

VILLAGE OF PALMYRA BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
BUDGET HEARING  
REGULAR MEETING  
March 15, 2010          7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Mayor Daly, Trustees Bradstreet, Husk, Nolan and Piccola, Attorney Williams and Roy McMaster, Capital Market Advisors.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Daly called the public hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. noting the following legal was published in the official Village newspaper on March 10:

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
2010-2011

The Village of Palmyra will hold a public hearing (in conjunction with the regular board meeting) on Monday, March 15, 2010 at 7:00 pm. The hearing will be held in the Trustee's Room of the Village Hall, 144 East Main Street, Palmyra, Wayne County, New York.

The hearing is for the purpose of allowing the Village residents to provide the Board of Trustees written or oral comments or ask questions on the tentative 2010-2011 budgets of the Village funds.

Compensation proposed to be paid each member of the Village Trustees is \$4,532; and to the Mayor \$5,665. A copy of the "Tentative 2010-2011 Budget" will be on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Village Clerk during normal office hours.

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Village Clerk Treasurer

Mayor Daly turned the floor over to Roy McMaster, Capital Market Advisors. Mr. McMaster briefly reviewed the General, Water, and Sewer funds. The proposed tax rate for 2010-2011 will be \$11.77 per thousand; a \$.27 increase from last year. Mayor Daly asked for comments or questions from the public.

Mayor Daly closed the public hearing as there were no comments or questions forthcoming from the public. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**REGULAR MEETING**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion was made by Trustee Nolan , second by Trustee Piccola to approve the minutes from March 1, 2010 as written. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT:** Motion was made by Trustee Bradstreet, second by Trustee Nolan to approve payment of Abstract #10 vouchers 754-817 for \$111,970.35. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE:** The following correspondence has been received and is on file in the office of the Clerk Treasurer:

- Letter from Mayor Cheney re: funding for study

**NEW/OLD BUSINESS:**

**PRESENTATION: AMBULANCE COMMITTEE:** Todd Blanchard and the Ambulance Committee Chair Charles Ziegler gave a power point presentation to update the Board on the committee's work since its inception. Dr. Robert Biernbaum, Dir. of the Emergency Dept. of Newark Wayne Hospital and DOH representative Ross Zastrow were also in attendance. The committee was formed following a meeting about consolidation of services between the school district and the towns and villages. The committee currently consists of Chair Charlie Ziegler, Dave Maul, Mayor Daly, Trustee Husk, Chief Dalton, Ron DeMena and Councilman Todd Pipitone. The committee reviewed ambulance call

statistics, had several discussions with agency heads, volunteers, the WC EMS coordinator, and WC 911 Coordinator . They also met with the NYS DOH representative.

The goal of the committee was to determine if patient care and cost effectiveness could be improved through consolidation of the ambulance services in Palmyra and Macedon. The committee identified five possible solutions:

1. Choose one existing entity, to receive the transfer of other existing Certificate of Needs .
2. Surrender all existing CONs and form a new agency which would have to apply for a new CON covering the larger area.
3. The two villages merge their CONs to one that covers both towns. (The Town of Macedon would remain as is as their CON is non-transferable.)
4. Separation from fire dept. and hire own staff.
5. Do nothing and leave things status quo.

After careful consideration, the committee recommends that the two villages transfer their CON to the Macedon Town Ambulance. All aspects of the Town's operation are already in place; ie, billing, and staffing. They currently have full 24/7 coverage with a minimum of 1 EMT and 1 Paramedic on at all times. This should be augmented with a solid volunteer framework.

Completion is done through paper work provided by the NYS DOH. Then the Finger Lakes Regional Council votes to approve the transfer. The process takes 3-4 months. The daily operations of the consolidated agency would continue to be handled by the Director of EMS, an employee of Macedon. Revenue generated from the billing would go into a line item managed by the Town of Macedon.

There is more work to be done:

- a. Needs of the new agency would be studied and needed assets would be transferred or purchased by the Town of Macedon.
- b. Assemble crews with paid and volunteer staff.
- c. A study completed to determine location and number of crews needed.
- d. Determine availability of start up funds and their source. (Todd Blanchard estimates start up costs to be approximately \$127,000.

