

## ***PALMYRA SELECT BOARD MINUTES***

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**9-25-2024**

Members Present: Brian Barrows, Vondell Dunphy, Jo-Ann Brown, and Herbert Bates.

Citizens: Marie Waltman, John Skillin, Dave Leavitt, Gail Jones, Pat White, Charlie Fields, Kyle & Hillary Halford,

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

Public Hearing – General Assistance Maximums – Chairman Barrows opened the Public Hearing – A few questions from the public as to use of General Assistance and how much is budgeted. \$5000 is budgeted, 70% of any amount needed is reimbursed by the State. We are well within the budget with reimbursements. Hearing Closed – Herb made a motion to accept the state maximums, Jo-Ann second. All present in Favor

Public Access: Marie Waltman spoke to the board concerning her delinquent taxes. She would like to make an agreement to make monthly payments until taxes could be paid off in full, which should be in the next few months. Vondell made a motion to accept payment of \$25 per month for property at 665 Lang Hill, Herb second. AIF - Written agreement was signed by both parties.

### Reports:

Public Works: – Almost done with the Brush Cutting, Gerry Sawtelle will be grading roads. Plan to have Hiram Fuller replace driveway culverts. Discussion on where to purchase culverts. Have pricing from F.W. Webb.

Sexton/Cemeteries – Contacted Allen Lord concerning Stone Repair. He has done allotted work for this year. He is pretty much caught up with repairs except for Spring Hill Cemetery. He understood that women from DAR would be doing work next year.

Planning Board – Minutes Submitted – Dave Leavitt reported that the Board had done a preliminary review of Subdivision Application with Colin Quinn.

Administrative Assistant/Treasurer – Had a request from a resident for a warning sign for resident with alztimers walking the road. Resident on new road would like to have road sign put up. Need to clean out meeting room to make room for November election. Excess furniture will be put in the hall way and be free for the taking. Have a few Tax Acquired properties that need to be dealt with. Herb agreed to speak to owners. Received call from CDC to notify the Town that a Horse that had died in Palmyra tested positive for Eastern Equine Encephalitis. Disease from mosquito bites. CDC will be sending more information.

### Unfinished Business:

- Motion by Vondell to accept minutes of last meetings as written, Jo-Ann second. 3 In Favor Brian did not attend meeting.
- Motion by Jo-Ann to accept quote from Lawson's Landscape & Construction to fix drainage problem in back of Community Center, if can start right away, Vondell second. May get another quote if work cannot be started right away. Vote - AIF

### New Business:

- Motion by Jo-Ann to accept supplemental for penalty to take acreage out of Farm Use, Herb second. Dean Cray plans to develop a house lot at Map 7 Lot 19 so asked for 2 acres to be taken out of Farm Use. Vote – AIF

- Motion by Jo-Ann to accept Supplemental for Buildings on Map 1 Lot 44-9B, Herb second. This dwelling was missed. AIF
- Motion by Jo-Ann to deny abatement request from Chris Cookson per recommendation from assessor, Herb second. AIF
- Motion to issue Junk Yard permits to Double E Salvage, Frank & Kelley's Garage, Rowe's Auto Salvage, Repair & Towing and Rowe's Auto. CEO inspected and found all to be in compliance. Ben Gilbert of Ben's Auto Body has been contacted and told what he needs to do in order to get his Permit. Vote – AIF Permits signed by Board members present.
- Motion by Vondell to authorize Treasurer to restructure Bank accounts at Bangor Savings bank, Jo-Ann second. Able to earn more interest and insure funds are always covered by FDIC by restructuring accounts. Current checking is not in an interest bearing account. Additional fees would be more than covered by interest earned. Designated funds would be placed in Money Market accounts. Vote – 3 In Favor, Herb Opposed, wanted more information. Motion approved.

Payroll & AP Warrants signed

Meeting Adjourned 7:19

*Respectfully Submitted, Priscilla Jones*