

**HEARING & REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD
EAST PALMYRA FIRE DEPARTMENT
October 24th, 2024**

At 7:00 p.m., Supervisor Rose called to order the Town Board meet public hearing, scheduled for Thursday, October 24th, 2024, at the East Palmyra Fire Hall, 2145 Whitbeck Road, Palmyra, New York.

HEARING

The following legal notice is for three public hearings scheduled for this evening. The following is the legal notice that had been printed in the Town's official newspaper, *The Times of Wayne County*, and posted on the Town Hall's bulletin board before these hearings, in accordance with law.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR
VILLAGE OF PALMYRA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
EAST PALMYRA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
PORT GIBSON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Fire Protection District Contracts are about to expire and a three-year contract for East Palmyra, Port-Gibson, and Village of Palmyra, is to be considered for each of these three (3) Fire Protection Districts, and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing is required by law,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Palmyra, Wayne County, will meet at the East Palmyra Fire Hall, 2145 Tellier Road, East Palmyra, New York, on the 24th day of October, 2024 for the purpose of considering contracts proposed by said Town Board to be entered into with the Village of Palmyra at 7:00 p.m., the Port Gibson Fire Department at 7:02 p.m., and the East Palmyra Fire Department at 7:04 p.m., for the furnishing of fire protection to said Town, at which time and place the Palmyra Town Board will consider such proposed contracts and all persons interested in same.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board will, at said times and place, hear all persons in favor of, or against, items within said contracts. Interested persons may be heard in person, by attorney or agent, or in writing.

DATED: October 15, 2024

BY ORDER OF THE PALMYRA TOWN BOARD

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

Upon roll call, the following Board members were present:

Gary Rose, Supervisor
James Welch, Deputy Supervisor
Brad Cook, Councilman
Todd Pipitone, Councilman
Doug DeRue, Councilman

The Town Clerk read the rules of conducting a hearing.

HEARING- VILLAGE OF PALMYRA FIRE DISTRICT

At 7:00 PM, Doug DeRue made a motion to open the hearing for the Village of Palmyra Fire Protection District.

Second: Jim Welch Vote: 4 Ayes. Carried

Luke Shula, Palmyra Fire Chief, commented that the relationship with East Palmyra FD, is a good one, and that backing each other up has been working well.

At 7:01 PM, as there were no further questions, Jim Welch made the motion to close the hearing.

Second: Todd Pipitone Vote: 4 Ayes. Carried

HEARING- PORT GIBSON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

At 7:02 PM, Doug DeRue made a motion to open the hearing for the Port Gibson Fire Protection District.

Second: Todd Pipitone Vote: 4 Ayes. Carried

At 7:03 PM, as there were no further questions, Todd Pipitone made the motion to close the hearing.

Second: Todd Pipitone Vote: 4 Ayes. Carried

HEARING- EAST PALMYRA FIRE DISTRICT

At 7:04 PM, Doug DeRue made a motion to open the hearing for the East Palmyra Fire Protection District.

Second: Jim Welch

Vote: 4 Ayes. Carried

Bob Grabowski, East Palmyra Fire Chief, wanted to echo the comment that Chief Shula made earlier. He stated thankfully there are not a lot of fire calls in East Palmyra, but it is nice to know there is a full crew when there is!

At 7:05 PM, as there were no further questions, Todd Pipitone made the motion to close the hearing.

Second: Jim Welch

Vote: 4 Ayes. Carried

REGULAR MEETING

At 7:06 PM a motion was made by Todd Pipitone to approve both the Budget Workshop of September 24th, 2024, as well as the Regular Town Board meeting on September 26th, 2024.

Second: Doug DeRue

Vote: 4 Ayes. Carried

ATTENDANCE

Also in attendance: Joan Knapp, Mike Catalano, Lyle Caward, Jeanne Garlock, Don Wilkins, Robert Grabowski, Lucas Shullar, Mikel Hallings, Wayne Eidman, Casey Carpenter, Gigit Graham, and Mark Carrier.

GUEST SPEAKER

Mike Catalano, Wayne County EMS Advisory Board reported that next month Eastern Wayne Ambulance is closing, and the county will pick up four days and three nights for them. Newark has two ambulances up as their value is increasing. He also reported that of 728 calls, 546 were covered by them and the rest as mutual aid, 174 of the mutual aid went to Macedon and there was a 12-minute response time for calls (the national average is also 12 minutes). Mr. Catalano shared the reports with the village and was waiting to hear of any further concerns that they have. There will be a meeting with FLA leadership soon.