With third party billing, the goal would be to have the new consolidated ambulance service offer a 24/7 operation at little or no cost to the taxpayers. Mayor Daly thanked Todd and Charlie for the presentation and told the public they would be available for questions in the hall so the meeting could proceed.

**HYLAND HARTSOUGH, NYS DOH:** Mr. Hartsough, NYS DOH, discussed the issue of unattended operation of the water plant with the Board. The Environmental Protection Agency has asked DOH to “crack down” and tighten up the regulations for filtering water during times when there are no employees on duty to monitor the plant. There must be a SCADA system, (system control and data acquisition), put in place. Our system needs better alarms and control by automation. Once an alarm signals, it must be responded to within one hour.

Mr. Hartsough also addressed the Board about the CT issue, the amount of time that chlorine is in contact with water to inactivate viruses, bacteria and parasites. The village was issued a violation for this treatment issue in 2007. He noted that he would meet with the Board, ST and the Village engineer to discuss both issues further.

**SNOW REMOVAL FROM SIDEWALKS:** The Board once again reviewed the Village's code for snow removal. Mayor Daly received a written complaint from a Village resident complaining that he keeps his sidewalks clean but his family must walk in the street because others do not clear their sidewalks. In fact, he noted that even almost a week after the recent big snow fall, many people have made no attempt to clean their walks. He urged the Board to make homeowners accountable to insure the safety of pedestrians. The discussion that took place centered on whether to enforce the ordinance or to get rid of it. Mayor Daly offered to talk to Canandaigua City Manager Kay James about their snow removal ordinance. Canandaigua recently started enforcing a snow removal ordinance.

**WATER LINE ASSESSMENT/APPRaisal PROPOSAL:** The Board discussed the proposal for appraisal services from Girasole and whether or not to have the line appraised. Motion was made by Trustee Bradstreet, second by Trustee Husk to authorize the Mayor to sign the proposal for appraisal services with Girasole. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**BUDGET VOTE:** Motion was made by Trustee Nolan, second by Trustee Bradstreet to adopt the budget. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Motion was made by Trustee Husk, second by Trustee Piccola to set a public hearing for the increase in the sewer minimum. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**PROCUREMENT POLICY:** Tabled until April 4 for discussion.

**RADIOS :** Tabled until April 4 for discussion.

### **TRUSTEE REPORTS**

**Trustee Bradstreet** reported on the joint meeting for the Planning and Zoning Boards. They ran a mock hearing for training purposes. Those that participated thought it was worthwhile.

Trustee Bradstreet and his wife attended a meeting for the Literacy Volunteers of Wayne County. They are launching a new program called Books at Birth. They would be a good organization to have as a guest speaker for the WCVOA dinner meetings.

Last Thursday, Trustee Bradstreet and the Mayor met with Clint Rullo and Joan DeLaro about walking the trails. He encouraged the Board to visit [walkthecanalvillages.com](http://walkthecanalvillages.com). We are going to submit something for the site.

**Trustee Husk** reported that the Skate Park Committee is still working on fundraising and have sent out a newsletter. For the Fire Dept., Trustee Husk moved to accept the membership of Warren Frederick, pending a satisfactory physical and completion of the required training. Second by Trustee Piccola. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

Trustee Husk recommended that the Board not act upon the proposed Fire Department offices roster until at the April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Trustee Nolan** reported that he is in receipt of the operating report for the water and wastewater treatment plant and it will be on file in the office of the Village Clerk.

**Trustee Piccola** – no report.

**Attorney Williams** – no report.

**Mayor Daly** provided her usual written report and reminded the Board that the Pirate Dance is coming up this Saturday.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion was made by Trustee Piccola, second by Trustee Husk to move into executive session at 9:40 p.m. for contractual. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**PUBLIC SESSION:** Motion by Trustee Nolan, second by Trustee Bradstreet, to move back into public session with no action having taken place at 10:10 p.m. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**MICROENTERPRISE LOAN:** Motion was made by Trustee Bradstreet, second by Trustee Nolan to approve the microenterprise loan to Jim Moomaw for \$9,000 as outlined and recommended by the Micro-Enterprise Committee. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Trustee Husk, second by Trustee Bradstreet, to adjourn at 10:15 p.m. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia M. Lynch  
Clerk Treasurer

