

REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD

**PALMYRA TOWN HALL
JULY 23, 2009**

At 7:30 p.m., Supervisor Lyon called to order the assembled group of residents for a public informational presentation on a proposed sewer project for town property owners east of the Village of Palmyra.

Property owners in the proposed sewer project had received letters from Supervisor Lyon inviting them to listen to the presentation. Martin Mroczek and David Doyle, Engineers with MRB Group in Rochester, were the presenters. They had brought handouts with information about costs and scope of the project, as well as a large map showing the location of the proposed municipal sewer pipes.

**INFORMATIONAL
MEETING ABOUT
PROPOSED SEWER
PROJECT—ROUTE
31 EAST OF THE
VILLAGE**

Supervisor Lyon opened the meeting to the public, asking for their input and answering their questions. Discussion included necessary pump stations, and some property owners needing grinder pumps to move sludge faster or uphill.

At 8:01 p.m., Supervisor Dave Lyon asked if there were any more questions. Hearing none, he declared the meeting closed. Residents left with handouts that explained the points of the presentation. Those staying after the meeting asked individual questions of the engineers for a few moments and studied the large map.

CALL TO ORDER

At 8:09 p.m., Supervisor Lyon called to order the town board meeting, scheduled for Thursday, July 23, 2009, at the Palmyra Town Hall, 1180 Canandaigua Road, Palmyra, New York.

**PLEDGE TO THE
FLAG**

Supervisor Lyon led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Upon roll call, the following Board members were present:

- David C. Lyon, Supervisor
- James Welch, Councilman
- David Nussbaumer, Councilman
- Councilman Michael Lambrix was absent.
- Councilman Kenneth Miller was absent.

ROLL CALL

Although Board members Michael Lambrix and Kenneth Miller were absent, there was still a quorum of the Town Board at the meeting, therefore, the meeting was able to proceed.

**MEETING
ATTENDANCE**

Also attending the meeting: Palmyra residents Mike Breen, Kathleen Breen, Ron Henkel—Pastor of Cross Creek Methodist Church, Roy C. Wilck, Virginia Pierce, Bruce and Lana Bassage, Connie and Mark Gruttadaro, owners of the Trolley Road Mobile Home Park, Shane Evans, Branchport resident Kevin Carrier, Code Enforcement Officer Bob Grier; and *Courier-Journal* reporter Billie Rae Walker.

Motion was made by Dave Nussbaumer to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2009 meeting of the Town Board.

Supervisor Lyon noted that there was an error in numbering the vouchers approved for payment at last month’s meeting. June’s abstract for vouchers to be paid should have included voucher #10462. The total dollar amount for all June vouchers is correct, only the last voucher number--#10462—had inadvertently been left off the list. Councilman Nussbaumer agreed to reword the motion to approve the amended minutes of the June 25, 2009 meeting of the Town Board.

**MTN: APPROVE
6/25/2009 TOWN
BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

Second: Jim Welch

Vote: 3 Ayes. Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

**WATER QUALITY
IMPROVEMENT
PROJECTS GRANT
PROGRAM**

1. Water Quality Improvement Projects (WQIP) Grant Program: A letter was received inviting municipalities to apply for a grant to improve water quality. Such projects could include wastewater treatment, sewer overflow abatement, review and modification of local laws, stormwater retrofits and stream bank restoration. Town Clerk was asked to contact Stu Brown Associates for more details, to see if Palmyra could qualify for some funding.

**FREE CANCER
SCREENING
AVAILABLE IN
WAYNE COUNTY**

2. Cancer Screening Partnership information from Wayne County Public Health: Lisa Roth, Program Coordinator for Wayne County Cancer Screening Partnership sent a letter of introduction to Board members of the program, which provides free services to uninsured and underinsured women and men in Wayne County.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Kenneth Miller, Chairman

Ken Miller reported the electrician had hooked up the grinder pump for the new sewer line to Town Hall. The Highway Department will be working on unhooking the present septic tank to complete the transition to municipal sewer service. Town Hall is part of the Southwest Quadrant (SWQ) Sewer Project, connecting Bear Hill Drive, Rolfe Street and Crestwood Drive, as well as a few properties on Canandaigua Road, including the Palmyra Bible Church next door to Town Hall—to the sewer main on Route 21.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS REPORT

Highway Committee – James Welch, Chairman

1. July Highway Department Report: Although Palmyra Highway Superintendent Mike Boesel was not at the Town Board meeting, he submitted his Highway Report as of July 23, 2009:

Highway Superintendent Report
For Town Board Meeting 7/23/2009

Since the 6/25/2009 meeting we have completed the following work:

- Cutting Shoulders/Ditching – Hogback Rd, Palmer Rd, Floodman Rd
- Wedging – Quaker Rd, Hogback Rd, Port Gibson Rd, Cambier Rd, Dey Rd
- Inter-municipal Assistance
 - 6/28/09 and 6/29/09 – Assisted Village of Palmyra with Marina paving
 - 7/15/09 thru 7/16/09 – Town of Marion helped us wedge with their grader and operator
 - 7/16/09 – Bobcat/Milling machine to Williamson/Wayne Co Hwy
 - 7/22/09 – Assisted WCWSA with paving their parking lot

