

**TOWN OF PALMYRA
VILLAGE OF PALMYRA
JOINT BOARD MEETING
Palmyra Fire Hall**

September 18, 2000 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Wilson, Trustees Gunkler, and DeVogelaere. For the town: Supervisor Lyon, Council members Nussbaumer, Welch, and Green and several residents. Trustee Celentano out of town on business.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

VILLAGE HALL STUDY: Mayor Wilson introduced Kathy Dear with Brown Associates who was on hand to explain the grant opportunities for refurbishment of the Village Hall building.

There are two possible areas for funding of the planning & design stage. The first possible source would be from a state legislative (member item) grant. The Village would go to area representative and request funds. The second source would be from Rural New York, Preservation league of New York. The usual maximum grant amount is \$5000.

Possible funding for construction include the Community Facilities Loan- USDA, Rural Development. This is a 38 year loan at 4 1/2% interest, up to 100% can be financed. The second source would be NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. In order to qualify, the building must be on the National Register or have an application on file and the project must be one of restoration (not for general construction). These grants are highly competitive and are usually matching 50/50 grants. The final possibility would be a State legislative (member item) grant.

Mayor Wilson explained the spread sheet that was mailed to the residents. He asked if anyone had any questions or comments. Several residents expressed support for housing the Town and Village offices in the one building and the 2.2 million dollar proposed renovation. Others thought the Village should put in the necessary structural repairs to the building and the Town should go ahead the buy the Mormon Church. The question of annexation came up but according to Village attorney and Section 1-102 of Village law, annexation would not be necessary. Other issues that were discussed included parking or lack thereof, whether or not it would go before the voters and alternative possible locations.

Mayor Wilson thanked everyone for their attendance and requested any further comments be sent in care of Village Hall.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Trustee Gunkler to adjourn the joint meeting at 8:50 pm. Second by Trustee DeVogelaere. Vote 4 ayes - Village Board. (4 ayes for Town Board) CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia M. Lynch
Village Clerk

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