

## *PALMYRA SELECT BOARD MINUTES*

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9-14-2022

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

Present: Sheldon Neal, Donald Gage, John Hunt, Carlton Preble, Pat White

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

Announcements: Special Town Meeting following Board Meeting.

There will be a Public Hearing Wednesday September 28 at 6 PM regarding the adoption of the 2022 – 2023 General Assistance Ordinance Maximums.

Hazardous Waste Drop Off Day scheduled for October 1<sup>st</sup> at the Pittsfield Transfer Station.

Public Access: John Hunt asked the Board about what was required for his band to rent the gym for a dance W/BYOB. Suggested to purchase event insurance (not required), someone would need to take responsibility for keeping things under control. The usual fee and security deposit. They plan to hold a Halloween Dance on October 29<sup>th</sup>.

Donald Gage told the Board that he was in on-call status and planned to return to work after classes in December. The Board did not disagree.

Carlton Preble asked about the Rock Rake, Sheldon stated that it is back at the Garage and they have use for it and plan to hang on to it. Carlton inquired as to the possibility of renting or hiring the equipment for use on his long driveway.

### Reports:

Public Works – Sheldon asked if he had any say in Donald's status. It was decided to have an executive session at the next meeting to discuss further. Also asked about Randy's wages. Will invite Randy to attend executive session next meeting. Dave mentioned he has had positive comments on roadside cleanup. Road crew will take down worn flags.

Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) - Report Submitted, Travis will be contacting attorney concerning tires.

Planning Board – Minutes Submitted

Administrative Assistant/Treasurer – Treasurers Statement to date submitted. Would like to change Auditors this year. Trying to get in touch with Maine Audit Services. Efficiency Maine has another program to assist with new lighting. Am trying to figure out what we may be eligible for. Question was asked about roller skating in the gym. Decided it would be difficult to police, hard on the floor and not a good idea. Tops (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) is looking for a space to meet. They are nonprofit and short on funds since Covid. Would make donations when have available funds. Board agreed to let them use a class room. Priscilla will be on vacation next week.

### Unfinished Business:

- Motion by Vondell to accept minutes of last meeting as written, Jo-Ann seconded. 4 in Favor - Herb did not attend meeting.

### New Business:

- Motion by Jo-Ann to accept abatement for Donald Davis for valuation of \$19,000, Dave second. Homestead application was misplaced and did not get added to account. Vote – AIF
- Motion by Jo-Ann to accept abatement for TGL Palmyra LLC for tax of \$498.10, Vondell second. A portion of the lot was sold and assessed to new owner. Acreage did not get deducted from original lot. Vote – AIF

- Jo-Ann made a motion to accept MVR as presented, Dave second. AIF MVR (Municipal Valuation Return) signed by the Board. Copy will be made for Commitment Book and original sent to Maine Revenue Services.
- Jo-Ann would like to make recreational activities available for seniors. She and Vondell have been looking into Pickle ball. Also mentioned Corn Hole. Discussion on use of the Gym and how to set up for play. The Board supports the idea. Jo-Ann will post on social media to see how many may be interested.

Payroll & AP Warrants signed

Meeting Adjourned 6:45

*Respectfully Submitted*  
*Priscilla Jones*