

SPECIAL PRESENTATION by WAYNE ARC

A special presentation was made at 7:30 p.m. by Thomas Gramley, Executive Director of the Wayne ARC of Newark. Also attending was Melissa Kumkey, Director of Residential Services at Wayne ARC. They wanted town board members to be aware of a plan for them to purchase a 24-acre parcel with a large home, at 3405 Jeffery Rd. in Palmyra. This home, designated an Individual Residential Alternative (IRA), would be able to meet the needs of 5 high-energy young men in their 20s and 30s, with developmental disabilities, who need a safe place to live. They would receive supervision at all times and would be transported by the staff wherever they need to go. To have this property owned by the Wayne ARC would mean it would be removed from the tax rolls.

**WAYNE ARC
PRESENTA-
TION ABOUT
PROPOSED
INDIVIDUAL
RESIDENTIAL
ALTERNATIVE
HOME IN
PALMYRA**

The Town has three options concerning the proposed purchase:

- 1- They could agree with this proposed purchase,
- 2- They could disagree, and suggest alternate sites to consider, or
- 3- They could challenge the IRA due to "saturation" or that it would change the texture or nature of the community. The ARC would then write the Supervisor with the ARC's decision and rationale, allowing the town to respond within 40 days. No response indicates assent.

Councilman Mike Lambrix asked who would notify neighbors of this proposed purchase. Gramley responded that Wayne ARC would go door to door to meet the neighbors and invite them to a get-together.

The special presentation ended at 7:43 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD JANUARY 26, 2006

The regular meeting of the Town Board, Town of Palmyra, scheduled to be held on Thursday, January 26, 2006, at the Palmyra Town Hall, 1180 Canandaigua Road, Palmyra, NY, was called to order at 7:43 p.m. by Town Supervisor David C. Lyon.

**CALL TO
ORDER**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following board members were present:

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

MEETING ATTENDANCE

Also attending the meeting:

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| Todd Pipitone | Palmyra <i>Courier-Journal</i> reporter |
| Bob Grier | Palmyra Code/Zoning Officer |
| Mike Boesel | Palmyra Highway Superintendent |
| Thomas Gramley | Director, Wayne ARC, Newark |
| Melissa Kumkey | Director of Residential Services,
Wayne ARC, Newark |

MTN: APPRV 1/5/2006 MTG MINUTES

Motion was made by Dave Nussbaumer to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2006 meeting of the Town Board.

Second: Michael Lambrix

Vote: 5 ayes. Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

REQUEST FROM U.S. BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES TO NAME LOCAL HILL

1. U.S. Board on Geographic Names: Letter was received from the United States Board on Geographic Names from a Palmyra resident who requested that the highest point in Wayne County, the hill north of North Creek Road which has the town's water tower, have a name. The property owners, Paul and Erika Erkkila and Nancy Palmer contend that Jalapeño peppers grow particularly well on this hill, and propose the name Jalapeño Hill be selected. The letter states, "because local acceptance of any proposed name is very important to the Board, we would like to confirm that the summit is not named already on Town maps or documents, and if not, whether the Town of Palmyra Board of Supervisors would be in support of making official the name Jalapeño Hill for Federal use. We have also asked the government of Wayne County and the New York State Geographic Names Committee to review and comment on this request."

The formal request makes it the town's responsibility to respond. Town Board members had mixed reactions to the request. Mike Lambrix objected to the name feeling it is out of context with the area. Jim Welch felt the property owners can select a name they like and what's the difference what it is? An informal poll of board members showed most had no objection to the request. Dave Lyon said he would respond on the form in the affirmative.

2. 2006 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program: Letter was received from Congressman Jim Walsh's office notifying that there is scheduled at the Palmyra Town Hall a workshop on the 2006 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program. Grants through this program assist fire departments by funds from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Town Clerk Lynne Green has notified the three fire departments serving Palmyra of the workshop, on Tuesday, February 7, 2006 at 2 p.m.

**UPCOMING
WORKSHOP:
2006
ASSISTANCE TO
FIREFIGHTERS
GRANT
PROGRAM**
3. Morrison Excavating 4th Quarter 2005 escrow payment: Letter was received from Morrison Excavating, Inc., 740 Quaker Rd., Macedon, for gravel removed from the Division Street gravel pit during 4th quarter 2005. Check #33424 was for \$645.00.

