

## *PALMYRA SELECT BOARD MINUTES*

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**3-23-2022**

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

Present: Bill Freudenberger, Melinda, Diane & Jenna Charrier, Gerald Sawtelle, Randy Robinson, Donald Gage, Bradley Choiniere, Herb Brindley, Scott Stanton.

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

Public Access: Bill Freudenberger addressed the board with concerns of condition of the Gale Road. Road is impassable for most vehicles due to spring thaw. Bill would like to know what can be done to improve condition of road and questioned funds being spent on other roads in better condition. Charrier's also residents of the Gale road voiced concerns. Jenna read a letter from Hartland Fire Chief Charles Gould (attached). Residents Scott Stanton and Herb Brindley also voiced concerns. Brad Choiniere did a presentation on updating the town's web site. Brad will write up a proposal for initial cost and monthly maintenance.

6:45 Dave made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA, Section 405, subsection 6(A) – Employee Matter – Randy – Jerry, Herb second. AIF Randy went first, returned at 6:58  
Jerry joined Board.

7:13 Motion by Dave to come out of executive session, Vondell second. AIF

### Reports:

CEO – Report Submitted

Planning Board - Reports Submitted

Administrative Assistant/Treasurer – Treasurers Statement to date submitted. Priscilla explained items on Management Letter from Auditor. Electrician thought sensor for light at Salt Shed would not work due to type of light. Offer from Consumer Energy Solutions to help reduce Electric Bill. Need more information. Contents have been removed from old safe at Town Hall. Records were damp and getting moldy. Need another safe to store them in. Have a request to hold a Corn Hole Tournament to raise funds for Cancer here this summer. If alcohol is going to be involved need to have insurance and or responsible party.

### Unfinished Business:

- Motion by Dave to accept minutes of last meeting as written, Vondell second. AIF
- Board agreed to add suggestions from Code Officer to Fee Schedule revision by Planning Board. Priscilla will integrate changes and have ready for Planning Board to review and Select Board to consider for approval at next meeting.

### New Business:

- Dave made a motion to accept slate of Ballot Clerks as presented, Jo-Ann second. Brian read list (attached). Diane would like to have more Ballot Clerks available, if anyone knows of anyone who may be interested.  
Vote – AIF
- Realized it is time to elect a Chair and Vice Chair. Vondell nominated Brian Barrows for Chair, Dave second. No other nominations. Brian received 4 votes. Brian nominated Vondell Dunphy for Vice Chair, Jo-Ann second. No other nominations. Vondell received 4 votes.
- Dave made a motion to continue with same contractor for Cemetery Mowing this year, Herb second. AIF

- Discussion on hiring another person for Road Commissioner position making 4 regular Public Works employees. Question as to whether budget will support this. Jo-Ann made a motion to hire Sheldon Neal as Road Commissioner, Vondell second. AIF This will be a full time position. Vondell made a motion to set rate of pay at \$19 per hour, Dave second. AIF

Payroll & AP Warrants signed

Meeting Adjourned 8:27

*Respectfully Submitted*  
*Priscilla Jones*