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

None for that evening.

PUBLIC INPUT *

None at this time

Board note - the following will now appear on all agendas.

**If you are attending a Town Board Meeting have not signed up for Public Participation Section of the Town Board Meeting pursuant to the rules which have been established (24 hrs prior to start of meeting), then you will not be able to express your opinion. As a courtesy to those who attend the Board Meeting, you are requested not to interrupt the meeting, and refrain from conversation that would interfere with those attending being able to hear the Board transact its business. If in fact someone interferes with the meeting or the conversation with other spectators should require a warning and it is ignored, the person could be charged with Disorderly Conduct. For public hearings, speaking will be limited to topics on the agenda.*

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**Supervision: Animal Control, Human Resources, Justices, and Finance:**

- Supervisor Gary Rose

1. Supervisor's Monthly Financial Report: The Supervisor has received the Bookkeepers monthly financial report for September.

Mr. Rose also added that he was in contact with LaBella regarding the Old Landfill and found that we are still waiting for a final closure plan from the DEC, which is expected at the end of this month.

Public Works: Highway Department, Equipment and Facilities:

-Councilman James Welch

Highway Superintendent Boesel was excused and Councilman Welch reported in his absence.

1. Highway Department report for October:

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT
FOR TOWN BOARD MEETING
10/24/24**

Since the 9/26/24 Town Board meeting we have completed the following work:

- Culvert Replacement – Desmith Road
- Shoulder Work – S.Creek, Faas, Galloway, Trolley, Schilling, Hogback Hill Roads
- Inter-municipal Assistance
 - 10/1/24 2 Palmyra trucks to Macedon Hwy to help with paving (Timberline/Cornwall)
 - 10/9/24 2 Palmyra trucks to WC Hwy to help with paving (S. Centenary Road)

- 10/10/24 2 Palmyra trucks to WC Hwy to help with paving (S. Centenary Road)
- 10/16/24 5 Palmyra trucks + crew assisting V/Palmyra with paving (E. Foster Street)

- **Winter Prep** – Over the past couple weeks, we have started installation of plow frames on various trucks. By the end of October (next week), we intend to have 1 Town and 1 Village trucks completely outfitted. We will continue to prep more trucks in the coming weeks. The sand/salt barns are nearly full.

- **Roadside mowing** – Our roadside mowing program will be coming to an end soon. Chris Bratt continues to do an excellent job, and we intend to have him back for another season next Spring. We intend to continue brush mowing thru this Fall once our trucks are completely setup for winter

- **Training**
 - 9/24-27/24 - I attended our 95th Annual Fall Highway Conference and Education Symposium

 - 10/3/24 – NYMIR webinar refresher on Sexual Harassment & Discrimination for partial crew
 - 10/3/24 – NYMIR webinar refresher on Workplace Violence for partial crew
 - 10/10/24 – Cornell Local Roads Training (Mike, Jake, Kiel) Local Roads Done Right. This free event was held at the Benton Fire Hall for about 40 attendees from surrounding hwy depts.

- **Town Hall Improvements** – On 9/27, we made final repairs to the drain lines at the Town Hall in the stone area between the ramp and the steps. We also installed the correct downspout connectors. The crew is recommending gutter replacement on the front of the building with leaf guards.

- **Hogback Hill Drainage Issue** – With the 10/7/24 mutual signing of the Agreement to correct a drainage issue in front of Hse 4304, the Hwy Dept Crew proceeded to complete this work on 10/17 and 10/18.

- **Personnel** – We have been advertising and accepting job applications since the end of August and recently completed interviews. On the agenda tonight I am excited to request approval to hire longtime Palmyra/Macedon resident – Seth Pulcini.

- **Equipment (new/old)** –
 - T20 – 2024 Mack Granite 10-wheel dump truck arrived on 10/4/24. Thank you!!!!
 - T14 – 2004 Sterling 10-wheel dump was sold at the Monroe County Municipal Auction on 10/5/24 for \$8,000.00.

- Shop Air Compressor – our old compressor was sold for \$525.00 at the MC Municipal Auction.

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

Human Services: Town Clerk, Archives, and Town Hall Facility

-Councilman Bradley Cook

1. Town Clerk's Monthly Financial Report: The Supervisor has received the Town Clerk's Office monthly financial report for September.

