

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

February 15, 1999          6:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Wilson, Trustees Gunkler, Celentano, Salomon and DeVogelaere.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC HEARING LOCAL LAW #2 & 3, 1999:** The Public Hearing was opened with reading of the legal by the Village Clerk as follows:

Village of Palmyra Notice of Public Hearing on  
Proposed Local Law

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there has been introduced before the Village Board of the Village of Palmyra a proposed local law styled "Local Law No. 2 of 1999," which if adopted, would amend section 27-14 of chapter 27 of the Palmyra Village Code, to allow a period of thirty days from the due date of any quarter water bill for payment thereof without penalty.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law and section 11-1118 of the Village Law, that the Village Board will convene a public hearing on 15th day of February, 1999 at 6:30 p.m. at the Palmyra Village Hall at 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. The local law may be examined at the Office of the Village Clerk during regular business hours.

Dated: January 1, 1999          By Order of the Village Board of the Village of Palmyra

Village of Palmyra Notice of Public Hearing on  
Proposed Local Law

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there has been introduced before the Village Board of the Village of Palmyra a proposed local law styled "Local Law No. 3 of 1999," which if adopted, would amend section 18-6 of chapter 18 of the Palmyra Village Code, to allow a period of thirty days from the due date of any quarter sewer bill for payment thereof without penalty.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law and section 11-1118 of the Village Law, that the Village Board will convene a public hearing on 15th day of February, 1999 at 6:30 p.m. at the Palmyra Village Hall at 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. The local law may be examined at the Office of the Village Clerk during regular business hours.

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Mayor Wilson explained that these two local laws will extend the time in which to pay your water/sewer bill without penalty by 15 days. He asked for comments from the public. No comments being forthcoming, he closed the public hearing at 6:35 pm. Motion was made by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Gunkler to adopt Local Laws #2 and 3. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by Trustee DeVogelaere, second by Trustee Gunkler to approve the minutes from January 18<sup>th</sup> and February 1<sup>st</sup>, 1999. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

**APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT:** Motion by Mayor Wilson to approve Abstract #9 for vouchers #764-878 for \$123,686.49 pending the appropriate signatures. Second by Trustee Gunkler. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

**TRANSFERS:** Motion by Mayor Wilson, second by Trustee Celentano to approve the following budget transfers:  
\$1500.00 from A1990.4 Contingency to A8170.4 Street Cleaning Misc. to pay for non-budgeted item (sweeper body);  
\$5000.00 from A1990.4 Contingency to A6989.4 Econ. Opp. & Dev. to pay for Small Cities grant preparation;  
\$2000.00 from F1990.4 Water fund Contingency to F9901.9 for Capital Project H66 Eastside Booster Station upgrade;  
\$2000.00 from G1990.4 Sewer fund Contingency to G9950.9 for Capital Project H68 Division Street sewer project.

Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** The following correspondence has been received and is on file at the Village Clerk's office:

1. Letter from resident, Mr. Reeves with comments about Canal Street.

**TRUSTEE REPORTS:** Trustee Gunkler motioned to approve Scott Pieters for membership into the Palmyra Fire Department pending the appropriate training and satisfactory physical. Second by Trustee Celentano. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

Trustee Celentano reported that he would give more details on sweeper at the next meeting.

Trustee DeVogelaere reported that the dangerous ceiling at the Park & Club rooms has been removed by the Parks department.

Trustee Salomon discussed some needed repairs at the sewer plant and the west end lift station. ST Environmental Services will get the emergency repairs made and pay for same out of the maintenance budget. He recommended a permissive referendum to replenish the budget. \$2500 is needed to replace the control panel at the lift station and \$1500 for a new starter for the sludge system. Both repairs are critical and need to be replaced as soon as possible. Trustee Salomon offered the following permissive referendum:

#### **PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM**

BE IT RESOLVED that a sum up to and not to exceed FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,000) shall be expended from the Capital Reserve Sewer System Improvements HR4 for the purpose of repair of the control system at the west end lift station and repair to the starter of the sludge system.

