

Town of Palmyra – Minutes for 1904

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board held in the Justice Room, Village Hall, Wednesday, January 6th, 1904. Present: R. N. Backus, Supervisor; M. C. Finley, C. F. Griswold, J. M. Sutphen, and E. H. Clark, Justices; R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk.

R. N. Backus, Supervisor, called the meeting to order.

On motion, the Supervisor appointed a committee consisting of R. H. Barehaus, M. C. Finley, and E. H. Clark to act as a Finance Committee.

On motion, the disposal of the highway bills outstanding was laid on the table until next meeting. Carried.

On motion R. H. Barehaus was appointed a delegate to attend the State Convention of Good Roads at Albany on January 26 and 27, 1904.

No further business, the meeting adjourned on call of Supervisor.

R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk

Minutes of a special meeting of the Town Board held in the justice room, Village Hall on Monday, February 8, 1904. Present: R. N. Backus, Supervisor; M. C. Finley, J. M. Sutphens, C. L. Griswold, and E. H. Clark, Justices; R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk.

R. N. Backus, Supervisor, presiding and declare the meeting in order for business.

On motion the following highway bills were audited and ordered paid from the general fund:

1. Alfred Geer	gravel	\$ 6.08
2. Charles Wilbur	work	4.05
3. David M. Jeffrey	gravel	7.20
4. Isaac Cook	gravel	11.28
5. Jacob Crookston	gravel	10.00
6. Robert Coveney	gravel	10.05
7. L. D. Yucker	gravel	4.46
8. Ella M. Rogers	gravel	3.50
9. R. O. VanderBoget	gravel	1.50
10. Jacob Zeigler	work	3.75
11. John Bulmer	lumber	38.43
12. George C. Williams	lumber	2.25
13. Lawrence Duffy	work	9.00
14. Henry Warfield	work	3.00
15. A. R. Gumble	lumber	6.00
16. Carl J. Cunningham	work	12.00
17. G. A. Tuttle	mdse.	26.66

18. I. M. Lusk	work	21.00
19. Abraham Orbaker	work	59.50
20. Fred Martin	work	4.00
21. C. Sessions	tile & cement	87.41
	Total	\$331.12

The report of R. H. Barehaus sent by the Town Board as delegate to the New York State Convention of Good Roads at Albany January 26 and 27 was read and on motion was accepted and ordered placed on file.

No further business appearing, on motion the meeting adjourned.

R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk

Minutes of a special meeting of the Town Board held in the justice room, Village Hall on Monday, March 7th, 1904. Present: R. N. Backus, Supervisor; M. C. Finley, J. M. Sutphen, C. F. Griswold, and E. K. Clark, Justices of the Peace; R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk.

R. N. Backus presided in the courtroom and declared the Board in order for business.

On motion, the Highway Commissioner was directed to remove the snow which obstructed the road between Marion and Palmyra.

On motion, the Highway Commission be instructed to re-district the Highway District and reduce said districts from 48 to not exceed 25 districts and to appoint an assistant for each district. The Town Clerk was authorized to assist the Highway Commission.

On motion, the Highway Commission is hereby instructed to commence the operation of building a crushed stone road on the road known as the Marion-Palmyra Road, and the Board also accepts the offer of George S. Johnson to furnish a certain amount of stone free.

No further business, the meeting adjourned. R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk

Minutes of a special meeting of the Town Board held in the Town Clerk's Office on May 9th, 1904. Present: R. N. Backus, Supervisor; C. F. Griswold, M. C. Finley, J. M. Sutphen, and E. K. Clark, Justices; and R. H. Barehaus, Clerk.

Supervisor Backus called the meeting to order.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

John K. Williamson appeared before the Board and asked permission to build a new fence on highway land owned by the Town of Palmyra on the

highway running east and west from the West Shore Depot to be built on a line mutually agreed upon by the Highway Commission and Mr. Williamson. On motion, the request was granted.

The Commission of Highways and Town Clerk reported that they had reduced the highway districts from 48 to 26 and assistants had been appointed in each district. On motion, the Board accepted the report.

