

**VILLAGE OF PALMYRA BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING**

June 7, 1999

6:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Wilson, Trustees Gunkler, Celentano, Salomon and DeVogelaere.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT:** Motion by Trustee Gunkler to approve payment of Abstract #1 for vouchers 1-15 for \$14, 262.37 pending the appropriate signatures. Second by Trustee DeVogelaere. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Motion by Mayor Wilson, second by Trustee Gunkler to approve the minutes from May 17, 1999. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

**CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The following correspondence has been received and is on file at the Village Clerk's office:

1. NYS Canal Cruise and Trail Trek schedule.
2. A report from Sniedze Associates with flow test results for Hyde Parkway and Foster Street.
3. Brown Associates - an outline of upcoming grant opportunities.
4. There will be an Executive Session meeting on Saturday, June 12 at 8:00 am for contract discussions.

**TRUSTEE REPORTS:** Trustee Salomon had planned a permissive referendum to purchase water meters but after some thought, he recommends that the Village have ST Environmental pay for them out of the O & M account instead of doing these small permissive referendums. At the end of the year, we can tally up what has been spent on these small expenditures and do one permissive referendum at that time. Trustee Salomon deferred to Bob Raeman, Sniedze Associates for the remainder of his report.

Bob Raeman discussed the flow test results from Hyde Parkway and Foster Street. The flows have more than doubled since the replacement of the water lines on Hyde and Foster. When tested after the project was completed the test hydrant was rated at 940 gallons per minute at 20 PSI. It was actually better than 20 PSI but 20 PSI is the standard of the Department of Health.

Bob has been meeting with Dan Wooden, Bob Grier of the Building Department, Nelson Cook with the Highway Department, Steve Stauffer, ST Environmental, Ed Bastian, WCWSA and Marty Aman, of MRB to discuss the design of construction standards. The Town of Palmyra has had a set to go by but the Village didn't. They put together Article 2 - Town & Village of Palmyra Public Works Requirements. This manual provides the minimum criteria for the design and construction of improvements or public works specifications, which may be offered for dedication to the Town or Village for perpetual operation and maintenance. Copies of the manual were to be distributed to the Board for review. It is hoped these specifications can be adopted at the June 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

The Town will be ready to go online with the new water storage tank by October 31, 1999. However, the Village will not be ready to supply water to the tank until the first of the year because the connection going under the Canal won't be completed until then. Although it does not present a problem, the Village can not update its system until the Town is ready to accept the water. The increase in size of the pumps will not work with the system in its present condition. We have received a quote from the original maker of the pumps, which is \$8,552.00. This quote may not be honored in 2000 but it should be close. The Village can award the work because it is well under the limit requiring a competitive bid.

There is no anticipated start date yet for the Division sewer project (from the Industrial Park into the Village). The Town of Palmyra should be hearing about the grant results within the next month. If it is approved, it won't happen until at least 2000.

Completion of Birdsall Parkway was discussed. Kevin DuVall submitted a quote of \$3000 to reconstruct the road, which is actually less than what the highway department could do it for. This can be approved as part of the original contract through a change order. Motion by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Gunkler, to authorize Rylbrook to reconstruct the road surface of Birdsall Parkway from manhole to manhole (roughly 190'). Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

The Manchester portion of the Curran Road water line project has been launched. However, the deadline for bringing Hill Cumorah on line before the pageant will not be met, so the Curran Road section will be moved up on the schedule. It is scheduled to be started in early July.

**Trustee DeVogelaere** reported that the Parks & Cemetery Department personnel have completed the training for the Department of Labor.

**Trustee Celentano** reported that the Highway Department intends to resurface Canandaigua Street between Main and Jackson this year. DOT will provide the paver, binder and topping, the Highway Dept. will mill it. It is scheduled for June 20 and 21 and should cost about \$4000.00. Nelson would like to cap East Foster before it is completely beyond hope which should run about \$14,000.

**Trustee Gunkler** moved that Lesley Ann Burgo Bruening be accepted as a member of the Fire Department, Ambulance only, pending the appropriate physical and training. Second by Trustee Celentano. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED. The twenty-year-old snorkel has been sold for \$3000 and should be picked up on Wednesday. We should be taking delivery of the new rescue truck by the end of the month. There are three interested parties in the truck that is being replaced.