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.

BY ORDER OF THE VILLAGE BOARD

Palmyra, New York  
Alicia M. Lynch  
Village Clerk

Dated: February 15, 1999  
Completion: March 15, 1998

Second by Trustee Celentano. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

In reference to the Route 31 reconstruction of 2000, Steve Stauffer's report included recommendations for water main replacements to be done in conjunction with the lines being done by NYS DOT as part of the project. Trustee Salomon also called the Board's attention to Hwy. Superintendent Cook's recommendation that a portion of the gravity feed sewer be updated during the Rt. 31 project too. He asked that Board members get their comments to him at the next Board meeting.

Mayor Wilson announced that on February 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am there will be an Executive Board for contractual discussions.

**NEW/OLD BUSINESS:** Mayor Wilson asked the public if anyone had any other issues that the Board should consider before voting on the Canal Street one-way proposal.

At Trustee Salomon's request, Joyce Dutton polled the residents of Canal Street. Results were as follows: Out of 22 total property owners: 12 voted for one-way (7 of them reside on Canal St.), 5 voted for maintaining two way status (2 of them reside on Canal St.), 1 was undecided and there were 3 owners that she was unable to reach.

Mayor Wilson reminded the public that there has already been two public hearings. The Board has heard input pro and con. He asked if anyone had anything new. Irene Unterborn, Hallie Reed, and Sue Nichol all business owner made comments that they thought one-way would help to encourage tourism. John Blazey urged the Board to keep it two-way. Mayor Wilson asked once again for any new issues. Margaret DeNeef said the Village just doesn't need it.

Jim Columbe, Wayne County Planning, reported that the County is in favor of the one-way plan. It would promote the re-creation of a neighborhood and open it up more for pedestrian traffic.

Hallie Reed reported that she had called DOT and their information supports the fact that one-way streets are safer.

Tricia Lynn remarked that she felt that all the Canal Initiative projects are pedestrian oriented and one-way traffic along Canal Street supports that better.

Elaine Hartnagel reminded everyone that the two-way designs still included parking and sidewalks.

In light of no new comments, motion was made by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Salomon to adopt Local Law #1, 1999 making Canal Street into one-way.

*Discussion:* Trustee Celentano was the first to voice his opinion. He feels that the Village Board is not afraid to make changes but keeping it two-way would be better for business and the marina. He sees how busy Schoen Place is with pedestrian and vehicular traffic; it is two way and just as narrow as Canal Street.

Trustee DeVogelaere feels that for safety sake, Canal would be better left as two-way. According to Chief Dalton and residents along our other one-way streets, everyday someone disregards the one-way signs.

Trustee Gunkler was concerned that Canal Street would become a major parking lot if made a one-way.

Trustee Salomon agreed with the majority of the homeowners on Canal Street in favor of the one-way.

Mayor Wilson thought that one-way traffic pattern would restrict the general flow through the purposed historic commercial district and is favor of leaving Canal Street as is. Mayor Wilson asked for a roll call vote:

Mayor Wilson	nay	Trustee Celentano	nay	Trustee Gunkler	nay
		Trustee Salomon	aye	Trustee DeVogelaere	nay

Vote, 1 aye,4 nays. DEFEATED. (Local Laws 2 and 3 will now become 1 and 2, 1999.)

Mayor Wilson asked Mike Schaffron what the next step in the process will be. Mike said they will be putting together the budget to determine how far the project can go within the dollars available. They should have a rough concept together for the March meeting.

**RECESS:** Motion was made by Trustee Celentano to take a 10 minute recess after which the Board will go into executive session for discussion on a contract matter. Second by Trustee Gunkler. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**PUBLIC SESSION/ ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to reconvene public session and adjourn at 8:30 was made by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee DeVogelaere. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia M. Lynch  
Village Clerk

