

**VILLAGE OF PALMYRA**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
OCTOBER 7, 2024      6:30 PM  
REGULAR MEETING

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Mayor Husk, Trustees Leo, Luke and Perry. Trustee Denniston, and Attorney St. Martin were absent.

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Warren Frederick, *Fire Chief*; Kammy Catchman, Ryan Darling, Mikel Halling, *Fire Chief* (enter 6:39pm), Tracy Vanderwall

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Husk called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR FORMER TRUSTEE FRED CELENTANO**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Leo to approve the minutes of September 9, 2024. Vote, 3 ayes, Mayor Husk, Trustees Leo and Perry with 1 abstention, Trustee Luke. CARRIED.

**APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT** Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Luke to approve payment of 5A vouchers 25-00223 to 25-00302 for \$292,931.94 Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

**CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION**

The Village received the expected \$32,177 in AIM funds (Aid and Incentives for Municipalities)  
The Village was awarded a \$125,000 COPS (Community Oriented Policing Services) grant, one of only 4 municipalities in NY to receive this Federal Grant  
Wayne County Village Officials Meeting is on 10/16 in Newark RSVP by 10/11 if you want to attend  
On October 4, the Board was given:                      September- Capital Project and Reserve reports  
   Revenue and Expense report through 10/4  
   Bank and CD balances through 10/4

**TRUSTEE REPORTS**

**Trustee Denniston-** Excused

**Trustee Leo-** Monthly Fire Department calls on file in the Village Clerk's office. They are down from 47 calls last month to 28.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP FOR JOSEPH BROWN**  
as an exterior firefighter, pending proper paperwork was made by Trustee Leo, seconded by Trustee Luke Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

**Trustee Luke-** Brian Bieda from the Water Department said they finished rebuilding filter one at the water plant will be working on filter two over the winter. He said there are two active raw water breaks at this time, one at Swiss Chalet, and one out south on Johnson Road. Both aren't causing any operational problems at this time, so he is waiting on DPW to get these E Foster finished up. There are electrical problems at the marina pump station, and he wanted to know if we were aware of any grants that may be available that we could use to upgrade those facilities. He said all equipment is showing their 25-year age. MRB is starting the big sewer survey today.

She was forwarded an email regarding a Wayne County Real Estate Breakfast that would be helpful for the local merchants. Clerk-Treasurer Wetherby forwarded to all merchants she had emails for.

**Trustee Perry-** The Highway's work on East Foster Street continues including potential paving this week, weather allowing. Buildings and Grounds have been doing their cleanup of their areas and mowing. After mowing concludes in two weeks, they will be working on leaves. They completed their sixth time or seventh time doing string trimming this season as they wanted to get it done before they started leaves.

**Mayor Husk-** The ARC of Wayne County had an open house and ribbon cutting on the 18<sup>th</sup> attended by he, Trustee Perry, Chief DiNardo, Pam Helming and Brian Manktelow, among others.

On September 25<sup>th</sup>, The Hog & Hen had their grand opening and ribbon cutting sponsored by the Western Wayne County Chamber of Commerce. He was there to give them a certificate welcoming them to the Village as well as Trustee Perry and Luke.

Mayor Husk received a letter from Ironwood regarding their vegetation maintenance work they will be doing for NYSEG in the Village around the power lines. He did complete the survey asking them to take more care in how the trees will be trimmed and shaped versus how poorly it was done by other companies in previous years.

He asked Board to look over Park and Cemetery Ordinances before the next meeting so the Public Hearing could be set.

## **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

**Clerk-Treasurer Wetherby-** NY Forward/DRI Public Workshop was held October 1<sup>st</sup> at the library. She went for awhile in case attendees had question on projects

**Budget Amendments-** (for encumbrance purposes only. Actuals are used for budgeting.)

Decrease F1990.4 Contingency and increase F1910.4 Insurance \$5500

Increase G5031-Revenue-Interfund Transfer and increase G1910.4 Government Support \$60,000 (Sewer Study)

Decrease A1990.4 Contingency and increase A1920.4 Insurance \$5000

Decrease A1990.4 Contingency and increase A1989.4 Government Support \$13,000

Decrease A1990.4 Contingency and increase A1620.2 Buildings \$4,775

Decrease G1990.4 Contingency and increase G1920.4 Insurance \$6000

Motion to approve the above budget amendments was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Luke. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED

**First Assistant Fire Chief Hallings-** The Fire Department had their Open House earlier in September and turnout was good. They have stayed busy with calls including a call on the Canal path.

**Police Chief DiNardo-** 210 calls for September Juvenile complaints down substantially School is Homecoming and Harvest. There were two officers who assisted at the Purple Painted Lady Festival whose time will be completely reimbursed by the festival. There was no cost to the taxpayers.

## **OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

### **SETTING PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR THE RESTORE GRANT**

The Village of Palmyra would like to set a public hearing for November 18, 2024, at 6:30pm. The purpose of the hearing is to obtain citizens' views and comments relative to the submission of an application to Empire State Development for financial assistance under the Restore NY Communities Initiative. This project includes renovations and improvements to vacant property located at 235 Main Street in the Village. The following properties will be submitted for consideration: 235 Main Street, vacant mixed-use property, proposed for rehabilitation and construction.

### **PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM FOR SEWER STUDY**

**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 October 7, 2024, subject to Permissive Referendum as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED that a sum up to and not to exceed **SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS** (\$60,000) shall be expended from the Capital Sewer Reserve for the Sewer Pump Station and Collection System Study. **FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS** will be **returned to the Capital Sewer Reserve** when the Village is reimbursed by the NY State Environmental Facilities Corporation's Engineering Planning grant awarded for this project

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  
Rebecca G. Wetherby  
Village Clerk

Dated: October 7, 2024

Completion: November 6, 2024

Motion to approve the above permissive referendum was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Luke. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED

**PURCHASE OFFER FOR POLICE CAR GRANT:** Motion to approve a purchase order up to \$60,000 for a police car was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Luke. Vote, 3 ayes; Mayor Husk and Trustees Perry and Luke. CARRIED

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Next meeting will be October 21, 2024, at 6:30pm at the Village Hall. Motion was made by Trustee Perry and seconded by Trustee Luke to adjourn at 6:59 pm. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.