

**VILLAGE OF PALMYRA BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING**

April 5, 2004 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Daly called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Daly, Trustees Piccola, and Palmer. Absent: Trustees Salomon and Celentano.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Palmer, to approve the minutes from March 15, 2004 as submitted. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS: Motion by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Palmer, to approve payment of vouchers 754-860 for \$6145.36. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION: The following correspondence has been received and is on file at Village Hall:

- FOIL requests - \$.25 per page
- Union Ag. Society – Fair parade August 13, 7:00 pm
- NYCOM June 6-9 meeting
- United Way Day of Caring, Wednesday, May 5th
- NYS Deferred Compensation & info from POMCO - passed along to personnel officer
- Closed Good Friday, April 8
- Palmyra-Macedon Rowing – outline provided of planned activities and budget for crewing on the canal. It will be a private club activity, the school system will help to solicit possible participants. Motion was made by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Palmer to endorse the “rowing program” as well as the installation of a 45 foot dock at the Marina pending approval from the Canal Corporation. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Salomon – absent.

Trustee Celenanto – absent.

Trustee Piccola announced that the Finger Lakes Visiting Nurse Service is holding a golf tournament July 16th as a fundraiser. It will take place at Crooked Pines (formerly Marvin’s Country Club). Contact Mary Welker for more information.

Trustee Palmer moved to accept Chad VanDerlike for membership into the Fire Department pending completion of the required training and a satisfactory physical. Second was made by Trustee Piccola. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

All the new officers have been installed for the Fire Department. The new Fire Chief is Kevin Bruening.

For the cemetery department, the purchase order has been prepared for the new truck which will be paid for through the cemetery lot fund, the total is \$32,023; there will be two payments of \$16536.45 each- one this year, one next. The new mower will also be purchased through the lot fund. The crew has still been working on the storm damage from last year’s ice storm.

For the Village Court, Trustee Palmer completed the annual court audit on Saturday. He can not find enough good things to say about how the Court Clerk is doing her job. He will be submitting a written report as well.

Attorney Williams – no report.

Mayor Daly briefly reviewed her written report. DOT has now decided that the brick crosswalks will be re-done with a firmer foundation. The tree planting should begin very soon.

Mayor Daly reported on an email she has received from Elder Fox, who was director in charge of historic sites here in Palmyra for the past two years. He has been speaking to

the Chairman and Director of Development of "This is the Place Foundation". The foundation maintains and operates This is the Place Heritage State Park and Historic Deseret Village. The model for this village is Colonial Williamsburg.

They are very much interested in establishing a relationship with Palmyra that would result in mutual promotion and development. Approximately 350,000 to 400,000 people visit the park each year. They are aware that Palmyra would not be a source of revenue but can provide historical footings that will contribute in a variety of ways to the success of the foundation. They would promote us, we would promote them. Motion was made by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Palmer to authorize the Mayor to pursue said partnership on her trip to Utah. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS:

CROPWALK: In support for the Crop Walk, Mayor Daly moved to adopt the following proclamation:

CROP WALK Proclamation

Whereas on Sunday afternoon, May 2 many areas residents will "Walk With the World" in the 18th Annual CROP WALK in this area; and

Whereas this is done to he

lp provide seeds, tools, water resources, vocational and literacy training and other self-help skills needed overseas through Church World Service; and

Whereas women, men and children throughout the world must walk long distances every day to get water, food and shelter in order to survive; and

Whereas twenty-five percent of CROP WALK funds raised will assist hungry people right in our own area through the local food pantries and the Good Neighbor Fund; and

Whereas there have been 17 walks between 1986 and 2003, which have raised the total of \$25,000 in this Palmyra-Macedon Farmington area; and

Whereas there continues to be a growing number of people who need assistance at our local food pantry and a need for education regarding poverty and hunger in the world;

Now, therefore, I / Mayor of Palmyra, New York, do hereby proclaim May 2, 2004 to be CROP WALK Day in the Village of Palmyra and encourage all our citizens to "Walk With the World" by walking, sponsoring a walker or making a gift to

"CROP WALK DAY"

In the Village of Palmyra and encourage all our citizens to "Walk With the World" by walking, sponsoring a walker or making a gift to "CROP".

