF PALMYRA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
March 15, 2021 6:00 PM
PUBLIC HEARING and REGULAR MEETING

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Husk, Trustees Luke, Nolan, Perry, and Warters. Attorney Williams was excused.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Husk opened the Public Hearing by reading the following, which had been published in the Wayne County Times on March 7.

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
VILLAGE OF PALMYRA

The Village of Palmyra will hold a public hearing (in conjunction with the regular board meeting) on Monday, March 15, 2021 at 6:00 pm. The hearing will be held in the Trustee's Room of the Village Hall, 144 East Main Street, Palmyra, Wayne County, New York.

The hearing is for the purpose of allowing the Village residents to provide the Board of Trustees written or oral comments or ask questions on the Police Reform and Reinvention Plan, New York State Executive Order 203.

A copy of the Police Reform and Reinvention Plan will be on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Village Clerk during normal office hours and online at www.palmyrany.com

Rebecca Wetherby
Village Clerk-Treasurer

The Public Hearing was held via Zoom and in person where there were two attendees in person and nine on Zoom. Chief Smith opened the floor for any questions or comments Andrew Correia, Ashley Seager-Cecchini, Lisa Galardi, Scott Comegys all spoke to the attendees regarding their thoughts on the plan.

Chief Smith let everyone know that the Village is starting a new website. The Police Reform and Reinvention Plan, General Orders, survey results and a way to contact the Chief directly will be available once it is live. Also, to follow the Village of Palmyra on Facebook so the residents can be up to date on any news. Chief Smith reminded everyone that this is a living document, and the department will be continually evolving.

Motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Luke. Votes, 4 ayes. CARRIED. Public Hearing was closed at 6:52pm

REGULAR MEETING began at 6:58 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Luke to approve the minutes from March 1, 2021. Vote, 3 ayes. Nolan and Warters abstain. CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT: Motion was made by Trustee Warters, seconded by Trustee Perry to approve payment of ABSTRACT 10B, vouchers 21-00896 through 21-00920 in the amount of \$6305.86. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION

- Hill Cumorah Pageant has been cancelled.
- Board given Statement of Revenue and Expenditures (as of 3/10/21), Reserve and Capital Project balances

TRUSTEE REPORTS

- **Trustee Luke-** Update on Canal trail, dock and terminal wall: US Army Corp of Engineers has been communicating with Patrick Nicoletta from MRB, Trustees Luke and Nolan on questions regarding the project. NYS Canal Corp received the letter of permission from US Army Corp of Engineers. A Health and Safety plan needs to be completed. Michael Boesel, Highway Superintendent, and P. Nicoletta will be meeting next week to work on the plan.
- **Trustee Nolan** – Monthly water/sewer operating report. On file in the Village Clerk's office.

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- **Trustee Perry**- No report
- **Trustee Wartens** – No report
- **Attorney Williams** - Excused
- **Mayor Husk**- Town and Village Federal stimulus money amounts printed in the Wayne County Times are only projected numbers. The Village has no guarantee of how much stimulus money we will be getting, if any. Mayor Husk spoke to Rick House, County Administrator, earlier today to discuss this issue.

MOTION TO APPROVE SEWER CREDIT REQUEST: for Harold Spencer at 434 West Main due to outside water being left on and not returned to the sewer. Mr. Spencer's current bill is 120 hundred cubic feet. His average is 55 hundred cubic feet. The difference would be 65 hundred cubic feet multiplied by \$1.50 per hundred cubic feet = \$97.50 sewer credit. Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Nolan. Votes, 4 ayes. CARRIED

ROBERT UPDIKE- update on his house and the water main easement as it had been almost a year since he has been before the Board. His house is on top of a Village of Palmyra water pipe located in Canandaigua. R. Updike has a draft from a site engineer to find a location on his property that he will be able to get passed by the City of Canandaigua with some variances. R. Updike will be moving forward on this project as his lawyer is working on the addendum to the easement and will send it to A. Williams.