No further business, the Board adjourned. R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk

Minutes of a special meeting of the Town Board held in the Town Clerk's Office on Monday, May 23rd, 1904. Present: R. N. Backus, Supervisor; M. C. Finley, C. F. Griswold, J. M. Sutphen, Justices; and R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk.

Supervisor Backus presided and declared the meeting in order for business.

On motion, resolved that the stone crusher bought of the Climax Machine Company is hereby accepted and the invoice of the stone crusher and roller amount \$1500, less freight on the crusher is hereby order paid by check by the Supervisor. Carried

By an error in the County Treasurer's Office in 1903, the Town of Palmyra received \$145.50 of excise money, which belonged to the Town of Galen. The same upon investigation was found to be correct; and on motion, the same back to the County Treasurer. Carried.

No further business, the meeting adjourned. R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk

Change in Election Districts

Minutes of a special meeting of the Town Board held in the Justice Room of the Village Hall on Monday, June 20th, 1904, called for the purpose of re-districting the town from four election districts to three election districts.

Present: R. N. Backus, Supervisor; M. C. Finley, C. F. Griswold, J. M. Sutphen, and E. H. Clark, Justices of the Peace; and R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk.

On motion and duly carried, the districts were divided as follows: District No. 1 The 1st Election District of the Town of Palmyra shall be bounded as follows: Commencing at the northwest corner of the town line, thence running south along the west town line to the southwest corner of the town line, thence east along the southern boundary of the town to a point opposite the center of Fayette Street, thence north including all citizens living on the west side of Fayette and Market Streets, thence north

including all citizens living on both sides of Gooney and Spyer Road, thence west along the north boundary of the town to place of beginning.

District No. 2 commencing at the south town line at a point opposite the center of Fayette Street, thence north including all citizens living east of the center of Fayette and Market Streets, thence north including all citizens living east of the Spyer and Gooney Roads, thence east along the northern boundary of the town to No. 9 School House Road, thence south including all citizens living on both sides of No. 9 School House Road, thence south to the center of the canal, thence following the center of the canal to the town line, thence west along the southern boundary of the town to point of beginning.

District No. 3 commencing at a point at the northern boundary of the town running south including all citizens living east of No. 9 School House Road to the center of the canal, thence along the center of the canal to the town line including all citizens living north of the canal from place of beginning, thence north along the eastern boundary of the town, thence west along the town line to place of beginning.

R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk

Minutes of a special meeting of the Town Board held in the Justice Room, Village Hall on July 13, 1904. Present: R. N. Backus, Supervisor; R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk; M. C. Finley, J. M. Sutphen, and E. H. Clark, Justices of the Peace.

R. N. Backus presided and declared the meeting in order for business.

Judge S. N. Sawyer appeared before the meeting in regard to voting machine and road law. On motion the letter in regard to the voting machine was referred to Judge Sawyer and Supervisor Barehaus to correspond with the Attorney General.

On motion, the Bond of R. N. Backus road money was approved and order placed on file.

No further business appearing, the meeting adjourned.

R. N. Barehaus, Town Clerk

Minutes of a special meeting of the Town Board held in the Justice Room, Village Hall on August 12th, 1904. Present: R. N. Backus, Supervisor; M. C. Finley, J. M. Sutphen, E. H. Clark, and C. F. Griswold, Justices of the Peace; and R. H. Barehaus.

R. N. Backus, Supervisor presided and declared the Board in order for business.

On motion, the following named persons were appointed Inspectors of Elections for the following districts:

District No. 1: Samuel B. McIntyre and George a. Tuttle, Republicans; Henry M. Wood and Frederick E. Converse, Democrats.

District No. 2: Walter J. Gorman and Frank T. Bontall, Republicans; Julius W. Phelps and Augustus T. Foskelt, Democrats.

District No. 3: Fred B. Smith and Allen B. Robinson, Republicans; Clarence Brown and William Driscoll, Democrats.

On motion and duly carried: Adam Zeigler for East Palmyra and M. C. Finley for Village and Districts 1 and 2 were appointed voting machine Instructors.

Letter of information from the Attorney General in regard to voting machines was read and ordered placed on file.

The clerk was instructed to notify the several inspectors of their appointment.