2. Town Clerk Report for October:

**Town Clerk's Office Report
For October 2024**

September was as usual, very busy with hunting & fishing licenses, and school taxes! By the end of September, we had collected \$17,062,097.19 of the \$19,116,668.89 total warrant. Approximately \$9,000,000.00 in payments from the larger mortgage brokers, mail, and public were received in the last week of September! Kristi & Heidi S. did a fantastic job helping the hundreds of people that came in at that time, and keeping up with the opening mail, and then sending out the tax receipts after I had entered the payments in those last penalty free days. In between it all was budget workshops, and the end of September was also the last days for DMP's ("Doe" permits) and water payments! I am anticipating having the office open at 7:00 AM on Friday November 1st, so our local hunters will have the opportunity to purchase the "first come first serve" second round of DMP's.

In September we sold 77 licenses totaling \$657.00, misc sales, including marriages licenses, hunting/fishing, EZ Passes, vital record requests, Bingo proceeds, Zoning etc – added an additional \$12,443.00. Total check disbursements for the month of August totaled \$13,100.00.

As well as continuing to teach my new deputy Kristi the ins and outs of the town clerk's office, October has kept this office busy playing catch up with the many other things we take care of on a regular basis, licensing, numerous legal notices, resolutions, FOIL requests, local laws, etc. and further collection of taxes.

We are entering the final stages of the Comprehensive Plan, and a draft was made available to the steering committee. We will be holding a Joint Town and Village Board meeting on Monday November 25th, so that all can review and comment on the draft with the representatives from MRB.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Irene Unterborn Palmyra Town Clerk

Town Building and Grounds Committee:

– Councilmen Cook & DeRue and Town Clerk Irene Unterborn

1. Building Update: Drainage issues in front of Town Hall are still being worked on, though the cleanouts have been fixed. We are now contemplating leaf guards and will be looking for quotes next spring.

Town Development: IT & Phones, Strategic (Comprehensive) Plans, Code Enforcement/Planning Board and Security: - Councilman Todd Pipitone

1. Comprehensive Plan: There will be a combined Village and Town meeting on November 25th, to discuss the draft of the Comprehensive Plan. As always though, you can view the latest information and meeting notes at www.palmyrany.com/comprehensive-plan .

2. CEO Report for September: Code Enforcement Officer Pat Sheridan submitted a report to the Board Members that includes a list of building permits and certificates of September 24, 2024, through October 22, 2024.

3. Minutes from Zoning Board Meeting: None for this month.

4. Minutes from Planning Board Meeting: None for this month.

Government Operations: Assessor, Fire Protection Contracts, Youth & Aging, and Historians: - Councilman Doug DeRue

1. Assessor's Report for October:

**REPORT TO THE TOWN BOARD
FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE
October 2024**

The state updated the ENHANCED STAR income limit for 2025 to \$107,300 Adjusted Gross Income.

The state also mailed Enhanced STAR Applications to homeowners that may be eligible to change from BASIC to the ENHANCED Exemption.

If you have the exemption – which is a reduction that you will see on your school tax bill and you will be 65 yrs at the end of 2024 you should gather your 2023 tax return and complete the Enhanced STAR Application RP-425E and RP-425-IVP and stop by the office.

If you have the Basic STAR Credit- which is the check or direct deposit and you are turning 65 by the end of 2024, YOU DON'T NEED TO DO ANYTHING. If you qualify the state will transfer, you from BASIC to ENHANCED.

I would encourage you to visit the NY State STAR resource center <https://www.tax.ny.gov/star/>

Learn about the Homeowner Benefit Portal, you can view and update information and change your STAR credit check to a Direct Deposit.

We have had an increase in phone calls and visitors with exemption questions and address changes over the last two months, which is typical for the school tax season.

There are 13 September sales. 3 Village and 10 Town sales. There are 3 parcel merge/split requests.

