

**VILLAGE OF PALMYRA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
September 17, 2007 7:00pm**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Daly, Trustees Husk, and Palmer, and Attorney Williams. Trustee Piccola arrived at 7:10 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Daly called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Trustee Palmer, seconded by Trustee Husk to approve the minutes from the September 4, 2007 meeting as submitted. Vote, 3 ayes, Trustees Palmer and Husk and Mayor Daly. CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT # 4 (a&b): Motion was made by Trustee Palmer, second by Trustee Husk to approve Abstract #4 vouchers #289 through 368 for \$136,189.50. Vote, 3 ayes, Trustees Palmer and Husk and Mayor Daly. CARRIED.

RESIGNATION: Motion was made by Trustee Husk, second by Trustee Palmer to accept the resignation of Matthew Smith from the Planning Board with thanks. Vote, 3 ayes, Trustees Palmer and Husk and Mayor Daly. CARRIED.

APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE: Motion was made by Trustee Palmer, second by Trustee Husk to accept Mayor Daly's appointment of Matthew Smith to fill the vacancy on the Board left by the departure of Trustee Hopkins. Vote, 3 ayes, Trustees Palmer and Husk and Mayor Daly. CARRIED. Trustee Smith was sworn in and took his place at the table with the Board. Trustee Smith's term will run through to the Annual Organizational Meeting on December 3rd, 2007.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION:

- Murray Gould – Economic aspects of preservation, October 1st
- Excellence in Service Awards – O'Konsky, Sgt. Showman, Chief Dalton
- *Going Places*, AAA magazine article: Biking on the Erie Canal Trail
- GTC Call for Projects
- Niagara County Historical Society to Palmyra
- Request from Sue Nussbaumer for financial support of Senior Citizen Club
- Thank you from Nathan Hobart *Canal Times*, for participation
- Annual Labor Update Conference invitation from Coughlin & Gerhart October 16, Binghamton
- Sketch showing marina depths, courtesy of Bill Lawton
- Gift to Village (floral arrangement for Ladies Room) from CanalTown Day vendor, Mrs. Neva as her way of thanking Village for keeping restrooms open for the weekend.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Husk reported that he met with the Buildings, Grounds and Maintenance crew last Tuesday. Then he reviewed the written report provided by Supt. Hopkins. Of special interest, were the pictures of the downed tree in the cemetery.

Trustee Husk moved to adopt the following resolution:

PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Palmyra, Wayne County, New York, adopted a resolution during a meeting on September 17, 2007 subject to Permissive Referendum as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED that a sum up to and not to exceed EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS (\$820.00) shall be expended from the Capital Reserve for Machinery and

Equipment (HR7) for the purchase of a computer for the Buildings, Grounds and Maintenance Department.

Following publication, the foregoing resolution shall be posted in six (6) conspicuous places and in accordance with Section 9-902 of Village law, shall take effect in thirty (30) days.

Dated: October 3, 2007
Completion: November 2, 2007

BY ORDER OF THE VILLAGE BOARD
Palmyra, New York
Alicia M. Lynch, Village Clerk

Trustee Piccola seconded the motion. Vote, 4 ayes, Trustees Husk, Piccola, Palmer and Smith. CARRIED. The laptop computer will be purchased off state bid.

There was a brief discussion on which avenue to pursue for a cell phone for Supt. Hopkins. The Clerk will call Verizon Wireless to inquire into the different options.

The applications for a seasonal worker for the Buildings, Grounds, Maintenance Department have been reviewed. Motion was made by Trustee Husk, second by Trustee Palmer to hire Wayne Eidman Sr. as a seasonal laborer at \$8.24 per hour, start date September 19th. Vote, 4 ayes, Trustees Husk, Piccola, Palmer and Smith. CARRIED.

Reporting for the Fire Department, **Trustee Palmer** moved to accept Stephen Drake and Andrew Johnson for membership into the Fire Department, as well as Andrea Cozada, Paul Lockman and Tammy Bailey for membership into the Fire Police unit following completion of the appropriate training and a satisfactory physical examination. The motion was seconded by Trustee Smith. Vote, 4 ayes, Trustees Husk, Piccola, Palmer and Smith. CARRIED.

The monthly Pancake Breakfasts will start up again on September 22nd at the Fire Hall. The ISO inspection of the Fire Hall is slated for November 12th.

The August operational report for the water and wastewater treatment facilities has been submitted by Severn Trent and will be on file in the Village clerk's office. Trustee Palmer will be bringing estimates back for the roof replacement of the Spring Street plant. NYS Dept. of Health will be conducting their annual inspection of the sewer/water treatment plants on September 26th.

