

## *PALMYRA SELECT BOARD MINUTES*

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**5-26-2021**

Members Present: Brian Barrows, Vondell Dunphy, Herbert Bates, Jo-Ann Brown, & Dave Gilbert

Present: Randy Robinson, David Leavitt, Gary Beem, Veronica Nicholson, Diane White, Patricia Turcic

6:00 pm – Meeting called to order by Chairman Barrows, Flag Salute.

Announcements: Town Office will be closed Monday in observance of Memorial Day.

RSU Warrants taken out of order, Motion by Jo-Ann to sign Budget Validation Warrants, second by Vondell. AIF Warrants signed, witnessed by Clerk Diane White.

RSU Director Veronica Nicholson stated that all budget articles passed at the hearing. Veronica had information on budget history showing increases over last ten years. A majority of increases in the past few years are due to debt service for school buildings that get reimbursed by the State.

6:09 Motion by Vondell to enter into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA, Section 405, subsection 6(A) – Employee Review with Randy, Herb second. AIF

7:05 Motion by Dave to come out of Executive Session, Jo-Ann second. AIF

7:06 Motion by Jo-Ann to enter into Executive Session to deliberate over an abatement pursuant to 36 MRSA Section 841(2), Herb second. Applicant joined the Board for session.

7:39 Motion by Dave to return to Regular Session, Herb second. AIF

### Reports:

Sexton/Cemeteries – Flags are out, cemeteries will be mowed this week so will be ready for Memorial Day.

Planning Board - Dave stated that DEP has permitted approval to create another lot next to Solar Farm on Route 2. Discussion concerning Attorney's assistance with Hometown Health Subdivision Amendment Application. Questions on Lot Owners Organization and Performance Bond or Irrevocable Line of Credit. Attorney will be asked to review documents when received from the Applicant.

Administrative Assistant/Treasurer - ACO Connie would like to take some time off in June. Board agreed to fill in as needed. Hot water heater in Modular Building cracked, need to replace. Will check on cost. Clint Southard is still asking for maintenance to be done to Hurds Corner Road. Haven't figured out who is responsible yet.

Have not assigned Boston Cane to anyone since Mary Sargent passed.

### Unfinished Business:

- Motion by Dave to accept minutes of last meeting as written, Vondell seconded. AIF
- Dave made a motion to accept Contract for Cemetery Mowing as written, Jo-Ann second. AIF Contract signed by Board, needs to be signed by Contractor.

### New Business:

- Dave made a motion to issue four Quit Claim Deeds, Vondell second. Delinquent taxes have been paid in full by Herman Watson on 3 lots (Map 1 Lots 54, 55, and 56) Daniel Bissell has paid taxes to date for property at Map 11 Lot 35A. Vote - AIF Quit Claim deeds signed by the Board.
- Dave made a motion to purchase Extended Warrantee for the 2021 Western Star Truck, Herb second. Coverage TC4, 7 years at a cost of \$4800. Vote - AIF
- Discussion on gym use for Ray Stafford Trio to have dances once a month. Agreed on regular fee of \$125 per use. Would like to have urinals repaired.

8:24 Motion by Vondell to enter into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA, Section 405, subsection 6(A) – Employee Review with Priscilla, Vondell second. AIF

Dave made a motion to increase Randy's rate of pay by 3% (.50 per hr) Brian second. Discussion on keeping better eye on work being done. Vote – 4 in favor, Herb opposed.

Jo-Ann made a motion to increase Priscilla's rate of pay to \$19.50 per hour, Dave second. AIF

Payroll & AP Warrants signed

Meeting Adjourned 8:56

*Respectfully Submitted*

*Priscilla Jones*