

VILLAGE OF PALMYRA BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING

November 16, 2020 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Husk, Trustees Luke, Nolan and Perry. Trustee Wartens excused.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REGULAR MEETING

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Motion was made by Trustee Luke, seconded by Trustee Perry to approve the minutes from November 2, 2020. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT: Motion was made by Trustee Nolan, seconded by Trustee Perry to approve payment of 6B, vouchers 517-557 for \$ 215,232.36 Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation renewed State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit. Below is excerpt Mayor Husk read.

“On September 21, 2020 the Department received an application to renew the above-referenced State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) permit. The application was timely and sufficient. Therefore, the current permit will remain in effect in accordance with the State Administrative Procedures Act. The Department will, at some point in the future, undertake a full technical review of the SPDES discharge to determine the need to incorporate new permit requirements under the Federal Clean Water Act.” Mayor Husk said this means that we must have quality water being discharged from our treatment plant into the canal.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Luke – Patrick Nicoletta from MRB sent to her and Michael Boesel, Highway Superintendent, a response from SHPO (NYS Historic Preservation Office) that the Terminal Wall project will have no adverse impact so no further action required. P. Nicoletta will forward this response to Canal Corp for their reference. So there are no historic or environmental issues for the Terminal Wall project. Trustee Perry asked if the project is on the schedule for the Highway Department. Trustee Luke will check with M. Boesel to find out when it will be on schedule but knows that M. Boesel is aware that it must be completed by December 31, 2021. Mayor Husk asked about services in the invoice from MRB. Trustee Luke said it was due to changes and updates in Terminal Wall plan.

Trustee Nolan – Monthly operating report for wastewater (Report on file at Village Hall) Mayor Husk asked if he had heard a response from Macedon regarding the letter he had sent to the Macedon Town Supervisor regarding past due balance for Burnham

Heights services. P. Nolan had not. On November 12, R. Wetherby had spoken to the Town of Macedon Assessor who had said the Supervisor would be reaching out to us soon. Trustee Luke expressed concern that some of these bills are dating back to 2018 and that they should be paying the bill whether or not they have received the money from residents. The amount currently owed by the Town of Macedon is \$ 6887.57. We are supposed to receive roughly \$800-900 per quarter. Trustee Perry suggested in future billing we state they have 30 days to pay. If there continues to be no response the next letter to them will be from Attorney Williams. Though they would much rather settle it amicably with the Town. The Board will give the Town of Macedon until the December 7th board meeting at which they will discuss further actions.

Trustee Warters – excused. Mayor Husk presented monthly fire calls for October (on file in Village Hall). Fire Trucks were in for inspections and pump tests.

Trustee Perry – Trustee Perry continued conversation on fire truck repairs as there was an expensive repair recently. He stated that the issue was found because we do inspections. We aren't aren't legally required to do inspections, but they help us find items like this before it becomes a bigger problem.

Attorney Williams – Excused

Mayor Husk- Mayor Husk received a thank you note and picture from the American Legion. The American Legion Honor Guard used crosswalk put in near their building to and said it looked good, Dr. Ike, Palmyra-Macedon School's Superintendent, sent a thank you to the Village Board stating parents were appreciative of looking out for the safety for the residents and the children.

Contacted NYSEG regarding the two poles that still need LED fixtures. NYSEG said not they are not Village owned poles. Mayor Husk said they were and took pictures, sending them to NYSEG. NYSEG will be sending a field rep out. One is in the Breen's parking lot and the other is on Johnson Street. They said they do not see those poles on their billing. Mayor asked they either send out the representative or make sure we aren't being charged for them. Trustee Perry asked if we had heard anything from NY Power Authority. Mayor Husk let him know any communications they send he lets NYPA know it is in the attorney's hands. Trustee Perry wanted to know if they are adding any additional charges. Mayor Husk said it is the same amount they have been asking for.

Mayor Husk sent Governor Cuomo correspondence to consider Executive 203, Police Reform Reinvention, be postponed until further into 2021 due to Covid-19 gathering limits. It is currently limited to 10 people in a building. Mayor Husk also included in the correspondence that he felt that it is punishing municipalities with police departments because if they don't act Cuomo will take away state funding. Mayor Husk feels it's not appropriate as it's another state mandate that puts the protection of residents of the state of NY in jeopardy.

He received an email back from his office thanking him for his concerns and they will look into it.

2021 PREMIUMS FOR MEDICAL AND DENTAL

R. Wetherby gave out the 2021 premiums for medical and dental as well the spreadsheet to see what effect they would have on the budget. Dental premiums went down as the

current plan was discontinued. This new plan also has 4 Tiers (Subscriber, Subscriber and Spouse, Subscriber and Children, and Family) versus the 2 Tiers currently so that is a savings for us and our employees. Due to this new plan some of the retirees will not pay a dental premium, as the amount that the Village guaranteed to be paid towards their dental is more than the actual dental premium. The savings the Village has from the dental premium going down (about \$2600) helps offset some of the cost of the Medical premium going up (about \$6342).

RESOLUTION TO SURPLUS CROWN VICTORIA CURRENTLY USED BY CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Motion was made by Trustee Nolan, seconded by Trustee Perry to approve sealed bid process when the 2021 Ford Police Interceptor is ready to go into service and striping taken off police car being transferred to Code Enforcement.

Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF DAVID OAKLEY FROM 14-4- ASSISTANT CHIEF

D. Oakley will stay on as an interior firefighter. Motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Nolan. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT WCWSA LAND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

In consideration of the joint Waste Water Treatment Project (WWTP) and in consideration of Wayne County Water and Sewer Authority(WCWSA) taking over the maintenance and operation of the WWTP and based upon the appraisal, the Village hereby agrees to transfer title to said property to WCWSA for the appraised price of \$75,000. Motion was made by Trustee Perry and seconded by Trustee Luke to have Mayor David Husk sign the land contract. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: As there were no further regular items to be discussed, motion was made by Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Nolan to go into executive session for discussion of personnel and possible disciplinary action of employee at 6:58 pm. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

Mayor Husk declared the return to public session.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Trustee Perry and seconded by Trustee Luke to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

Via electronic vote:

MOTION TO APPROVE HIRING OF MICHAEL REED as Seasonal-Laborer for the Highway Department at \$16.00 per hour. Motion was made by Trustee Luke and seconded by Trustee Perry. Vote, 3 ayes. CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Wetherby
Clerk Treasurer