No further business, the meeting adjourned. R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk

Special meeting of the town board held in the Justice Room on Tuesday, September 6th, 1904, called for the purpose of designating registration and voting places for the General Election to be held November 8th, 1904. Present: R. N. Backus, Supervisor; C. F. Griswold, M. C. Finley, E. H. Clark, and J. M. Sutphen, Justices; and R. H. Barehaus, Clerk.

R. N. Backus presided and declared the meeting in order for business.

On motion and duly carried, the following were designated:

- District No. 1 - Justice Room, Village Hall
- 2 – Store in Clemons Block
- 3 – Adam Zeigler's Blacksmith Shop, upstairs

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to notify the Overseers of Highways to cut weeds and rake stones from the highways forthwith.

No further business appearing, the meeting adjourned.
R. H. Barehaus, Clerk

Minutes of a special meeting of the Town Board held in the Justice Room, Village Hall on Monday, September 19th, 1904. Present: R. N.

Backus, Supervisor; J. M. Sutphen, C. F. Griswold, E. H. Clark, and M. C. Finley, Justices of the Peace.

R. N. Backus presided and declared the meeting in order for business.

On motion and duly carried, George G. Throop was appointed Truant Officer for the district schools in place of Carlton J. Foster. The term of office to commence October 1st, 1904, and to serve as Truant Officer until his successor is appointed and duly qualified.

On motion, the compensation of Truant Officer shall remain as heretofore and not to exceed over \$50 per year.

On motion and duly carried, the three voting machines purchased as per resolution on December 22nd, 1903, of the the U. S. Standard Voting Machine Company were accepted and ordered paid as per resolution as follows: Whereas, under the authority of the resolution passed by the Town Board on December 22nd, 1903, the Supervisor and Clerk of the Town of Palmyra in Wayne County and State of New York in its behalf purchased of the United States Standard Voting Machine Company and duly bound the town to pay fifteen hundreded dollars (\$1500) for the same.

Now therefore in order to provide for such payment, it is hereby resolved that the Supervisor and Clerk of this town be hereby authorized to borrow for it and in its name fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500) from Pliny T. Sexton, and to execute to him a certificate of indebtedness therefore promising to pay the same as follows; viz., \$500 on February, 1905; \$500 on February 15th, 1906; \$500 on February 15th, 1907; and to pay interest on the same or thereon until the principal be fully paid at the rate of five percent per annum on each February 15th.

Signed this 19th day of September, 1904. R. N. Backus, Supervisor
R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk
M. C. Finley, J. M. Sutphen
C. F. Griswold, E. H. Clark

No further business appearing, the meeting adjourned.

R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk

Minutes of the annual meeting of the Town board of audits in and for the Town of Palmyra on November 10th and 12th, 1904, and for the transaction of other business.

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to insure the voting machines, one which is located in a barn owned by Adam Zeigler in East Palmyra and two located near the entrance in the Village Hall.

On motion, the following bills were order paid:

