

VILLAGE OF PALMYRA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JULY 7, 2025 6:00 PM
REGULAR MEETING

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Perry, Trustee Denniston, Leo, Luke and Parkison. Attorney St. Martin was absent.

OTHER ATTENDEES: David Augustine, Kammy Catchman, James Elliott, Georgeann Graham, David Husk, Jayden Shulla, Robin Knorr (left after she spoke)

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Perry called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REGULAR MEETING

PUBLIC COMMENT – Robin Knorr -Paving on Tremont Street

I've talked to Mike a couple of times over the last year, and I think our neighbors have too, about Tremont Street, and it's just deteriorated to the point where the street sweeper came; it was just pulling up all along the houses. And then there's big chunks of debris at the ends of the driveway. All the time. And when it rains, the water comes down like two feet out to the road. It's a storm drain can't handle it and we've been there. I don't think it's been paved in over 15 years.

I'd have to look it up. I'm not sure how long. But it means something must be done. And I know that we don't have a lot of houses on our street, so it seems like there's other priorities to get other streets done, but something needs to be done. Um, and resources are low but they need to do some work on it. The sewers backed up into our basement twice over the years. So we put a shut off in the basement so the sewer can not back up into the basement again. So sometimes we smell sewage, because the storm drains at the end of our driveway. And I'll come and take a look to see how high up it is. And it was blocked all the way up the street from Main Street. And Pulcini's came in and pumped it. I want to say within the last five years, so there needs to be some work. Okay. It seems to be falling on there's not the resources but we're paying pretty good village taxes, so I think that something should be done. I just wanted to bring it up.

Mayor Perry: Ms. Knorr, before you sit down, what house on Tremont, where do you live in?

Robin Knorr: I'm in the last one, Al Guerrero's house. It's at the very end.

Mayor Perry: Where the turnaround is down there?

Robin Knorr: No turn around. It just goes, there's a garden right there. That's where the plows normally come down to and then turn back. And by the way, the stop sign is illegible. You cannot read the stop sign at the end of the street. It's completely white. So cars come racing down there and the sign needs to be replaced. The storm drain... And I

know they said that it would be by the day that the water would have to be redone, sewer would have to be redone. It was built in 1955, so it's been there for a long time.

Mayor Perry: Thank you. I will reach out to Mike tomorrow. You have my word on that.

Robin Knorr: Okay. And I had talked to him, and he's like, we just don't have the resources.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Trustee Leo, seconded by Trustee Luke to approve the minutes of June 16, 2025, as submitted. Vote, 4 ayes CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT Motion was made by Trustee Denniston, seconded by Trustee Parkison, to approve 2A vouchers 26-00047 through 26-00106 for **\$122,261.20** Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION

- Nancy Bruening retired/resigned as a Crossing Guard effective June 30. We will be honoring her 37 years of service at the September meeting.
- Michael Reed resigned effective June 27
- Mary Piccola retired effective June 10 with 21 years of service.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Parkison- Four building permits and two COCs were issued in code. At the ZBA meeting for 555 West Main Street, they will construct a privacy fence for screening and no use of Aqueduct park driveway for trucking dumpsters in and out. Five violation letters were sent.

Trustee Denniston- No report

Trustee Leo- Fire Department report: 27 total events, with an average response time under 7 minutes. There were 5 alarm activations and 5 personal injury calls.

J. Shulla- Fire Department

The fire department responded quickly to a structure fire at 1224 Rolfe St., where a girl initially entered the building to rescue her siblings and became trapped by the flames. The firefighters arrived within minutes, established water supply, and fought the fire, which was largely contained within 20 minutes. Multiple agencies, including EMS and police, coordinated efforts, with mutual aid arriving later to assist with hot spots. The fire was fully extinguished after about an hour and 20 minutes, with most of the house still salvageable. The community played a significant role, with bystanders providing support, and off-duty firefighters offering additional help. The response to a previous fire on Parker Road was also quick, with a fire contained within 30 minutes. The community and all involved are recognized and thanked for their teamwork and resilience.

