

VILLAGE OF PALMYRA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MARCH 4, 2024 6:00 PM
BUDGET WORKSHOP AND REGULAR MEETING

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Husk, Trustees Denniston, Leo, Luke and Perry
Absent: Attorney St. Martin,

OTHER ATTENDEES: Georgann Graham; Kyle DiNardo, *Chief of Police*; Warren Frederick, Mikel Hallings, and Lucas Schulla, *Fire Department Chiefs*; Ryan Darling, *Fire Department member*; Caroline Grasso, *Times of Wayne County*

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BUDGET WORKSHOP Discussion was had regarding the General, Water and Sewer Fund budgets. The current tax rate is \$9.914998

REGULAR MEETING started at 6:28pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Motion was made by Trustee Luke, seconded by Trustee Perry to approve the minutes of February 20, 2024, as submitted. Vote, 3 ayes; 2 abstentions, Trustees Denniston and Leo. CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Denniston to approve payment of 10A vouchers 24-00661 to 24-00690 for \$83,695.01 Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION

Notified that Wayne County Treasurer's Office will no longer be collecting Village and School tax bills during the month of November.

On 3/1 the Board was given:

- Revenue and Expense report as of 3/1
- Bank and CD balances as of 3/1
- February Capital Project and Reserve reports
- Water and Sewer draft budgets for 2024-2025

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Denniston – No report

Trustee Leo – Fire Department activity for February. Notably, they had 13 calls during the windstorm. Motion to approve Cody Bullock and Adam Muchay for membership in the Fire Department, after appropriate background is done, was made by Trustee Leo, seconded by Trustee Denniston. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED. Both are already trained as exterior firefighters and want to become certified as interior.

Trustee Luke- Village and Town Comprehensive Plan workshop is being held Wednesday, March 6th at the Palmyra Community Library. She asked everyone to share the survey on their social media.

Trustee Perry- East Foster Raw Water Line project is coming along well. Building and Grounds have been taking trees down. Police Department remodel (that was necessary for state compliance) is almost complete.

Chief Shulla: Automatic mutual Aid with East Palmyra has been going very well and they did OSHA training together. Mutual Aid with Marion and South Macedon is from 6:00am-6:00pm Monday-Friday and is only for structure fires.

Mayor Husk- On 3/11 Jim Reinhardt is having a presentation on the Solar eclipse. Call library to reserve. They are also having a defensive driving course. American Legion is having a Easter party. Mayor thanked Officer Bryant, Chief DiNardo and Police Clerk Burditt for giving kindergarteners a tour of the Village Hall.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Chief DiNardo: The Police Department had 314 calls of service for February including 10 juvenile arrests.

He met with Nick Welch regarding the June 1 country music festival.

SUV purchased in October (fully paid for by grant money) was put into service this past week after outfitting was completed. Entire SUV outfitting was also covered by grant except for \$94.

Fairgrounds is holding an Eclipse Festival from 10:00am-6:00pm on April 8.

Motion to surplus 5 items in evidence cleared by State Police was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Luke. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

Motion for Chief DiNardo and Officer Ronald Hall to attend select days of the NYTOA conference (April 16-19), to obtain teaching certifications for training the officers, was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Luke. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED The courses and other expenses are covered by an Active Shooter grant we received.

Chief DiNardo is hoping to hire more part time officers to help with coverage and to take advantage of grant funds to cover payroll. Deputy Mayor Perry and Mayor Husk asked to table that discussion until the next meeting.

There was criminal mischief today on the Canal Trail and on Willow. The Building and Grounds crew cleaned it up this afternoon.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

HIRE PART TIME POLICE OFFICER, SARAH BECKER: Motion to hire Sarah Becker as a part time Police Officer was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Leo. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED. S. Becker formerly worked at the Wayne County Sheriff's Office and has a background in mental health. She can currently work 20 hours per week. Mayor asked to have her attend the next meeting to meet the Board.

VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION Mayor Husk asked the Board members to look over information sent to them regarding this topic so that a discussion can be had at the next meeting.

SEXTON BUILDING APARTMENT Tenants submitted notice that they will be vacating the Sexton Building apartment at the end of March.

PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM FOR RAW WATER LINE PROJECT ON EAST FOSTER STREET

PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM

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 March 4, 2024, subject to Permissive Referendum as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED that a sum up to and not to exceed **ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS** (\$120,000) shall be expended from the Capital Water Reserve for the Raw Water line project. Should all funds not be expended by completion of the project, the unused funds will be returned to the Capital Water Reserve.

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

Dated: March 4, 2024

Completion: April 3, 2024

Motion for the above Permissive Referendum was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Denniston. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED This notice will be published in this weekend's *Times of Wayne County*.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None was held.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Leo to adjourn at 7:14pm. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Wetherby
Clerk Treasurer