**CANANDAIGUA WATERSHED MGT. PLAN** Kevin Olvaney and George Barden addressed the Board regarding the watershed management plan. Kevin passed out the draft copy of the plan and attempted to explain to the Board what the requested additional funds would be used for.

As a member of the Watershed Commission, the Village currently pays \$7,760.00 which funds George Barden's program and pays for the testing of every septic system in the watershed boundaries. The testing and sampling program costs \$1500.00 per year. This program provides critical information on where the problem areas are with the watershed. Without this information, pollution sources would go unknown.

They are requesting \$508.92 over the next 6 months to fund the continuance of Kevin's program that eventually will initiate implementation of the Water Management Plan. Over 90% of the communities have agreed to the continuation of the program. Come January 1, the Village will be requested to contribute \$5,004.41 a year over the next 5 years to implement the plan and pay for the testing and sampling program (an increase of \$3500). However, the Management Plan will address 14 other areas of possible sources of pollution such as agriculture, residential pesticides, development sites, road salting procedures, hazardous waste sites and landfills.

Part of the discussion centered on the Village's inability to obtain grants for improvements on the transmission line from the lake into Palmyra. Items like this can be listed in the Management Plan and part of Kevin's responsibility will be to work with the participating communities on grant applications. Mr. Barden feels that the DEC will give priority for grant funding to municipalities that have a plan in place.

Mayor Wilson commented that he couldn't help but feel that some of this was a duplication of services. Doesn't the DEC do testing? Kevin said there are just not enough DEC inspectors to go around. There are some 10,000 lakes in the state. George Barden explained that the septic testing that he does is a regulatory activity. The plan addresses areas of pollution that don't fall under any health regulations such as agriculture.

Trustee Salomon reminded Mr. Barden that the Village is very serious about what happens to the lake. We have been purveyors of the lake for over 85 years. The Village is also irked by our allocations being questioned by the DEC especially when they only look at potable water. We also supply raw water to industry that provides jobs to residents.

The highest and best use of the lake is as a water supply. Hopefully, this plan will help to safeguard the quality of the lake for generations to come. Kevin invited the Board to review the draft plan and submit any comments to him by June 20<sup>th</sup>. The Mayor thanked Kevin and George for their time.

**AUDIT:** Mayor Wilson announced that the findings from the recent audit had been received from the State Comptrollers office and will be on file for public inspection.

**LGRMIF:** Because the sunset on the Records Management Improvement Fund is about to come about, Mayor Wilson offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund was created in 1989 to provide technical assistance and grants to establish, improve or enhance records management programs in New York's more than 4300 local government, and

WHEREAS, a sunset date for the LGRMIF was established in the original legislation to permit its operation as a five-year experiment, and

WHEREAS, the LGRMIF operated successfully and supported essential advisement and grants projects signally to improve the management of records and information in local governments, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Legislature in 1995 extended the sunset date to December 31, 2000, and

WHEREAS, the LGRMIF and the programs it supports continue to operate at a high standard of excellence and provide direct and significant benefit to local governments at no cost to the taxpayers, and

WHEREAS, Village of Palmyra has benefited from technical assistance, training, publications, and 6 grants totaling \$69,522.00 supported by the LGRMIF, and

WHEREAS, the LGRMIF continues to be critically important in the fulfillment of the many records and information related responsibilities of local government name, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Palmyra supports the elimination of said sunset provision of December 31, 2000 in order to extend the LGRMIF for five more years.

Second by Trustee Celentano. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

Mayor Wilson asked for any public comments on any other matters. Resident Vicky Daly suggested that the Village should consider doing a community events calendar. After reading a couple of different publications, she found that the only museums that were listed were the Mormon Visitor Center and the Joseph Smith Farm and there was no mention of the Spring Fest.

Steve Buchiere, EDC, thanked the Board for their support of the Spring Fest.

Motion to take a recess after which the Board would enter executive session for discussion of contract negotiations.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Trustee Celentano, second by Trustee Gunkler to re-enter public forum and adjourn at 9:00 pm. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia M. Lynch  
Village Clerk

