# VILLAGE OF PALMYRA BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

September 14, 2020 6:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Mayor Husk, Trustees Luke, Perry, Nolan and Warters. Excused - Attorney Williams.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### **REGULAR MEETING**

VANPARYS ASSOC. QUOTE FOR CYBER LIABILITY COVERAGE: Wendi Gagliano, VanParys Associates appeared before the Board to explain and answer questions about getting a Cyber Liability policy for the Village. The policy would provide coverage for unauthorized access to data, copyright infringement, plagiarism, defamation, libel, slander, ransomware, and costs to restore or recover electronic date to name a few. The Board conceded that it was probably time to consider this and asked her to get a more definitive quote.

**BODY CAMS AND TASERS:** Chief Smith came in to discuss adding tasers and body cams to the department. He asked AxON Enterprise for a quote back in August, as they are more or less the industry for tasers and bodycams. The total cost would be about \$53,000 over 5 years including practice rounds, training, and the software with updates. The recording data has to be stored for at least two years which happens to be a huge part of the expense and is stored in the cloud. The quotation will need updating as it expires Sept. 30. There were a couple of questions as well, ie what happens after the five year term. The Mayor suggested that financing of the system be discussed again at next Monday's meeting.

**EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT:** The Board welcomed John Wimer once again to hear his request to erect one of his three little free libraries at the Marina. According to John, the library will maintain this once it is up and running. Motion was made by Trustee Perry, second by Trustee Luke, to approve John Wimer's Eagle Scout project, for the free little library at the Port of Palmyra, contingent upon Supt. Hopkins' approval of placement for same. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Motion was made by Trustee Nolan, second by Trustee Warters to approve the minutes from Aug. 3, 2020. Vote, 3 ayes, 1 abstain, Trustee Luke. CARRIED.

**CODE UPDATE:** Correction the motion for a budget transfer for recodification was not needed as it <u>had</u> been included in the budget.

<u>APPROVAL OF ABSTRACTS</u>: Motion was made by Trustee Perry, second by Trustee Warters to approve payment of Abstract 3B, vouchers 197-241 for \$141,679.42 and Abstract #4A, vouchers 247-323 for \$145,750.29. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

## CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION

- Thank you to Supt Hopkins and crew for the COVID-required modifications to the courtroom
- New Dental Plan (Old one discontinued)
- Resignation letter from John Robbins, Historic Preservation Motion was made by Trustee Nolan, second by Trustee Perry to accept the resignation from John Robbins of the Historic Preservation Commission with thanks for his service. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.
- NYCOM Sept 22-24 R. Wetherby online registered
- Letter of Resignation J. Hart Motion was made by Trustee Perry, second by Trustee Luke, to accept J. Hart letter of resignation as custodian in Village Hall. Jill will continue her cleaning duties across the street at 149 East Main and her rent will return to \$340.00 per month. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.
- WWTP Notice of Public Info Meeting, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> 7:00 pm

### TRUSTEE REPORTS

**Trustee Luke** talked with Jeanette Eckert about the FD Annual Craft Show which will now be moved to the front lawn in front of Breen's on Sept. 26.

 $\label{eq:continuous_post} \textbf{Trustee Nolan} - \text{no report.}$ 

Trustee Perry - no report.

Reporting for the Fire Department, Trustee Warters moved to accept Lacy Gardner for membership into the Fire Department following completion of the appropriate training and a satisfactory physical examination. Second was made by Trustee Perry. Vote, 4 ayes, CARRIED.

Attorney Williams – excused.

**Mayor Husk** spoke with NYSEG and Colacino's about the lighting project in the Village which is reported to be 98% complete. Additionally, he spoke with Irene Unterborn about Trick or Treating on Main St. The decision has been made to cancel the event this year due to COVID.

Lastly, Mr. Boland of the American Legion would like to see a crosswalk added crossing Cuyler Street to the sidewalk on the south side of the District Office as so many parents are parking in the municipal parking lot behind the Legion and crossing with their children to the "walkers entrance" behind the Primary School.

**PANDEMIC PLAN REQUIRED BY APRIL 1, 2021:** We received correspondence from NYCOM today about the new law requiring a Pandemic Operations Plan which requires municipalities to have one in place by April 1, 2021. The new clerk treasurer has registered for the Pandemic webinar and will report back.

GROSS UTILITIES FEES FROM CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS WERE OVERPAID BY \$50K: Charter Communications called to report an error on their submissions of gross utilities fees; namely they sent us about \$52,000 which should have gone to the Town of Palmyra. They are supposed to be sending the exact remittance advice which is when it will be processed by us for a refund.

**NOCO PRICING**: Motion was made by Trustee Perry, second by Trustee Nolan to accept the new pricing with NOCO for gas and electric usage and authorize the Clerk Treasurer to sign a 24 months contract with them, extending our prior term by 12 months. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**HOMECOMING PARADE REQUEST OCT. 9 OR 10:** If a plan can be made for a safe Homecoming this fall, they school would like to Homecoming events on October 9 or 10<sup>th</sup>. They will be in touch.

TRANSFER FROM CEMETERY TRUST TO GENERAL FUND FOR NEW CEMETERY LOT BOOKS (\$1200): Motion was made by Trustee Perry, second by Trustee Luke to approve the transfer of \$1200 from Cemetery Trust for the purchase of new cemetery lot books. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**OPT IN/OUT OF PAYROLL DEFERMENT PROGRAM:** After a short discussion, the Board agreed that they would opt out of the payroll deferment program as it only has to be repaid in the next calendar year.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Vote, ayes. CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia M. Lynch Clerk Treasurer