**4TH QUARTER
EARNINGS FROM
DIVISION ST.
GRAVEL PIT**
4. Board of Assessment Review appointments for 2006: Letter was received from Bob Diener, Director of the Wayne County Real Property Tax Services concerning appointments to the Palmyra Board of Assessment Review (BAR) for 2006. Catherine C. Contant's term on the Board expired September 30, 2005. He wanted to know if the Town Board had reappointed her. His office schedules training for new appointees and for those starting a new term, so he needed to know the current makeup of the BAR.

**BOARD OF
ASSESSMENT
REVIEW
APPOINTMENTS**
5. Letter to Town Board from Security Camera company: Ronnie D. Lureman, owner of Country Manor Video in Rush, NY had sent a letter to the Town Board informing them of his closed circuit security camera products and services. Copies of the letter were distributed to Town Board members.

**LETTER TO
BOARD FROM
SECURITY
CAMERA
COMPANY**

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Buildings and Grounds Committee -- Kenneth Miller, Chairman

Ken Miller reported that building furnaces were cleaned and filters replaced. Jay Harding did electrical work on the Town Hall parking lot lights. There was an electrical short which turned off all parking lot lights.

Ken turned in to Town Clerk Lynne Green a "Facility Agreement" prepared by the American Red Cross for the use of Town Hall (excluding private offices) as a Short-Term Evacuation Shelter in time of an emergency.

Dave Lyon wondered if we should have counsel look over the agreement. Ken agreed, but felt it is "pretty straightforward" and that this presented no liability to the town. Bob Grier's concerns included the phrase "short-term"--if a large group of people would load the building's septic system, and if there would be storage of Red Cross supplies in the building. Dave Lyon gave an example of "short-term" as he understood it, such as a family being burned out of their home, needing a place to stay overnight. He also understood that no storage space had been requested with this agreement.

Lynne Green was asked to contact the Red Cross and ask for a copy of their insurance policy before returning the Facility Agreement.

Ken Miller made the motion to accept the American Red Cross Facility Agreement for short-term evacuation use.

**MTN: ACCEPT
RED CROSS
AGREEMENT**

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 ayes. Carried.

A copy of the agreement is included with these minutes as Attachment A.

Dave Lyon asked Ken to compliment the snow shoveler on the clean job he has done. When Dave arrived in the building this morning, sidewalks were clean.

Highway Committee – Michael Lambrix, Chairman

1. Highway Department Monthly Report: In his report for January, Highway Superintendent Mike Boesel outlined projects his crew

has worked on during the month. The unseasonably warm weather has minimized plowing and sanding. The crew has patched potholes around town, done tree and brush work on several roads and some ditching. Mike will attend a seminar on the new 2007 engine emission standards. He announced the date for the 21st Annual Palmyra Municipal Auction as Saturday, May 20, 2006, starting at 9:00 a.m.

**HIGHWAY DEPT.
MONTHLY
REPORT**

2. Letter of commendation to Michael Paul: A letter addressed to Mike Boesel thanked Highway Department Deputy Superintendent Michael Paul for special work he had done on his own for a neighbor. In several ways, and at different times, he had done nice things for her, including rescuing her dog who had pulled out his chain and became caught in the woods.

**MTN: SPECIAL
RECOGNITION
FOR MICHAEL
PAUL IN THE
HIGHWAY
DEPARTMENT**

Mike Lambrix made the motion to commend Michael Paul for the fine services he has performed on behalf of the Town of Palmyra, and especially to Mrs. Cree.

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 ayes. Uanimous.

3. Purchase a new skid steer loader: Mike Boesel budgeted a skid steer loader for 2006, and he asked board members to approve the purchase now so he can take advantage of the state contract price. Mike Lambrix made the motion to approve the purchase.

**MTN: APPROVE
PURCHASE OF
SKID STEER
LOADER**

Discussion centered around attachments for the loader. If there are attachments which are interchangeable, Mike could decide to keep them. Mike feels they can also be sold outright or included in this year's auction. Dave Lyon said the attachments would need to be declared surplus if they will be offered for sale.

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 ayes. Carried.

Planning Committee – James Welch, Chairman

Construction on Division Street: Councilman Jim Welch asked Bob Grier for an update on the construction of the apartment complex on Division Street. Bob said the first building is drywalled

**DIVISION
STREET
APARTMENTS
UPDATE**

and painted, as is the second one. Buildings 3 and 4 are under construction. They are moving along well, with Building 1 ready within a month. Builders have been taking advantage of the mild weather, with trim, carpet and appliances already installed.

