

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

April 21, 2003 6:30 p.m.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Daly opened the public hearing and asked the Clerk to read the following legal:

LEGAL NOTICE
VILLAGE OF PALMYRA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that there have been introduced before the Village of Palmyra a proposed local law, which, if adopted would amend Chapter 18 of the Village Code entitled "Sewer Rents" by increasing the rates for sewer rental.

NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, the Village Board will hold a public hearing on the 21st day of April 2003 at 6:30 pm at the Palmyra Village Hall, 144 East Main Street, Palmyra New York for the purpose of hearing comments for or against the adoption of the proposed local law.

Any person may appear in person or by representative. Copies of the proposed local law may be examined in the Village Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

Dated: April 2, 2003

By Order of the Village Board of the Village of Palmyra

Alicia M. Lynch, Village Clerk

Mayor Daly asked for comments from the public regarding the proposed changes to the sewer rates. Resident Dan Wooden asked what the new rates would be. Mayor Daly informed him that along with the water fund, the sewer fund is no longer self sufficient. The minimum quarterly bill for sewer will go from \$27.00 per quarter to \$35.00 and the consumption rate will go from \$.64 per hundred cubic foot to \$1.50. Water rates were raised and adopted along with the annual budget. As there were no more questions or comments from the public, motion was made by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Celentano to close the public hearing. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

THANKS: On the behalf of the Village Board, Mayor Daly applauded and thanked the Police department, the Fire department, the Highway department, the Buildings and grounds department as well as the community itself for the fine fashion in which everyone handled the ice storm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Palmer, to approve minutes from March 17, 2003 as written. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.
Motion by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Salomon to approve minutes from March

- ?? CDS – Group Home moving ahead
- ?? Brush pickup – First and third Mondays starting May 5th
- ?? Free concerts in the park for August by Greg Campbell
- ?? Aldrich Bridge – donation from Sherwin Williams, Penfield
- ?? Thank you letter – Donna Murray
- ?? Trail permit on file
- ?? Department of Army – Trail requirements
- ?? NYCOM 2003 Annual Meeting – Hudson Valle
- ?? License agreement – Herendeen

TRUSTEE REPORTS: **Trustee Salomon** thanked ST Environmental Services for their efforts during the ice storm as well. There were no Village water/sewer customers without services throughout the storm. Trustee Salomon moved to engage Sniedze Associates for a study of the water flow testing on East Foster Street extension. Second was made by Trustee Celentano. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

The Water and Wastewater operational report for March will be on file at Village Hall for anyone wishing to look at it. And finally, based on a recommendation from the Village Treasurer, Trustee Salomon moved to make the following budget transfers:

Water Fund Transfers

Transfer \$4,500.00 from Water Contingency to the following:

- \$1,800.00 to F1410.4 – Clerk - Misc/Contractual
- \$ 300.00 to F1670.4 – Central Printing & Mailing
- \$1,900.00 to F1950.4 – Taxes & Assessments
- \$ 400.00 to F8330.420 – Purification – Training
- \$ 50.00 to F9010.8 – Water – State Retirement
- \$ 50.00 to F9030.8 – Water – Social Security

And:

\$ 600.00 from F1680.2 – Data Processing Equip/Cap. Outlay to F1680.4 – Data Processing Misc/Contr.

Sewer Fund Transfers

Transfer \$3,250.00 from G1990.4 – Sewer Fund Contingency to the following:

- \$1,500.00 to G1410.4 – Clerk – Misc/Contractual
- \$ 400.00 to G1670.4 – Central Printing & Mailing
- \$ 650.00 to G1680.4 – Data Processing – Misc/Contractual
- \$ 400.00 to G1910.4 – STP – Unallocated Insurance
- \$ 300.00 to G8120.4 – Sanitary Sewers – Misc/Contractual

Second by Trustee Celentano. Vote, 4 ayes.

Trustee Celentano reported that the Highway Department is, of course, still very busy with brush pickup. FEMA officials are expected in the Village tomorrow to inspect the damage. Superintendent Cook has estimated that the crews have already picked up about 45,000 cubic yards of debris which translates to approximately \$22,000 in labor costs. This should represent about a third of the total work. Due to the excess work caused by the ice storm, Trustee Celentano moved to keep Mike LaPlant on the Highway payroll at least until May 19 when the Board will review the situation again. Second was made by Trustee Salomon. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

Trustee Palmer reported that he has left some fact sheets on smallpox in Village Hall. The Fire whistle is still not working properly; there's a short in it. Buildings and Grounds has submitted an estimate to FEMA for ice storm damage of \$72,000.00 Superintendent Weaver has removed 33 trees, and so far, trimmed 50-60% of the damaged ones. The cemetery has been hit hard which might delay the start of the mowing season. He has also contracted with Fisher Tree Service at a cost of \$900 per day to

The community garage sale will be that morning in the Village park. In the afternoon, there will be a demonstration at the Marina with Kathleen Skinner, Canalside Rentals, and a kayak race on the canal.