1. A. C. Hopkins – Overseer of Poor	\$250.00
2. F. E. Converse – Inspector	14.00
3. G. A. Tuttle – Inspector	14.00
4. H. M. Wood – Inspector	14.00
5. S. B. McIntyre – Inspector	20.20
6. F. T. Bontale – Inspector	20.20
7. W. J. Gorman – Inspector	14.00
8. A. J. Foskelt – Inspector	14.00
9. J. W. Phelps – Inspector	14.00
10. A. B. Robinson – Inspector	24.20
11. William Driscoll – Inspector	14.00
12. Clarence Brown – Inspector	14.00
13. Fred R. Smith – Inspector	14.00
14. M. R. Clark – Poll Clerk	4.00
15. James West – Poll Clerk	4.00
16. T. H. Durfee – Poll Clerk	4.00
17. D. E. Lyon – Poll Clerk	4.00
18. H. L. Averill – Poll Clerk	4.00
19. William M. Parsons – Poll Clerk	4.00
20. George G. Throop – Truant Officer	24.00
21. George G. Throop – Constable	171.85
22. Fred F. Kelley – Constable	15.55
23. Isaac Vienna – Constable	11.60
24. Smith & Ziegler - Stationery	6.90
25. Adrian Elias – Boarding Prisoners	36.00
26. Charles McLouth – Attorney	10.00
27. Peter H. Ford – Voting Instructor	8.50
28. Isabel Sawyer – Assessor Roll	20.00
29. George C. Williams – Lumber and Work	1.91
30. J. P. Lusk – Highway Commissioner, 1903	36.75
31. Village of Palmyra – Rent	100.00
32. Lucius H. Clark – Surveyor	4.00
33. C. H. Hedden – Highway Commissioner	304.00
34. Williamson Law Book Company	17.80
35. G. A. Tuttle	1.57
36. Adam Zeigler – Rent and Instructing	30.00
37. F. W. Clemons – Rent	24.00
38. Reverend Peter McKenzie – Vital Statistics	1.00
39. Reverend E. J. Brooker – Vital Statistics	2.00
40. Reverend J. E. Hartley – Vital Statistics	1.25
41. Reverend G. A. Hubbard – Vital Statistics	.75
42. Reverend J. Mulendyke – Vital Statistics	1.25
43. Dr. W. J. Hennessey – Medical Attendant	3.00
44. Dr. L. H. Smith – Vital Statistics	6.25
45. Dr. J. VanDorn – Vital Statistics	1.00
46. Dr. H. L. Chase – Vital Statistics	8.00
47. Dr. W. J. Hennessey – Vital Statistics	6.25
48. Dr. L. B. Darling – Vital Statistics	7.50

49. Dr. D. McPherson – Vital Statistics		2.50
50. Palmyra Courier Printing		160.40
51. Palmyra Journal	268.70	234.50
52. C. Belty – Assessor	130.00	89.00
53. S. W. Sawyer – Assessor	166.62	115.62
54. A. Langdon – Assessor	142.27	98.27
55. C. H. Clark – Justice		40.50
56. J. M. Sutphen – Justice		60.75
57. C. G. Griswold – Justice		48.00
58. M. c. Finley – Justice		191.45
59. Dr. L. B. Darling – Health Officer	106.46	90.00
60. R. H. Barehaus – Town Clerk		397.00
61. G. S. Tinklepaugh – Attorney		32.00
62. S. N. Sawyer – Attorney		52.00
63. F. E. Converse – Attorney		30.00
64. Jerome C. Feller – Citizen Member, Board of Health		8.00
	Total	

On motion, the following sheep bills were ordered paid from the sheep fund by the Supervisor:

H. R. Durfee	Sheep Killed	35.00
Abram Fisher	Sheep Killed	15.00
C. H. Hedden	Sheep Killed	2.00
John VanHall	Sheep Killed	25.00
Frank Whitbeck	Sheep Killed	<u>8.00</u>
	Total	\$85.00

We, the undersigned, comprising a majority of the Town board of Town Auditors in and for the Town of Palmyra, Wayne County, New York, hereby certify that the above abstract of accounts is in all respects correct as audited and allowed by said Board this 10th and 12th days of November, 1904.

R. N. Backus, Supervisor
R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk
M. C. Finley, J. M. Sutphen,
C. F. Griswold, and E. H. Clark

Minutes of a meeting of the Town board of Settlements held in the Justice Room, Village Hall on Wednesday, December 28th, 1904. Present: R. N. Backus, Supervisor; R. H. Barehaus, Town Clerk; J. M. Sutphen, E. H. Clark, M. C. Finley, and C. F. Griswold, Justices of the Peace.

R. N. Backus, Supervisor, presided and declared the meeting in order for business.

R. N. Backus, Supervisor, presented his report, which was examined with vouchers, and the same found correct, showing highway receipts of \$4708.64; disbursements \$3858.60; balance on hand \$850.04. General Fund Receipts \$9359.99; disbursements of \$8666.16; balance on hand

\$693.83. Dog Fund Receipts \$259.80; disbursements \$101.00; balance \$158.80.

Alfred C. Hopkins, Overseer of the Poor presented his report with vouchers accompanying same, and upon examination was found correct, showing receipts of \$1956.75; disbursements of \$1956.75; overdrawn at the bank \$13.75.

No further business appearing, the meeting adjourned. R. K. Barehaus,
Town Clerk