Zoning Committee – David Nussbaumer, Chairman**CEO REPORT**

1. CEO Report: Code Enforcement Office Bob Grier submitted his report which summarizes activity through January 26, 2006.

**LEGAL ISSUES
UPDATE**

2. Update on legal issues: Dave Nussbaumer asked for an update on several properties whose owners have been taken to court by the town. A trailer was brought onto the Trolley Road property--a violation. Court was postponed until February. The North Creek property is being cleaned up per judge's order, and Matt Carrier pled guilty in court and was fined.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**MTN: ACCEPT
ASSESSOR'S
REPORT FOR
JANUARY 2006**

1. Assessor's Report for January: Town Assessor, Elaine Herman, has been taking advantage of the unseasonably warm weather to look at and photograph properties which were granted recent building permits in both the town and the village. The Assessor's office received a software upgrade to their maintenance program. This new software, coupled with the new tools purchased in 2004, are used frequently in updating property information. All of the property files have been sent to be microfilmed. Several boxes have been returned and files are now being refiled. STAR exemption forms are due by March 1st, so there have been many people coming to the Assessor's office to turn in their applications. Mike Lambrix made the motion to accept the Assessor's report.

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 ayes. Carried.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Various town boards' term expirations: Terms have expired on the Town Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and the Board of Assessment Review. It is the Town Board's responsibility to make the appointments to these boards:

a. Dave Nussbaumer made the motion to reappoint James Hodock to the Town Planning Board. Hodock's term had expired December 31, 2005, and he is willing to serve another 5-year term January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2010.

**MTN:
REAPPOINT
JAMES HODOCK
TO TOWN
PLANNING
BOARD**

Second: Ken Miller Vote: 5 ayes. Carried.

b. Mike Lambrix made the motion to reappoint Douglas DeRue to the Town Zoning Board of Appeals. DeRue's term had expired September 30, 2005, and he is willing to serve another 5-year term October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2010.

**MTN:
REAPPOINT
DOUGLAS
DERUE TO
TOWN ZONING
BOARD OF
APPEALS**

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 ayes. Carried.

c. Mike Lambrix made the motion to reappoint Catherine Contant to the Board of Assessment Review. Contant's term had expired September 30, 2005, and she is willing to serve another 5-year term October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2010.

**MTN:
REAPPOINT
CATHERINE
CONTANT TO
BOARD OF
ASSESSMENT
REVIEW**

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 ayes. Carried.

d. Bradley Griffith resigned from the Board of Assessment Review in 2005, leaving a vacancy. This term will expire in September 2006. An appointment to fill Brad's place would be a 9-month appointment to complete the unexpired term, and would require training this Spring. Richard Green has indicated willingness to serve on the Board of Assessment Review to complete this term.

Mike Lambrix made the motion to appoint Richard Green to the unfinished term of Bradley Griffith, to expire September 30, 2006.

**MTN: APPOINT
RICHARD GREEN
TO BOARD OF
ASSESSMENT
REVIEW**

Second: Ken Miller Vote: 5 ayes. Carried.

**MTN: APPROVE
FINANCIAL
RECORDS FOR
2005**

- 2. Board audit of 2005 financial records of Town Supervisor, Town Court and Town Clerk: At 8:13 p.m., town board members had the opportunity to audit the financial records of the Supervisor, Court and Clerk for the year 2005. The board reconvened at 8:31 p.m.

Ken Miller made the motion to approve the financial records of the Supervisor, Court and Clerk for 2005.

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 ayes. Carried.

**MTN: APPROVE
ABSTRACTS #96
AND #97**

- 3. Approve Abstracts #96 and #97: Dave Nussbaumer made the motion to approve the claims and expenditures shown on Abstract #96 (for vouchers already paid), which includes Voucher Numbers 6835 through 6845, for \$29,411.69 and Abstract #97, (for vouchers to be paid) which includes Voucher Numbers 6846 through 6940 for \$79,246.81.

Second: Mike Lambrix Vote: 5 ayes. Carried.

**MTN: ADJOURN
MEETING**

- 4. Motion to Adjourn: At 8:32 p.m., Mike Lambrix made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Ken Miller Vote: 5 ayes. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyndall Ann P. Green
Palmyra Town Clerk

ATTACHMENT A: "Facility Agreement" between the Town of Palmyra and the Wayne County Chapter of the American Red Cross for use of Town Hall facilities as Short-Term Evacuation Center

**NEXT MEETING:
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2006, AT 7:30 P.M.
PALMYRA TOWN HALL**