JULY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Other miscellaneous items include:

- **SMSI Grant 07-08** – All equipment is bought and paid for. I intend to submit for our second (final) reimbursement next week.
- **Canal Dredger Boat** – As you know, the Canal Dredger boat that sank on June 13th was successfully removed and started its trek to Lyons dry dock around 4:45pm on Friday July 10th. I was called to assist in closing the Maple Avenue bridge, due to the sinking of the Canal Dredger during the initial recovery efforts and again during the week of 7/7 to 7/10.
- **Rain Washouts** – The month of June was one of the wettest in many years. We had many recurring washouts that required sweeping after heavy rain events. We took care of many of these washouts during the week of 7/7 to 7/10 by cutting shoulders and re-ditching. These were primarily on Hogback, Palmer, Floodman and Port Gibson Roads.
- **Fuel Update** – The PMCSD held their bid opening for the fuel contract on 6/29/09. Petroleum Traders Corporation beat out Griffith who has been our long-time provider for our unleaded and diesel fuels. Petroleum Traders was awarded the fuel facility contract at the 7/14/09 School Board meeting.
- **Wedging** – We have been making progress with our asphalt wedging efforts this summer. We recently finished Quaker Road and Hogback Road and they are ready for a surface treatment. We are also tuning up Port Gibson Road, Cambier, and Dey Roads for future surface treatments.
- **Surface Treating** – We recently surface treated Johnson Street and E.Foster Ext in the Village. We also completed Division Street. We intend to have the Quaker/Daansen and the Hogback/Vault Road areas completed in early August.
- **Mowing** – Chris Bratt is mowing for us again this summer. We started roadside mowing on May 19th and recently completed Round 1. Round 2 started on 6/23/09 and we are nearing completion.
- **Fall Highway Conference** – Our 80th Town Highway Fall Conference is scheduled for September 22-25 this year in Lake Placid. Early registration is \$96.00. This event is budgeted annually. I am requesting permission to attend at this time.

Any questions, comments or concerns I will be glad to answer.

2. Problems with Backup Generator: Jim Welch noted that the backup generator for fuel pumps at the Fuel Depot has been a problem recently.

**JULY HIGHWAY
DEPARTMENT
REPORT**

Planning & Economic Development Committee—Mike Lambrix, Chairman

NO PLANNING BOARD MEETING IN JULY

There was no Planning Board meeting this month.

Zoning Committee – David Nussbaumer, Chairman

- 1. CEO Report: July's Code Enforcement Officer's Report was distributed to Board members. They read it and had a question or two, which Bob Grier answered.

CEO REPORT FOR JULY

Bob also stated that on July 28th, the construction contractors, Wayne County Water and Sewer Authority representatives, MRB Group engineers and Bob will conduct the final "walk through" for the Southwest Quadrant Sewer Project. As of today, they anticipate 39 possible hook-ups, and that they've issued 23 permits to hook up so far, with 17 of those hooking up the first month.

UPCOMING SWQ SEWER PROJECT FINAL "WALK THROUGH"

- 2. Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting: Minutes from the July 9 meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals were included in the packet for the Board members. There were no comments about the report.

ZONING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

- 3. Zoning Projects Update: Councilman Dave Nussbaumer said he had gone to the Zoning Attorneys' office of Converse & Morell, and had them go over with him each pending project. He said the paperwork is up to date on all of them.

ZONING PROJECTS UPDATE

ASSESSOR'S JULY REPORT

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 1. Assessor's Report for July: Board members read over the Assessor's Report without comment.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE JUNE-JULY REPORT

- 2. Town Clerk's Office Report for June-July: Although June and July are not tax collecting months, they have been extremely busy with increased customers at the counter, gearing up for sporting license sales in August, completing paperwork for water and sewer projects, helping with dozens of visitors to Town Hall,

- 3. Approve Abstracts #175 and #176: Dave Nussbaumer made the motion to approve the claims and expenditures shown on Abstract #175, that includes Voucher Numbers 10463 through 10467 for \$24,786.51, and Abstract #176, that includes Voucher Numbers 10468 through 10534 for \$72,910.64.

**MTN: APPROVE
ABSTRACTS #175
AND #176**

Second: Jim Welch

Vote: 3 Ayes. Carried

- 4. Enter into Executive Session: At 8:21 p.m., Jim Welch made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters of personnel.

**MTN: ENTER INTO
EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

Second: Dave Nussbaumer

Vote: 3 Ayes. Carried

At 8:33 p.m., Supervisor Dave Lyon declared the Board out of Executive Session.

- 5. Motion to Adjourn: At 8:36 p.m., Dave Nussbaumer made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

**MTN: ADJOURN
MEETING**

Second: Jim Welch

Vote: 3 Ayes. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyndall Ann P. Green
Palmyra Town Clerk

**NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING:
THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2009, 7:30 P.M.
PALMYRA TOWN HALL**