The following are the sales/transfers for September

August 2024 Sales/Transfers						
MAP #	HS #	STREET	**	SALE \$	SALE DATE	TAV 2024
64111-12-753682	310- 312	E Main	**	170,000	9/10/2024	106,900
65111-09-0199557	362	Vienna St		196,000	9/23/2024	141,000
64111-10-429633	146	Stafford	**	1	9/27/2024	138,500
65111-00-582231	1131	Vienna	**	45,000	9/4/2024	23,700
64112-19-691058	1805	Division	**	0	9/9/2024	263,400
66111-18-290215	4370	Route 31	**	1	9/9/2024	85,400
65113-00-393785	000	Cole		40,000	9/10/2024	23,800
64112-15-583312	2081	Division	**	1	9/12/2024	1,050,200
64111-08-765913	1686	Division	**	180,000	9/13/2024	143,400
65113-00-557764	000	Rt 21 N	**	95,000	9/18/2024	53,200
65111-00-737934	1703	Shilling	**	0	9/20/2024	179,000
66111-13-226424	4324	Route 31	**	150,000	9/23/2024	156,800
67112-00-125798	000	Hazen		67,000	9/23/2024	20,400
TAV - Total Assessed Value			**	Indicates a Non Arm's Length sale/Transfer		

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you, Paula Ruthven

GENERAL INFORMATION

Trick or Treat on Main St is Saturday October 26th, 2024, from 2-4 PM (from the four Churches to the Flagpole), and the **Halloween Costume School Parade** is on Wednesday October 30th at 6:30 PM, at the Pal-Mac Middle School.

TOWN AGENDA ITEMS

1. Approve: All Town Reports for September: Todd Pipitone made the motion to approve all town reports including the Supervisor, Town Clerk, Code Officer, Assessor, and Highway reports for the month of September.

Second: Todd Pipitone 4 Ayes. Carried.

2. Approve: Contract with Port Gibson Fire District: Doug DeRue made the motion to approve the contract with Port Gibson Fire Protection District for 3 years.

Second: Todd Pipitone 4 Ayes. Carried.

3. Approve: Contract with East Palmyra Fire Protection District: Doug DeRue made the motion to approve the contract with East Palmyra Fire Protection District for 3 years.

Second: Todd Pipitone 4 Ayes. Carried.

4. Approve: Contract with Village of Palmyra Fire Protection District: Doug DeRue made the motion to approve the contract with Village of Palmyra Fire Protection District for 3 years.

Second: Todd Pipitone 4 Ayes. Carried.

Mr. DeRue thanked the fire departments for working well together and protecting our community.

5. Approve: Supervisor to Sign Agreements with Chris McPherson: Jim Welch made the motion to approve agreement with Chris McPherson of Hogback Hill.

Second: Doug DeRue 4 Ayes. Carried.

6. Approve: Resolution #10-2024 with Vienna Place Apartments: Todd Pipitone made the motion to make the motion to approve Resolution #10-2024 with Palmyra Village Apartments, as written:

This was seconded by Brad Cook, and a roll call vote was requested.

James Welch	Aye
Doug DeRue	Aye
Todd J. Pipitone	Aye
Brad Cook	Aye
Supervisor Rose	Aye

Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried

RESOLUTION #10-2024**RE: PALMYRA VILLAGE APARTMENTS, L.P., 3510 VIENNA STREET, PALMYRA, NEW YORK**

WHEREAS, the Town of Palmyra has received an application from Providence Vienna Housing Development Fund Company, Inc. with an office at 1150 Buffalo Road, Rochester, New York, who desire to purchase the Palmyra Village Apartments, L.P. buildings and land at 3510 Vienna Street, Palmyra, New York, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the contract, the Seller shall have approval from the Town of Palmyra to terminate the existing payment in lieu of the agreement and the regulatory agreement applicable to the premises, and

WHEREAS, the contract requires the Buyer obtain approval by the NYS Division of Housing and Community Renewal (State Agency), and the existing lender to take title, and

WHEREAS, the Buyer has represented that it intends to continue to operate the property as affordable senior housing. It is represented that rents will continue to be regulated by the NYS Department of Housing and Community Renewal, and

WHEREAS, the Seller currently has an agreement under the Private Housing Finance Law granting a payment in lieu of taxes which by its terms expires in 2026 (25 years is the time limit) and may if qualified apply for an additional 25 years agreement to pay in lieu of taxes, and

WHEREAS, the purchase contract requires the Seller shall have received approval from the Town of Palmyra to terminate the existing payment in lieu of taxes and the regulatory agreement applicable to the premises.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Town of Palmyra after review of the applications does hereby:

- A. Approve the termination of the existing payment in lieu of taxes.
- B. Approve the termination of the regulatory agreements applicable to the premises.
- C. Consents to the sale of Palmyra Village Apartments, L.P. to Providence Vienna Housing Development Fund Company, Inc. upon the following conditions:
 1. That the Providence Vienna Housing Development Fund Company, Inc. is a not for profit corporation.
 2. That Providence Vienna Housing Development Fund Company, Inc. agrees to do the following:
 - a. Continue to operate as affordable senior housing.
 - b. Make the pilot payments for the year 2025 and 2026 to the Town of Palmyra.

