

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

November 2, 1998 6:30 p.m.

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

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES: Motion by Trustee Gunkler, second by Trustee Celentano to approve the minutes from October 19, 1998 amending last paragraph on first page as follows: change *phase will cost \$556,000* (not \$556,00). Vote, 4 ayes, Trustee DeVogelaere abstained. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following correspondence has been received and is on file at Village Hall:

Letter of resignation from Municipal Historian Bob Lowe.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. November 30th - Stu Brown will give an instructional class on the HUD loan applications. 5-7 pm at Village Hall.
2. November 23rd - Stu Brown/LaBella Associates and Canal Street Committee will meet 5 -7 pm at Village Hall on Canal Street project.
3. November 16th Village Board meeting will be postponed to November 19th Room 501, Pal-Mac High School which will feature a presentation by Jay Harding on the Aldrich change bridge.
4. Mayor Wilson announced the appointment of Joyce Dutton as chair of the Canal Street committee replacing Art Ainsworth.
5. Mayor Wilson also announced the appointment of Irene Unterborn as chair of the Economic Development Committee replacing Jace Hudak.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Gunkler - No report.

Trustee Celentano - Hwy. Superintendent Nelson Cook will be meeting with FEMA representative regarding the Labor Day storm. The Village should be reimbursed approximately \$5,000 to \$7,000 for expenses due to the storm. Jackson Street is very close to completion. Sidewalk repair will continue weather permitting and the department will continue picking up leaves.

Trustee DeVogelaere - offered a thank you to the Fire Department for helping to replace the flag on the pole. The rope was wrapped around too much for the Cemetery Department to get it down. The issue of the fence behind Village Hall is in the hands of legal counsel.

Trustee Salomon - No report.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

PROCEDURES FOR POLICE/FIRE ESCORTS: Last year the Village Board received a couple of complaints regarding the procedure of escorting teams/groups to and from special events such as the sectionals. It was felt that the horns/sirens blasting raised unnecessary concern especially at the late hour in which the Select Choir returned after competition. In view of the public comment received, Mayor Wilson thought the Village Board should create a procedure to follow in the future. He feels it is important to recognize the students in some way. Several options were discussed and guidelines were established as follows:

Escorts leaving from the school will be allowed the same as in the past, providing they occur prior to 6:00 pm. This includes one pass down Hyde Parkway from the High School, and down and back up Main Street. Escorts after 6:00 pm will still be allowed providing the emergency vehicles use no horns or sirens. Mayor Wilson moved to adopt the guidelines as outlined, second by Trustee Salomon. Vote: 5 ayes. CARRIED.

Mayor Wilson directed the Village Clerk to notify the Fire Chief and the School.

It was also noted that it would be helpful if the papers would write an article notifying the general public of the new guidelines.

SURPLUS - FIRE EQUIPMENT: Motion by Mayor Wilson, second by Trustee Gunkler to declare the Ford snorkel and the "old pumper" surplus. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Elaine Hartnagel of the Economic Development Committee reported that the responses are coming in steadily in preparation of putting together the business directory.

Joyce Dutton thanked Trustee DeVogelaere for responding to her inquiry about the replacement of the roof on the phone company building on Canal St. She inquired why some residents on Jackson Street are getting sidewalks out to the street from the sidewalk (in between the curb and the street). Mayor Wilson assured her that the project called for replacing those that already had one in place, if others have been added there must be a good reason for it. She reported that some residents are not at all happy with the seeding that is or is not being done to their lawn. Mayor Wilson said in all likelihood the seeding would not be completed until spring and money would be withheld from the final payment to the contractors until it was done.

Michele Hall urged the Board to find a solution to the flooding of the creek in Jim Campbell Park. She represented her father who resides at 360 West Foster Street. The Board agreed to look into this matter further and get back to her.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Trustee Celentano to adjourn at 7:05 pm. Second by Trustee Gunkler. Vote, 5 ayes. CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia M. Lynch
Village Clerk