

PALMYRA SELECT BOARD MINUTES

7-9-2025

Members Present: Brian Barrows, Herbert Bates, Michael Cray, and Charles Fields

Citizens: Planning Board Members: David Leavitt, Bill MacLaren, Gail Jones, and Corey Dow, Corey Collins, Michelle, MaKenna, Braden and Vivian Humphrey, Jo-Ann Brown, Amy Fair, Pat White, Vondell Dunphy, Claude Thornton, CEO Travis Gould, Lorna & Ron Rowe.

6:00 pm – Meeting called to order by Chairman Brian Barrows - Flag Salute

Public Hearing held on the amendment to Subdivision Ordinance concerning shared septic systems. No comments from the public, Hearing closed.

Announcements: Special Town Meeting Wednesday July 16th at 7:00 pm.

Public Access: Amy Fair addressed the Board concerning reviving the Palmyra Recreation Committee. Amy is a resident of Palmyra and has been working with Tri Town Rec on Sports Programs for children in our area. She would like to see more organization in Palmyra and involvement from parents and families. Michelle Humphry (Head of the Tri Town Program) spoke in favor of Amy's wishes and would also like to see more involvement from those participating in overseeing programs. The Board very much appreciates the work they are doing and supports Amy in her efforts. Suggested Amy get in touch with Jenifer Watson, most recent Rec Leader, for input.

Reports:

Public Works – Still having issues with Beavers on Weeks and Spring Hill Roads. Dogtown road has a washed out culvert and a rock working up in the road that will have to be addressed soon. Traffic on the Dogtown Road has increased due to development. Square Road has trees with branches over hanging the road. Compactor needs a new motor. Rented excavator will be arriving tomorrow. Back Hoe brakes not working.

Charlie made a motion to hire a Trapper to take care of the Beaver issue, Herb second. AIF

Herb made a motion to purchase a motor for the compactor, Charlie second

Mike and Charlie plan to meet with the road crew tomorrow morning to prioritize work for the summer.

Sexton/Cemeteries – Vondell has been in contact with Engstrom to check on tree removal.

Planning Board – Dave updated the Board. Planning Board is very thankful for new members. A number of questions arose from the public hearing for business on Main Street. Awaiting submissions for Poulin Subdivision. Gail would like to see All Fees to be paid in advance added to the Fee Schedule.

Administrative Assistant/Treasurer – Received a letter from Town Manager Chris Littlefield of Hartland requesting to begin a dialogue regarding potential collaboration to address police safety and public security. Would like to arrange a preliminary meeting to discuss this.

Unfinished Business:

- Motion by Herb to accept minutes of last meeting as written, Charlie second. 3 in favor, Mike did not attend the meeting.
- Mike made a motion to appoint William (Bill) MacLaren to the Planning Board as a regular Member and William (Bill) Freudenberger as an Alternate, Herb second. AIF
- The State is working on the Speed Study on Lang Hill Road.

New Business:

- Mike made a motion to approve Amendment Application for Somerset Pour House for an event, Herb second. AIF The State Board will be notified on line.

- Mike made a motion to authorize Norman to hire a part time Flagger for up to \$15 per hour and part time Truck Driver for up to \$25 per hour as needed, Charlie second. AIF
- Mike mentioned work needed at the Webster Cemetery. Work is being done now on the surrounding fields so would be a good time to improve access to the cemetery. Will have to look at the budget to see what is available.
- Herb has been contacted by Darge concerning next year's winter sand. If can get at same price as last year would like to continue with Darge. Have had good service and product from them.

Payroll & AP Warrants signed

Meeting Adjourned 7:01

Respectfully Submitted,

Priscilla Jones