- c. Furnish such information as may be necessary to assist the Town Assessor to complete the assessment roll.
- d. To meet with the Town Board of the Town of Palmyra in 2026 concerning the execution of a new pilot agreement or similar solution for payment in lieu of taxes.

Duly moved and carried by the Town Board of the Town of Palmyra on October 24th, 2024

7. Approve: Seth Pulcini Employment: Jim Welch made the motion to approve the employment of Seth Pulcini at the Town Highway Department. This was seconded by Doug DeRue, and a roll call vote was requested.

James Welch	Aye
Doug DeRue	Aye
Todd J. Pipitone	Aye
Brad Cook	Aye
Supervisor Rose	Aye

Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried

8. Approve: Purchase of Scanner/Printer for Town Clerk: Brad Cook made the motion to approve the purchase of a Scanner / Printer for the Town Clerk’s office, not to exceed \$220.00.

Second: Todd Pipitone Vote: 4 Ayes. Carried

9. Approve: Hearing date for Local Law #2-2024: Doug DeRue made the motion to approve a public hearing and meeting of the Joint Town & Village Boards on Monday November 25th, 2024 at 6:30 PM, at the Palmyra Town Hall, to review proposed *Local Law #2-2024: Authorization To Adopt Wayne County Local Law Allowing Enrolled Volunteer Firefighters And Volunteer Ambulance Workers To Be Eligible For A Real Property Tax Exemption*, as written. This was seconded by Todd Pipitone, and a roll call vote was requested.

James Welch	Aye
Doug DeRue	Aye
Todd J. Pipitone	Aye
Brad Cook	Aye
Supervisor Rose	Aye

Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried

Councilman Pipitone thanked Councilman DeRue and Mayor Husk for their work on this proposed law!

LOCAL LAW #2-2024 AUTHORIZATION TO ADOPT THE
WAYNE COUNTY LOCAL LAW
ALLOWING ENROLLED VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND VOLUNTEER
AMBULANCE WORKERS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A REAL PROPERTY TAX
EXEMPTION

WHEREAS, the Wayne County Board of Supervisors, County of Wayne, State of New York, adopted a local law to allow enrolled Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Workers to be eligible for a Real Property Tax Exemption under Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) §466-a; and

WHEREAS the Board of Supervisors of The County of Wayne adopted this Local Law #4-2023 on April 18, 2023, as follows:

SECTION 1. STATUTORY AUTHORITY.

The New York State Legislature has, heretofore, amended the Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) to authorize municipalities to permit enrolled volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance workers to be eligible for a real property tax exemption as is more particularly set forth in RPTL § 466-a which State statute was made effective as of December 9, 2022.

SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE INTENT AND PURPOSE.

The said RPTL § 466-a, among other things, allows for volunteers with two (2) years of qualifying service to apply for the tax exemption which will increase the number of eligible volunteers over existing law. The Board of Supervisors recognizes the role of volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers in securing the safety and well-being of our communities. The Board of Supervisors hereby finds that it is in the best social and economic interest of the County of Wayne to encourage volunteerism for said purposes. To that end, by providing the following exemption, and by making it available to a larger pool of volunteers, it is the intent to encourage volunteerism for our various fire and ambulance companies.

SECTION 3. EXEMPTION GRANTED.

A. Real property owned by an enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service or such enrolled member and spouse residing in Wayne County shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of ten percent (10%) of the assessed value of such property for County purposes, exclusive of special assessments.

B. Application for such exemption shall be filed with the Assessor having jurisdiction of the real property on or before the taxable status date on a form prescribed by the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance Office of Real Property Tax Services.

