

Supervisor's Letter – June 30, 2010

Palmyra Town Supervisor Ken Miller

We are full swing into summer. I hope all you “warm weather enthusiasts” are enjoying all Mother Nature is delivering. This is just what you begged for in January and February when it is below freezing.

I would like to congratulate all the Palmyra-Macedon graduating seniors. You have made a great step towards a prosperous future. Your high school education is a building block required to further your education, or a stepping stone to immediate employment, whichever the future holds. You now have skills that will be with you for the rest of your lives. Let me also congratulate Stephen Krolak from Palmyra, for achieving his BSA Eagle Scout Rank. I was invited to the award ceremony and was able to personally recognize Steve, which was an honor.

As you all know there are many construction, reconstruction, and demolition projects underway. We have received budgeted money from the state and are moving forward with our original improvement plans. The Parker, Floodman, Johnson Road Water Improvement Project is coming to a close earlier than scheduled and it has been very successful. I have heard nothing but praise from the residents in the new water districts. Many thanks to all involved especially the WCWSA who was the “main contractor”. We have recently submitted requests for funding for a new sewer district on Rt. 31 East of the Village. There are a couple of funding sources that need to review our application and see what Palmyra qualifies for. I will continue to share information as we have more details.

Palmyra continues to analyze the best options to provide Emergency Medical Service to all of our residents. Talks continue with the Village, Town, and potential providers. It is the Boards intent to provide the highest quality care at the best possible value. I believe (as a Palmyra resident, and taxpayer) that one of the most important services that we purchase is EMS. It needs to be prompt, reliable, and affordable. Several options and many new considerations are involved in the issue. The county is in the process of purchasing new radios and pagers for EMS, and will be implementing a new radio system and 911 protocols. The new hardware and changes will benefit all of Wayne County and have a very positive impact on efficiency.

We have received final reports based on an Energy Audit Program prepared for NYSERDA (New York State Energy Research and Development Authority). They were done on all Town facilities that consume electric power and show opportunities to save money in several areas. This is the first step in researching to see if there is grant money available to aid the town in saving power and energy cost. We had the Town Hall as well as the Highway facility audited for potential savings. These reports show areas to save money as well as the cost to do improvements. It also will project the estimated “pay-

back” period to get a return on our investment. We try to minimize the cost of energy at all of the Town locations. Please contact me if you see any opportunities to save energy cost, we are always open to suggestions and recommendations.