

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

January 6, 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 Salomon, Piccola, Palmer and Celentano, Attorney Arthur Williams.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Piccola to approve the minutes from December 16 as submitted. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

Motion by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Palmer to approve the minutes from December 26 as written. Vote, 3 ayes – Mayor Daly, Trustees Piccola and Palmer, 2 abstain – Trustee Celentano and Trustee Salomon. CARRIED.

Motion by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Piccola to approve the correction to the Annual Organizational Meeting minutes, making the term of office for the Registrar of Vital Statistics from January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

VOUCHERS: Motion by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Palmer to approve payment of the utility vouchers 554 and 555 for \$577.79. Vote 4 ayes. CARRIED.

PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM: Trustee Salomon moved to adopt the following permissive referendums:

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 January 6, 2003 subject to Permissive Referendum as follows;

BE IT RESOLVED that a sum up to and not to exceed SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$6,500) shall be expended from the Capital Reserve Water HR3 to replace the impellor and wear rings on the main production pump, and replacement of the fluoride pump and diatomaceous earth pump at the water treatment plant.

BY ORDER OF THE VILLAGE BOARD

Palmyra, New York
Alicia M. Lynch
Village Clerk

Dated: January 6, 2003

Completion: February 6, 2003

Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

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

1. Finger Lakes Water Works Conference, Thursday February 6th
2. Annual report from Municipal Historian Beth Hoad

TRUSTEE REPORTS: Trustee Palmer nominated Shad Johnson for membership into the Fire Department pending a satisfactory physical and completion of the appropriate training. Second was made by Trustee Celentano. Vote, 4 ayes.

Trustee Palmer reported that he has instructed Roger Weaver to start interviewing candidates for the vacancy in the Buildings and Ground Maintenance Department. There was a discussion about raising the part-time seasonal pay rate to \$10.00 per hour in line with the Town rate. Motion was made by Trustee Palmer to increase the hourly rate to \$10.00 per hour for the seasonal employees. Motion died as there was no second.

Trustee Piccola moved to moved Carey Bailey from an alternate's position to a full fledged member of the Planning Board to fill the vacancy on that board created by his departure. Second was made by Trustee Celentano. Vote, 3 ayes, 1 abstain, Trustee Palmer. CARRIED.

Trustee Piccola proposed and outlined changes to the Economic Development Committee. In the past, there have been no written guidelines for this committee. From now on the Committee will be known as the Economic Support Committee, guidelines as follows:

Status: Standing Committee:

- ?? Membership by Board appointment.
- ?? Advisory relationship to Board

shovel the sidewalks. The Village tries to keep it clear along the Fairgrounds and in front of the Park. Highway Superintendent Cook has researched the cost of a snow-thrower to fit on the Bob cat. It would cost about \$3200.00 off of State bid. Some of the Board felt that the Village would be better off spending the money on a whole new piece of equipment. Trustee Celentano advised caution; the highway department may go over budget this year due to snow plowing and removal if the weather continues as it has been. Further discussion tabled until Mr. Cook had more information.

Attorney Williams reported that he has received correspondence from Universal Bonding, he has replied and waiting to hear back from them once again.

Mayor Daly recapped her written report. The following committees will be meeting on the following dates: Tourism Committee - Wednesday, January 15, Kiosk Committee - Tuesday, January 7, Aldrich Change Committee -January 15, Economic Task Force – January 13, Public Hearing for the Small Cities grant application – Thursday, January 16.

Novena Dunhour of Aqua Quest Charter and Tours, Medina NY meet here on Dec. 27 with Roger Weaver, Bonnie Hays/Historic Palmyra, Kathleen Skinner/Canalside Rentals, Mark Spinelli/Garlock House and the Mayor. Aqua Quest is considering bringing a tour boat into the Marina every weekend. Details are being finalized. She expects the tours to run from late May through the end of the canal season.

Mayor Daly reviewed upcoming dates for the Small Cities grant application. There will be a public hearing for input and to answer questions on Thursday, January 16 at 7:00; a quorum is required. Trustee Piccola asked how the target area was selected for the Small Cities grant application. Stuart Brown recommended that the area be kept small in order to show the greatest amount of impact. The question has arose if the Village would consider putting a cap on the tax assessment for those properties that participate in the loan improvement program. People may be more willing to participate if their taxes won't suddenly increase. Phelps has put a ten year cap on taxes in place and Mayor Daly asked if the Board would agree to her looking into it. The Board agreed that there's nothing to lose by investigating it.

At long last, the Village has received the DEC permit for the trail which will hopefully be followed soon by the paperwork from the Canal Corporation.

Saturday morning, February 1st has been added to the Budget calendar for meeting with the department heads.

Rep. James Walsh has opened up an office in Town Hall. Nora Keane Yancy will be in the office Monday through Friday.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS:

Mayor Daly suggested the Board consider each request as they occur. The Board agreed to give the Select Choir three copies of The Erie Canal by Peter Spier for their trip to Italy.

PALMYRA COMMUNITY CENTER CONTRACT: Motion by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Palmer to authorize Mayor Daly to sign the contract regarding the Town of Palmyra's contribution to the Palmyra Community contract. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

POLICY MANUAL: The policy manual for the non-union employees is over 20 years old. Mayor Daly suggested the Board set a date in the near future to discuss. In the meantime, copies were distributed for the Board's review. The Board agreed to revisit it at the second meeting in May.

Motion by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Salomon to enter executive session for discussion of impending litigation and personnel at 7:25 pm. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Trustee DeVogelaere, second by Trustee Celentano to re-enter public session at 7:45 p.m. with no action having been taken. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

The Board discussed adding a temporary full time officer to the Police force. This would fill the vacancy left by Officer Allen. Motion by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Salomon to hire an interim full-time police officer through the end of this budget year. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Palmer. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia M. Lynch
Village Clerk