# PUBLIC HEARING AND MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD PALMYRA TOWN HALL NOVEMBER 7, 2024

The following legal notice was prepared, posted at the Town Hall, on the website, and published in the Town's official newspaper:

# LEGAL NOTICE - TOWN OF PALMYRA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING and TOWN BOARD MEETING UPON PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that the Preliminary Budget of the Town of Palmyra for the fiscal year beginning January 2025 has been completed and filed in the Office of the Town Clerk, Palmyra Town Hall, 1180 Canandaigua Road, Palmyra, New York, where it is available for inspection by any interested persons during normal business hours.

**FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that the Town Board of the Town of Palmyra will meet and review said preliminary budget and hold a Public Hearing (and Town Board Meeting) thereon at the Palmyra Town Hall 1180 Canandaigua Rd, Palmyra, NY, at 7:00 PM on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2024. At this hearing any persons may be heard in favor of or against the Preliminary Budget as compiled, or for or against any item or items therein contained.

Pursuant to section 108 of the Town Law, the proposed salaries of the following Town Officers are hereby specified as follows:

Town Supervisor	\$ 35,844
Town Justices (2)	\$ 33,947
Town Councilpersons (4)	\$ 20,987
Town Clerk	\$ 59,397
Superintendent of Highways	\$ 90,038

Dated: October 1, 2024 By Order of the Town Board Irene E. Unterborn Palmyra Town Clerk

## PUBLIC HEARING

At 7:00 P.M., Supervisor Gary Rose called to order the hearing and regular town board meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at the Palmyra Town Hall, 1180 Canandaigua Road, Palmyra, New York.

Supervisor Rose led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Upon roll call, the following board members were present: Gary Rose, Supervisor James Welch, Deputy Supervisor Doug DeRue, Councilman Todd J. Pipitone, Councilman Brad Cook, Councilman Councilman Pipitone made the motion to waive the reading of the Legal Notice as it was found on the public agendas.

Second: Jim Welch	Vote: 4 Ayes. Carried
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### ATTENDANCE

Also attending were Gigit Graham and Casey Carpenter from the Wayne Times.

# PUBLIC HEARING

The Town Clerk read the rules of conducting a public hearing.

# CHANGES TO THE 2025 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

The Town Supervisor shared the changes that were made to the Preliminary Budget, as written below, and stated that these changes did not affect the tax rate.

	Change	es to the 2025 Preliminary Budget							
WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT (WWTPP)		Preliminary Budget		Adopted Budget		Difference			
Estimated Revenu 1001.23.000.00	Real Property Taxes	\$	111,788	\$	122,765	\$	10,977		
Budgeted Appropr	iations								
	Joint Sewer Project - Contract Expenditure	\$	111,788	\$	122,765	\$	10,977		
	LIBRARY DISTRICT	Preliminary Budget		Preliminary Budget		Adopted Budget		Difference	
	Palmyra Community Library	\$	321,000	\$	351,000	\$	30,000		

At 7:01 PM, Doug DeRue made the motion to open the public hearing.

Second: Todd Pipitone Vote: 4 Ayes. Carried

Supervisor Rose asked for comments from the public. Gigit Graham, who resides on Liberty Street in the village, presented the board with numerous budget questions. Her in-depth questions included Real Property Tax totals, justice expenditures, the need for an additional supervisor's clerk, cleaning contracts, traffic controls, landfill costs, snow removal, why town revenues were estimated higher, cost of WWTP and how many units, to only name a portion of them. Discussion ensued and the board fully addressed each of the 15 questions. Mrs. Graham stated that she had questions regarding the year-to-date spending report she had previously received from the bookkeeper (FOIL request). The board asked if she was prepared to ask those YTD questions as well. She was prepared, so there was further discussion, and once again, each of those points was addressed.

At 7:40 PM, after no additional people asked to speak, Doug DeRue made the motion to close the Public Hearing.

Second: Todd Pipitone Votes: 4 Ayes. Carried

### **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**COMMUNICATIONS** None for this evening.

#### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

None for this evening as they will be reported at the November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meeting.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS** None for this evening.

## AGENDA

**1. Approve: Final 2025 Budget**: Todd Pipitone made the motion to approve the Final 2025 Budget. Copies of the Preliminary 2025 Town Budget were available for public inspection, and distribution, since its approval at the Town Board meeting on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024. As presented, there will only be a .01 cent per thousand increase.

This was seconded by Doug DeRue, and a roll call vote was requested.

Councilman James Welch	Aye
Councilman Doug DeRue	Aye
Councilman Todd J. Pipitone	Aye
Councilman Brad Cook	Aye
Supervisor Gary Rose	Aye

Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried

2. Approve: Public Hearing Date for Local Law #2-2024, as well as a Joint Town and Village Meeting to discuss the Draft of the Comprehensive Plan, on Monday November 25, 2024: Todd Pipitone made the motion to approve a Public Hearing, as well as a Joint Town and Village Meeting date of Monday, November 25, 2024, at 6:30 PM, at the Palmyra Town Hall. The purpose is to discuss Local Law #2-2024: Authorization To Adopt Wayne County Local Law Allowing Enrolled Volunteer Firefighters And Volunteer Ambulance Workers To Be Eligible For A Real Property Tax Exemption, as well as a joint Town and Village to discuss the Comprehensive Plan

## **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

At 7:45 P.M., Todd Pipitone made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Doug DeRue Vote: 4 Ayes. Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Irene E. Unterborn Palmyra Town Clerk

# **NEXT MEETINGS:**

# PUBLIC HEARING AND JOINT TOWN & VILLAGE MEETING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2024 6:30 PM – PALMYRA TOWN HALL

# REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024 7:00 PM – PALMYRA TOWN HALL