

VILLAGE OF PALMYRA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING

January 5, 2009 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Daly, Trustees Bradstreet, Husk, Piccola, and Nolan and Attorney Williams.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Trustee Nolan, second by Trustee Husk to enter into executive session for discussion of on-going litigation with counsel. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

PUBLIC SESSION: Motion by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Bradstreet to re-enter public session with no action having been taken. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Trustee Husk, second by Trustee Nolan, to approve the minutes from December 15, 2008 noting that Richard Clayton has the Thursday, January 15, 6:30 p.m. time slot for budget discussion, (not G. Hopkins again as stated in original minutes). Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE: The following correspondence has been received and is on file in the office of the Clerk Treasurer:

- Garlock Sealing Tech Brownfield Site Info
- Property damage to police cars
- WCVOA dinner meeting – Palmyra hosting Jan. 21 @ VFW
- NYSOPRHP- Village passed first phase of becoming a Certified Local Govt.

Trustee reports deferred for guest, Anne Guest.

BURIALS FOR INDIGENT VETERANS: Anne Guest addressed the Board to ask that the Village allow indigent veterans to be buried in the Veterans plot which is owned by the Town. Her request would be just for veterans living here now, brought up here, or those having spent the majority of their life here. There are about 12 lots left in the Veterans plot. There are outside sources available to cover the other burial expenses. The last time the Veterans plot was used was eleven years ago. After a brief discussion, it was determined to treat it on a case by case basis.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Bradstreet reported that Troy Leone, nominated at the last Board meeting to fill a position on the Planning Board, would not be eligible to serve as he is no longer a Village resident. Nate Goodness has agreed to serve. He will be meeting soon with both boards.

The Celebrations committee will be sending out a calendar of events soon. Plans for the Fourth of July celebration are coming along nicely. It will include a display by DAR of flags at the Park and Club Rooms, a Civil War re-enactment, reading of the Declaration of Independence and Pledge of Allegiance in the Park and possibly music.

He is also working on pulling together a birding festival, possibly in April. He has been in contact with Cornell Ornithology, Rochester Birding Association, Montezuma Birding and the author/naturalist Susan Petersen Gateley.

June 6 is once again National Trails Day. He is working with Palmyra Pathways to line something up for that.

Trustee Bradstreet also toured the Water and Sewer plants and will be visiting all other operations.

Trustee Husk – no report.

Trustee Nolan reported briefly on a meeting with the Village of Newark. Mayor Blandino, Corky Timerson, Water Plant operator and Public Works Supt. Jim Bridgeman

came to the Village to talk about possible areas in which we may collaborate in the future.

He provided an update on the Hyde Parkway project. Two broken sewer laterals due to the Hub Langie work have been discovered. These will need to be excavated and replaced.

Trustee Piccola reported the Highway Department has been busy snow plowing and they have also completed a round of the Village for Christmas tree pickup. Fuel reports have been compiled by Supt. Boesel through the end of November. The average cost of unleaded fuel is \$2.98. We budgeted \$3.00 a gallon so it looks like we are just about breaking even. Diesel is still up at \$2.42 per gallon. Supt. Boesel spoke briefly about the demonstration he attended put on by Geotilities. He would like the Village to consider the web based utility mapping program even if it would mean purchasing it piece meal year by year. The Board decided to have them come to the next board meeting for a demonstration.

Attorney Williams brought a copy of a standard lease for Board review. He would like to see a copy of the Fire Department's Certificate of Need. It is a document that would have been created a long time ago. It is needed if the village is going to set up third party billing for ambulance services.

Mayor Daly provided her usual written report and reminded all of the joint meeting at the school on Tuesday, January 6 at 7:00 and the joint presentation by Geva Theatre and Historic Palmyra about Spiritualism in Wayne County.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

OPEN BURNING: The Board once again discussed the proposed open burning ordinance update. The agreed upon version of the proposed update would not allow any burning of wood, brush, trash, papers, rubbish or garbage. Only cooking fires would be allowed in container designed for that purpose. The cooking fire will need to be supervised and not produce smoke detectable across adjoining property lines. The Board decided not to advertise for the public hearing until after the budget has been put to bed.

POLICE OFFICER RESIGNATION: According to Chief Dalton, Officer O'Konsky will be leaving the Police Dept. the end of February. The Chief would like permission to begin looking for another candidate. Trustee Piccola asked that Officer O'Konsky be given an exit interview. Mayor Daly will let the Chief know it's okay to start the search.

PLANNING BOARD: Motion was made by Trustee Bradstreet, second by Trustee Piccola to appoint Nate Goodness as an alternate to the Planning Board. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Trustee Husk, second by Trustee Piccola to enter into executive session for the discussion of personnel at 8:30 p.m. The Clerk Treasurer was excused. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

PUBLIC SESSION: Motion by Trustee Husk, second by Trustee Piccola to re-enter public session with no action having been taken at 9:25 pm. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Nolan to adjourn at 9:25 p.m. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia M. Lynch
Clerk Treasurer