STEVEN VENTURINO- update regarding issues with his ditch. He had an accident and is hoping something can be done. Mayor Husk explained that we already have a list of projects in the works. Sometime in the future, Mayor Husk is hoping to meet with M. Boesel, S. Venturino and Deputy Mayor Perry to get down a permanent plan of what we can do, how we can move forward, and the cost involved. S. Venturino and his neighbors feel that it is a safety issue with having the five foot ditches. S. Venturino wanted to know if there is a temporary fix that Highway can do to help in the meantime. Mayor Husk will check with M. Boesel regarding this.

MOTION TO APPROVE REFUND for Cynthia Showman for her portion of the Excellus premium from February 18- 28 as her husband passed away February 17. Their monthly portion was \$683.75 per month which is \$24.42 per day multiplied by 11 days= \$268.62 refund. This refund will be paid from the BCBS Employee Fund from which it was deposited. Motion was made by Trustee Nolan seconded by Trustee Luke Votes, 4 ayes. CARRIED

MOTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT FOR NEW POSTAGE MACHINE: This is an updated machine that will save the Village roughly \$50 per month. Motion was made by Trustee Luke, seconded by Trustee Nolan. Votes, 4 ayes. CARRIED

MOTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING for the 2021-2022 Village of Palmyra Budget on Monday, April 5 at 6:00pm. Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Wartens. Votes, 4 ayes. CARRIED. A legal notice will appear with this information in the March 28th Times of Wayne County as well the Facebook page and www.palmyrany.com

MOTION TO APPROVE POLICE REFORM AND REINVENTION PLAN to follow Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 203.

RESOLUTION NYS POLICE REFORM AND REINVENTION ADOPTION

WHEREAS: The Police Reform & Reinvention Collaborative was directed by Governor Cuomo's Executive Order No. 203 on June 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS: All municipalities in New York State that have police forces are required to participate and submit a written plan by April 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS: If communities fail to submit a written plan, their funding will be withheld by the NYS Department of Budget; and

WHEREAS: This process was structured, according to the guidelines provided in the New York State Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative, requiring community input and participation, along with an assessment of policing policies; and

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WHEREAS: The Village of Palmyra understands that maintaining public safety is extremely important and is one of the essential roles of government. In order to achieve that goal, there must be mutual trust and respect between police and the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS: The Village of Palmyra has followed the guidelines of the Police Reform & Reinvention Collaborative in the following ways:

- Reviewed the needs of the community served by the Village of Palmyra Police Department and evaluated the Department's current policies and practices.
- Established and evaluated policies that allow police to safely perform their duties.
- Involved the entire community and stakeholders in the discussion and input into the plan; and

WHEREAS: The Village of Palmyra followed the guidelines of the Police Reform & Reinvention by way of a public survey distributed on December 16, 2020, hosted two public listening sessions, the first on December 16, 2020, and the second on January 6, 2021. A Public hearing was conducted on the draft plan proposal on March 15, 2021. Comments and recommendations were received from the public and stakeholders throughout the process; and

WHEREAS: The Village of Palmyra Mayor and the Village of Palmyra Board has read, reviewed, and agreed with the information presented in the Plan; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Village of Palmyra Board accepts and adopts Village of Palmyra Police Department Police Reform & Reinvention Collaborative Plan; and authorizes the Village Mayor to sign the New York State Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative Plan Certification Form – Appendix B, and file it with the Director of the New York State Division of Budget prior to April 1, 2021.

Motion to approve made by Deputy Mayor Perry, seconded by Trustee Wartens

Trustee Luke would like to include some of the suggestions made by A. Correia. Amended motion to approve pending inclusion of A. Correia's corrections was a roll call vote.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

TRUSTEE VIRGINIA LUKE, AYE
TRUSTEE PATRICK NOLAN, AYE
DEPUTY MAYOR RICHARD PERRY, JR, AYE
TRUSTEE MARK WARTENS, AYE
MAYOR DAVID A HUSK, AYE

MOTION CARRIED

PASTA DINNER The Palmyra Fire Auxiliary is having a drive-up Pasta Dinner at the Fire Hall, 615 East Main Street. It is being held this Saturday, 3/20/21, from 4:00-7:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Trustee Wartens and seconded by Trustee Luke to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Wetherby
Clerk Treasurer

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