Mentioned upcoming walkthrough with Wayne ARC for fire safety updates and training on boat, UTV, and brush truck operations

Discussed the importance of businesses providing Fire Department access keys/lockboxes

Trustee Leo made the motion to approve a new exterior firefighter application for Jenna Ellis pending any backgrounds and physicals. This was seconded by Trustee Denniston. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

Trustee Luke The wastewater treatment plant is now operational and WCWSA is evaluating sludge drying options as most landfills are not accepting sludge anymore. The municipalities received the money back from WCWSA. That money was deposited into the Village's wastewater treatment plant savings account to be used to pay for the WCWSA annual bill and to keep the contributions from the residents low.

There were three raw water line leaks last week, two in the middle of Johnson Road, just south of the location of the new pipe that was installed, and one on the north end of the Division Street Bridge. Wayne County Water Sewer crew had to repair all three, so I want to thank them for their help there. DPW was short-staffed, so it was great for them to help us with that.

Mayor Perry Building and Grounds is continuing regular mowing, string trimming, burials, foundations and cemetery maintenance. Highway is repairing roads for slurry sealing, trying a new pre-stone approach on some roads and continuing with brush pickup.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Police Chief-Kyle DiNardo

- Reported 597 calls for service in June, including 193 traffic stops and 58 traffic details
- Requested pricing for a traffic monitoring camera at the four corners
- Provided updates on the recent Concert and Fair planning
- Discussed several juvenile incidents, proposing a diversion program for minor offenses
 - Requires agreement from parents and victims
 - Awaiting feedback from the Village Attorney on feasibility

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

APPROVING APPLICATION FOR CORRECTED TAX ROLL

WHEREAS, applications for correction of tax rolls in relation to parcels of property identified below have been filed with the Director of Real Property Tax Services ("Director"); and WHEREAS, the Director investigated the circumstances of the claimed errors on the tax rolls and recommends that the applications be approved; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, pursuant to Article 5, Title 3 of the Real Property Tax Law, the applications are approved and the officers having jurisdiction of the tax rolls are hereby authorized to make the following corrections:

VILLAGE OF PALMYRA

2025 Account No. 64111-11-502713

Assessed to: Heather Smith

Total Tax Difference \$559.51

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Corrected Total Tax: \$2,350.51

2025 Account No. 64111-11-708726
Assessed to: Holly Haskins-Fehr
Total Tax Difference -537.36
Total Village Tax Difference: -\$537.36
Corrected Total Tax: \$2,122.54

2025 Account No. 64111-11-517708
Assessed to: Shane and Rebecca Rhoades
Total Tax Difference -\$22.15
Total Village Tax Difference: -\$22.15
Corrected Total Tax: \$1,170.94

Total Village Tax Difference is \$0.

Motion to accept was made by Trustee Luke, seconded by Trustee Denniston. Vote, 4 ayes CARRIED.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Due to refund from prior year so funds can be spent this year, increase \$501.50 in revenue line A-2701 (Refund of Prior Year Expenditure) and increase expenditure line A3120.419 (Police Uniforms) by \$501.50.

Due to NYSERDA grant expenditure, increase revenue line A-3089-ENERG (NYSERDA grant) by \$6500 and increase expenditure line A1620.4 (Buildings) by \$6500.

Motion was made by Trustee Parkison, seconded by Trustee Leo to approve the budget adjustments above. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: As there were no further regular items to be discussed, a motion was made by Trustee Luke, seconded by Trustee Leo to go into Executive Session for discussion of personnel at 6:47pm. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED. There will be no action taken after Executive Session.

Mayor Perry declared the return to public session at 7:29pm

ADJOURNMENT Motion was made by Trustee Luke, seconded by Trustee Denniston to adjourn at 7:30pm. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED. Next meeting will be August 4, 2025 at 6:00pm at the Village Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Wetherby, Clerk Treasurer

NEXT MEETING: August 4, 2025 at 6:00pm

We ask that you be courteous to those who are speaking and not talk amongst yourselves. If you need to have a conversation, please step into the hallway so that you do not disturb others who are trying to listen.

****Please see handout at sign in table with information on Public Comment Rules for Village Meetings**

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