C. Such exemption shall not be granted to an enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service residing in Wayne County unless he or she meets each of the five (5) criteria set forth below:

1. *The applicant resides in the town or village which is served by such an incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service.*
2. *The property is the primary residence of the applicant.*
3. *The property is used exclusively for residential purposes; provided however, that in the event any portion of such property is not used exclusively for the applicant's residence but is used for other purposes, such portion shall be subject to taxation and the remaining portion only shall be entitled to the exemption provided by this section.*
4. *The applicant has served as an enrolled member with such volunteer fire company or fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service for a minimum of two (2) years; and*
5. *The incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department and incorporated voluntary ambulance service has submitted to the Wayne County Director of Emergency Management a complete list of enrolled members, with their respective dates of service for such an incorporated voluntary fire company or fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service. The Wayne County Director of Emergency Management shall then review all potential candidates and certify those that meet the necessary criteria to be eligible for this exemption.*

D. Any enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service who accrues more than twenty (20) years of active service and is so certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service, shall be granted the ten percent exemption as authorized by RPTL § 466-a for the remainder of his or her life as long as his or her primary residence is located within Wayne County.

E. Un-remarried spouses of volunteer firefighters or volunteer ambulance workers killed in the line of duty: *An exemption by an enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department, or incorporated voluntary ambulance service, to such deceased enrolled member's un-remarried spouse may be continued or re-instated if such member is killed in the line of duty; provided, however, that:*

1. *Such un-remarried spouse is certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service as an un-remarried spouse of an enrolled member of such incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service who was killed in the line of duty; and*
2. *Such deceased volunteers had been enrolled members for at least five (5) years; and*
3. *Such deceased volunteer had been receiving the exemption prior to his or her death.*

F. Un-remarried spouses of deceased volunteer firefighters or volunteer ambulance workers: *An exemption by an enrolled member of an incorporated*

volunteer fire company, fire department, or incorporated voluntary ambulance service may be continued or re-instated to such deceased enrolled member's un-remarried spouse; provided, however, that:

1. Such un-remarried spouse is certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service as an un-remarried spouse of a deceased enrolled member of such incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service; and
2. Such deceased volunteers had been enrolled members for at least twenty (20) years; and
3. Such deceased volunteer and un-remarried spouse had been receiving the exemption for such property prior to the death of such volunteer.

SECTION 4. EXISTING EXEMPTIONS PRESERVED.

No applicant who is a volunteer firefighter or volunteer ambulance worker who by reason of such status is receiving any benefit under the provisions of New York Real Property Tax Law Article 4 as of December 9, 2022 shall suffer any diminution of such benefit because of the provisions of RPTL § 466-a.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York and shall apply to taxable status dates occurring on or after January 1, 2024."

WHEREAS, the Palmyra Town Board has reviewed this Wayne County New York Local Law #4-2023 and agrees to adopt this exemption in the Town of Palmyra permitting enrolled volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance workers to be eligible for a real property tax exemption as is more particularly set forth in RPTL § 466-a which State statute was made effective as of December 9, 2022.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board that the Town of Palmyra adopts this exemption for enrolled Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Workers to be eligible for a Real Property Tax Exemption under Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) §466-a.

MOTION TO APPROVE TOWN CLAIMS AND EXPENDITURES

Todd Pipitone made the motion to approve the October 2024 Vouchers #2024-990 through #2024-1081, totaling \$330,851.01 as noted below:

Second: Doug DeRue 4 Ayes. Carried.

<u>Abstract Total of Vouchers Pre-Paid:</u>	
GENERAL FUND	\$ 6,155.13
PART TOWN	\$ 852.06
DB HIGHWAY	\$ 420.94
Total	\$ 7,428.13

<u>Abstract Total of Vouchers Un-Paid:</u>	
GENERAL FUND	\$ 22,976.11
PART TOWN	\$ 4,939.60
DA HIGHWAY FUND	\$ 13,232.47
DB HIGHWAY FUND	\$ 272,583.70
STAFFORD RD SEWER	\$ 9,691.00
Total	\$ 323,422.88

MOTION TO ADJOURN TOWN BOARD MEETING

At 7:20 PM, Todd Pipitone made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Doug DeRue

Vote: 4 Ayes. Carried

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Unterborn
Town Clerk

Next Meetings:

PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday November 7th, 2024, at 7 PM
Palmyra Town Hall

**PUBLIC HEARING & JOINT TOWN AND VILLAGE
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MEETING**

Monday November 25th, 2024, at 6:30 PM
Palmyra Town Hall

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

Tuesday November 26th, 2024, at 7:00 PM
Palmyra Town Hall