More from **Trustee Husk**: He will be meeting with Councilman Ken Miller and Supt. Hopkins to discuss, outline and formalize duties for Buildings and Grounds when working in the Town. This has never been in writing and no one is quite sure what is expected. The Buildings, Grounds and Maintenance Dept. labor costs are tallied to offset Town highway labor costs when they are used in the Village.

Trustee Piccola reported that he has been in contact with NYS Department of Transportation regarding the poor and deteriorating condition of the Main St. crosswalks. He is waiting to hear back from someone. Trustee Piccola reminded Attorney Williams to look into the camping issue at the Fairgrounds.

Trustee Piccola reported on the upcoming shared services grant. There are four municipalities that are interested in sharing the costs of the grant submission as well as the equipment that would be purchased if the grant is successful. They are the Town of Palmyra, the Town of Macedon and the Town of Walworth and of course, the Village. The cost of writing the grant through Stu Brown is \$3000.00. It is a 10% matching grant. The four pieces of equipment being considered are a Vacall truck, a new roller, a new boom truck and an excavator. The Village would sell its current lift truck at auction which would cover most of the Village's share of its 10% matching portion. Supt. Boesel estimates that the lift truck should bring in \$25,000-\$30,000. The equipment would most likely be housed at the Town and Village's highway barn. Maintenance, housing and insurance would be addressed in the maintenance agreement. The Town of Walworth is only interested in sharing two pieces of equipment; the Town of Macedon is interested in three and both the Town and Village of Palmyra is interested in all four. The Village's bottom line would be roughly \$22,300.00. Motion was made by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Palmer to engage Stu Brown to write the grant, the Village of Palmyra's share of the expense \$1,032.26 to come from contingency A1990.4. Vote, 4 ayes, Trustees Husk, Piccola, Palmer and Smith. CARRIED.

Trustee Piccola briefly reviewed the highway activities for the past two weeks; ie. CanalTown cleanup. The gutters on Crescent Drive and the Stafford Street sidewalks are next to be scheduled.

WATER SERVICE SPECIFICATIONS: As the Clerk missed the deadline for the legal for the public hearing, motion was made by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Husk to re-schedule a public hearing on amending the section for water service line specifications for October 1st at 7:00 p.m. . Vote, 4 ayes, Trustees Husk, Piccola, Palmer and Smith. CARRIED.

Attorney Williams reported that he is proceeding with action against the E. Main house in violation of the Nuisance Abatement Ordinance.

Mayor Daly provided her usual written report which will also be on file in the Clerk's office and added that the Golden Olympics took place here at the Fairgrounds the second Saturday in September. It was the largest one that they've ever had.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS:

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION: Tabled until Attorney Williams can review paperwork and notice from the State.

VILLAGE PARK HOURS: Discussion took place about the need to post and enforce hours for use of Village parks. Dusk to dawn is too ambiguous; closed from sunset to sunrise was suggested. Attorney Williams will compile something for Board review, a public hearing will need to be scheduled.

AIR BRAKES: After a brief discussion about the difficulty in enforcing laws prohibiting the use of Jake brakes in the Village, the Board directed Attorney Williams to move forward with authoring an ordinance for Village code.

AIR QUALITY STUDY: Motion was made by Trustee Palmer, second by Trustee Smith to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract with LU Engineers for completion of an Air Quality study along Route 21. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED. (Note: see July 2nd minutes) Vote, 4 ayes, Trustees Husk, Piccola, Palmer and Smith. CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion was made by Trustee Palmer, second was made by Trustee Husk to enter executive session at 8:10 p.m. for discussion of a personnel matter and several contractual issues. Vote, 4 ayes, Trustees Husk, Piccola, Palmer and Smith. CARRIED.

Motion by Trustee Palmer, seconded by Trustee Husk to re-enter public session with no action taken place at 8:45 p.m. Vote, 4 ayes, Trustees Husk, Piccola, Palmer and Smith. CARRIED.

INSURANCE BUYOUT: Motion was made by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Smith to extend the insurance buyout benefit to Hopkins and Lynch, effective with Payroll 8, ending date September 18, 2007 This is paid annually in May. Vote, 4 ayes, Trustees Husk, Piccola, Palmer and Smith. CARRIED.

COMMITTEE LIAISON: Motion was made by Trustee Husk, second by Trustee Piccola to name Trustee Smith as liaison to the celebrations committee. Vote, 4 ayes, Trustees Husk, Piccola, Palmer and Smith. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn at 8:80 p.m. made by Trustee Piccola, seconded by Trustee Palmer. Vote, 4 ayes, Trustees Husk, Piccola, Palmer and Smith. CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alicia M. Lynch
Clerk Treasurer