

VILLAGE OF PALMYRA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 9, 2023 6:30 PM
REGULAR MEETING

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

OTHER ATTENDEES: Mikel Hallings and Lucas Schulla, *Fire Chiefs*; Eidman, *Fire Dept.* Georgeann Graham, Tracy Vanderwall, Linda Valley, Mary Anne Smith-Williams, Adrian Sullivan, Caroline Grasso-*Wayne County Times*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ATTORNEY APPOINTMENT: St. Martin Law Firm, represented by Attorney Matthew St. Martin, to be appointed as the Village Attorney effective January 1- December 4, 2023. Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Wartens. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Trustee Leo, seconded by Trustee Perry to approve the minutes from December 5th and 19th, 2022. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.
Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Wartens to approve the Abstract Approval minutes from December 20th, 2022. Vote, 3 ayes and 2 abstentions (Trustees Leo and Luke.) CARRIED

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT: Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Wartens to approve payment of **ABSTRACT 8A** vouchers **23-00515 to 23-00571** for \$ **108,294.69** Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED

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CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION-

Revenue and Expense report through 12/23 and November Capital Project and Reserve reports were sent to Board on 12/27

Revenue and Expense report through 1/6 and December Capital Project and Reserve reports were sent to Board on 1/6

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

JOHNATHAN RODMAN: Did not attend the meeting.

TRACY VANDERWALL: Questions on results of her FOIL request regarding WWTP.

APPROVAL OF GARLOCK RAW WATER PURCHASE CONTRACT: The contract is for 10 years (1/1/23-12/31/32). Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Wartens. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED

BUDGET CALENDAR: Budget Workshops from 6:00-6:30pm February 6, February 21, March 6 and March 20. Tentative Public Hearing date is on April 3.

RESOLUTION: ADOPTING REVISED SCHEDULE OF INCOME ELIGIBILITY LEVELS FOR THE VILLAGE OF PALMYRA REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR PERSONS SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND VILLAGE CODE § 172-16: Public Hearing was held December 19, 2022.

RESOLVED, pursuant to the provisions of Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law, that the Village Board of the Village of Palmyra does hereby adopt the following revised schedule of maximum income eligibility levels for the Village real property tax exemption for persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older; not, therefore, be it

Annual Income Range	Exemption Percentage
\$16,100 or less	50% exemption
More than \$16,100, but less than \$17,100	45% exemption
\$17,100, or more, but less than \$18,100	40% exemption
\$18,100 or more, but less than \$19,100	35% exemption
\$19,100 or more, but less than \$20,000	30% exemption
\$20,000 or more, but less than \$20,900	25% exemption
\$20,900 or more, but less than \$21,800	20% exemption
\$21,800 or more, but less than \$22,700	15% exemption
\$22,700 or more, but less than \$23,600	10% exemption
\$23,600 or more, but less than \$24,500	5% exemption

\$24,500 or more

Not Eligible

RESOLVED, to also include the municipal option -- any person otherwise qualifying under this section shall not be denied the exemption under this section if they become sixty-five years of age after the appropriate taxable status date and on or before December thirty-first of the same year.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately and shall apply to assessment rolls prepared on the basis of taxable status dates occurring on or after January 1, 2023.

Motion was made Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Warters Vote, 4 ayes. **CARRIED**
DECISION ON DECEMBER 19, 2022 PUBLIC HEARING ON PALMYRA VILLAGE CODE §144-8 SEWER AND WATER RENTAL CHARGES Motion was made by Trustee Perry to not increase rental charges, seconded by Trustee Warters. Vote, 4 ayes. **CARRIED**
BUDGET AMENDMENTS: A3501 (CHIPS Revenue) and A5112.2 (CHIPS Expense) to \$249,045.54 each and A1990.4 (Contingency) to A3310.4 (Traffic Control) in the amount of \$1305 Motion was made by Trustee Luke, seconded by Trustee Perry. Vote, 4 ayes.

CARRIED

CAPITAL PROJECTS:

Closing Capital Project H24- Canal Trail Connector which has a zero balance.

Closing Capital Project H87-Lead and Copper Study which has a balance of \$14,398.04 to be moved to water fund savings from where the project was funded.

Closing Capital Project H88-WWTP Engineer Planning which has a zero balance.

Moving all funds from Capital Project H41 Façade Improvement, which has a balance of \$447.59, to Capital Project H89 ESC Projects which makes the H89 balance \$1099.31.

Closing Capital Project H41 Façade Improvement which now has a zero balance.

Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Luke for the above actions. Vote, 4 ayes. **CARRIED**

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Leo- No report

Trustee Luke- No report

Trustee Perry- No report

Trustee Warters- Fire Department calls for December will be on file in the Village Clerk's office. Motion for membership approval of Fire Department Exterior applicants Christopher Bach and Justin Bonfield pending physical and training was made by Trustee Warters, seconded by Trustee Perry. Vote, 4 ayes. **CARRIED**

Explorer program: Thursday was the first program meeting with the new representative for Boy Scouts. Sunday they had their first training.

Attorney St. Martin- No report

Mayor Husk- Spoke briefly with the Fire Chiefs and Mr. Eidman regarding a State passed property tax exemption for volunteer firefighters. Mayor Husk would like the board to look it over and discuss at next meeting. Chief DiNardo requesting the Board go into Executive Session for contractual and personnel.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: As there were no further regular items to be discussed, a motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Warters to go into executive session for discussion of contracts and personnel at 7:00pm Vote, 4 ayes. **CARRIED**

Mayor Husk declared the return to public session at 7:50pm.

HIRING OF JACOB ZANGERLE as a Police Officer to replace Officer Younglove effective February 1. Motion was made by Trustee Warters, seconded by Trustee Perry Vote, 4 ayes. **CARRIED**

SETTING CONTRACTUAL RATE FOR POLICE SERVICES: Contractual rate will be \$50 per hour for non-profit organizations, and \$75 per hour for profit organizations. Motion was made by Trustee Luke, seconded by Trustee Leo. Vote, 4 ayes. **CARRIED**

HIRING FOUR PART TIME PER DIEM POLICE OFFICERS, pending civil service and background approval, at the rate of \$28.00 per hour. The officers are Joseph Compton, Heath Wadhams, Scott Petters and Rick Schoeberlin. Motion to hire them was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Warters. Vote, 4 ayes. **CARRIED**

ADJOURNMENT: Next meeting will be on January 23 at 6:30pm at the Village Hall. Motion was made by Trustee Leo, seconded by Trustee Perry to adjourn at 7:53pm. Vote, 4 ayes. **CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Wetherby Clerk Treasurer