Mayor of Palmyra

Second by Trustee Palmer. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

DELINQUENT WATER/SEWER CHARGES: Motion was made by Trustee Palmer to add any delinquent water & sewer rents, plus accrued penalties as of April 30, 2004 to the 2004 Village tax roll. Second was made by Trustee Piccola. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

SURPLUS WOOD: At the last Board meeting, a complaint from a local businessman was discussed regarding the cemetery department and its policy of disposing of surplus wood. It was reported that the wood in question was top quality which appears is not true. The wood is, in many cases, the rotted out trimmings from Village and cemetery trees. Instead of disposing of the wood at the landfill, Superintendent Weaver has an agreement with a farm on Creek Road to dispose of it there. It saves on mileage. In the interest of there being no question about impropriety, Trustee Palmer has told

Superintendent Weaver to take the surplus wood to the landfill. Trustee Palmer and Superintendent Weaver will be discussing the possibility of initiating some sort of a lottery in the future. In the meantime, no one is to take any wood from the cemetery including employees.

PAL-MAC YOUTH BASEBALL: As requested by Pal-Mac Youth Baseball, Trustee Palmer moved to grant permission for the Opening Day Baseball Parade on May 1st at 10 a.m. pending approval from DOT. Second was made by Trustee Piccola. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

FLAGPOLE RESTORATION: Bids have been opened for the restoration of the village flagpole but there is still a shortfall of about \$16,000 in funding. None of the funding is to come from taxpayer money. Sniedze Associates has recommended that the Village contact the contractor and request that they hold their bid price until September 30, 2004. Motion was made by Trustee Palmer, second by Trustee Piccola to request an extension from Spensieri Painting to September 30th. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

JUSTICE COURT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: Motion was made by Trustee Palmer, second by Trustee Piccola to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the State of New York has enacted a law establishing the Justice Court Assistance Program, L. 1999, C. 280 that will enable communities to apply to the Chief Administrative Judge for a grant of State funds to assist in the operation of justice courts; and

WHEREAS, the availability of grant funding would enhance the ability of the village Justice court to provide suitable and sufficient service to the community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby authorizes the Mayor to file an application for a Justice Court Assistance Program grant for the New York State fiscal year ending March 31, 2005.

Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED. If the grant is successful new chairs will be purchased for the expanded court room.

PUBLIC: Two residents from Washington Street addressed the Board regarding notices they received for parking in their front yards. Both residents urged the Board to take a look at this regulation and amend it. It is a hardship for residents, especially in the winter, who have small driveways and several vehicles in the household, not to be able to utilize their front yard.

ST ENVIRONMENTAL INVOICES: Motion was made by Trustee Palmer, second by Trustee Piccola to approve the invoices as submitted by ST Environmental to be paid by ST out of the joint account:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>ACCT/INVOICE#</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
3/10/04	Frontier	394 6459 05	\$20.01
3/19/04	NYSEG	10-424-01-008100-08	\$1,076.71
3/19/04	NYSEG	10-242-01-008300-06	\$223.51
3/19/04	NYSEG	10-242-01-008200-07	\$608.33
3/17/04	Mid State Labs	10752	\$25.00
3/17/04	Mid State Labs	10765	\$56.00
3/02/04	Mid State Labs	10669	\$25.00
3/04/04	Mid State Labs	10691	\$56.00
3/09/04	Mid State Labs	10724	\$50.00
3/23/04	Mid State Labs	10838	\$25.00
3/25/04	Mid State Labs	10864	\$25.00
3/23/04	USA Blue Book	785966	\$496.82

3/24/04	USA Blue Book	786135	<u>\$280.48</u>
Total			\$2,967.86

Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Trustee Palmer, second by Trustee Piccola to go into executive session for discussion of personnel. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

Motion by Trustee Palmer, second by Trustee Piccola, to re-enter public session with no action having taken place during executive session at 7:55 p.m. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. by Trustee Palmer, second by Trustee Piccola. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia M. Lynch
Village Clerk