Farmer's Market: There was a lengthy discussion about requiring the vendors to carry liability insurance. The larger farmers already carry but many smaller farmers do not have and can not afford it. According to Irene Unterborn, other farmer's markets do not require it; we seem to be the only one. Trustee Piccola called upon John VanParys' expertise. Mr. VanParys says that requiring the insurance provides another layer of defense to the Village and it would be VanParys Associates recommendation to continue with this requirement. The discussion segued to a discussion regarding the Village's insurance coverage and there was no decision reached on the vendor liability issue. The Village's policy with Selective is up for renewal in June. Mr. VanParys would like to obtain a quote from NYMIR as he has in the past. According to Eastern Shores, there is another agency bringing in a quote from NYMIR and Eastern Shores will not let John VanParys quote this product without first getting some authorization from the Village. After discussion, motion was made by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Piccola, to authorize VanParys Associates to solicit a quote from NYMIR. Vote, 4 ayes.

CARRIED.

Attorney Williams – no report.

Mayor Daly highlighted her written report. There is a copy of the application that was submitted by Brown Associates for the Small Cities grant. It's quite a document. On behalf of the Tourism Committee, Mayor Daly explained a promotional proposal that the committee would like the Board to endorse. The Tourism Committee would like to establish a common emblem for the Village so that visitors and community members seeing the emblem would understand the "unity in purpose" of the merchants and organizations that display it. Joan Herendeen has designed the emblem. It is similar to the one that can be found on the Village vehicles. The Tourism would like Board permission to have the emblems reproduced which in turn, they will "sell" at cost to cover the reproduction costs. Trustee Palmer moved to permit the Tourism Committee to reproduce and sell the emblem to interested merchants. Second by Trustee Celentano. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

Don't forget Spring Spruce Up Day on May 24th. Request forms for volunteer help are available from the Village Clerk. All volunteers will be covered under the church's insurance.

The Economic Task Force requests permission to pursue information on possible funding to support Heritage Tourism efforts in Palmyra. Speakers, among them Robert Leopard, are available and their presentations will be open to the public. The Task Force would also like to invite representatives from the Town to participate on their committee. The Board agreed to both ideas.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS: Ann Guest from the American Legion presented the Board with a Blue Star Banner to be put on display in the front window of Village Hall. The banner poster is used to demonstrate support for our troops. This program initially ran during World War II.

SEWER RATES: Motion was made by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Piccola, to adopt Local Law #1, 2003 increasing the Village sewer rates to \$35.00 minimum per quarter and a consumptive rate of \$1.50 per hundred cubic foot. Vote, 4 ayes.

CARRIED.

WATER/SEWER RE-LEVY: Motion was made by Trustee Celentano, second by

Village water system as an out-of-district user. Motion by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Palmer to grant out-of-district water user status to Mr. Cleason's property at 1150 Vienna Street. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

CROP WALK: Mayor Daly reminded everyone of the Crop Walk on May 4th. There will be a new route this year in Aqueduct Park.

SEWER PROJECT PHASE II: Bob Raeman has reviewed the bids for the second phase of the Wastewater Treatment plant. The low bidder for Contract I – Construction was Hub Lange Paving in at \$153,692 for the base contract, \$900 for Alternate A, \$900 for Alternate B and \$633 for Alternate C; total contract price of \$161,525.00. The low bidder for Contract II – Electrical was Total Maintenance of Western New York in at \$5,970 for the base contract, \$11,150 for Alternate A, \$12,800 for Alternate B; total contract price of \$29,900.00. Total cost of Phase II would be \$191,445.00 which is very close to the estimates brought in by Sniedze Associates. Motion by Trustee Salomon, second by Trustee Celentano, to award Contract I to Hub Lange and Contract II to Total Maintenance as recommended by Sniedze Associates. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Piccola to go into executive session for discussion of a personnel matter. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

Motion by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Piccola, to re-enter public session with no action having taken place during executive session.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Piccola. Vote, 4. ayes. CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia M. Lynch, Village Clerk
Village Clerk