REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD

PALMYRA TOWN HALL NOVEMBER 20, 2012

At 7:30 p.m., Supervisor Kenneth Miller called to order the Town Board meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, November 20, 2012, at Palmyra Town Hall, 1180 Canandaigua Road, Palmyra, New York.

CALL TO ORDER

As prescribed by law, a copy of tonight's agenda was posted on the Town Hall bulletin board before the meeting, available for all to read.

AGENDA AVAILABLE TO PUBLIC

Supervisor Miller led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Upon roll call, the following board members were present:

Kenneth F. Miller, Supervisor James Welch, Deputy Supervisor David Nussbaumer, Councilman Michael Lambrix, Councilman Todd J. Pipitone, Councilman

ROLL CALL

Also attending: Highway Superintendent Mike Boesel

MEETING ATTENDANCE

Motion was made by Todd Pipitone to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2012 meeting of the Town Board.

MTN: APPROVE MINUTES OF 10/25/2012 TOWN BOARD MEETING

Second: Mike Lambrix Vote: 4 Ayes. 1 Nay, Carried.

Motion was made by Dave Nussbaumer to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2012 meeting of the Town Board.

MTN: APPROVE MINUTES OF 11/8/2012 TOWN BOARD MEETING

Second: Jim Welch Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried.

COMMUNICATION

Marion Rezoning Request: As part of protocol, the Town of Marion sent a letter with a resolution to "Authorize Public Hearing for the Purpose of Rezoning" a property at 3830 Walworth Road. The hearing will be held on December 10, 2012, at 7 p.m. in the Marion Municipal Room. They also request "input from all parties receiving copies of this resolution" prior to December 17, 2012 for Town Board review. Palmyra Town Board members had no comment at this meeting.

MARION REZONING REQUEST

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Economic Development, Appeals and Town Clerk's Office Committee – Todd Pipitone, Chairman

- 1. **Town Clerk's Office Report for October/November:** Bullet points show special items worked on during these two months, in addition to "routine" work helping customers at the counter and answering phones:
 - During October, our office remained extremely busy collecting school taxes and answering requests for school tax information on the phones. The first week of November, the last tax payments were deposited, balances were completed and sent to Palmyra-Macedon School's Business Office for balancing, along with Wayne and Ontario Counties. We could balance via email/fax/mail thanks to new Williamson Law Book program we use. Thanks, Joan for helping. Thanks, Ken for picking up reports.
 - Final paid tax tally was \$12,842,121.20 of the \$13,715,406.52 to be collected of regular taxes. All \$445,020.56 in-lieu-of-tax payments were collected. Total billed to the high school was \$17,620.00...\$2,620.00 more than budgeted! (Up from \$15,883.19 last year). Town's bill to the school approved at November 13th School Board meeting.
 - Irene is organizing escrow information from mortgage lenders, and coordinating information with Assessor's office Town and County tax collection, which starts January 1.
 - Vital records filed, made bank deposits, balanced accounts, many genealogy, marriage and death requests, as well as FOIL requests this month.
 - Dog renewal notices were sent out, plus late-renewal postcards.
 - Town Hall was readied for National Election Day on November 6. Includes getting suitcases of supplies, etc. from Board of Elections.
 - Doe permits and hunting licenses saw brisk sales at the counter during November.
 - Follow-up to Board meetings include sending out for signatures 3 fire department contracts, filing Local Law #1 with NYS in Albany, getting correct signatures, sending by certified mail, sending Rabies Control Agreement to County for signatures, follow-up with County Highway on 2 petitions for lower speed limits, preparing new Code Enforcement Office Agreement with Village, prepare for Public Hearing on 2013 budget, including all legal notices.
 - Getting minutes and all attachments to Board members for review of October 25 and November 8 meetings for approval at November 20 meeting.
 - Received invoice from Biel's for Archives Software Upgrades for 2012--\$670.00. Vouchered.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE REPORT FOR OCTOBER/ NOVEMBER

- Celeste's PC arrived and is installed. It can handle new Biel's & Application Xtender software.
- Updated Contracts/Agreements index. All the new out-ofdistrict water users were added.
- Irene attended "Fall Local Government Workshop" in Batavia with Supervisor Miller on Nov. 16th. "Successful Grant Writing", taught skills needed to write compelling state and federal grants, where to find funding sources, how to prepare information asked for in grant applications (ie work plans, budgets, etc), how to prepare a "logic model" used on applications, and tips for developing state and federal grant applications. The presenter, Margit Brazda Poirer, shared a list with numerous grant information sources. I found the two most common www.grants.gov and www.foundationcenter.org to be most helpful for our uses. Next, we learned more about impacts of invasive species, vectors through which they spread, Hydrilla (aggressive water weed) and Emerald Ash Borer (Asian beetle responsible for killing Ash trees in the northeast). The final workshop discussed "Impacts of the Natural Gas Drilling Industry in PA". Prof. Frantz from Cornell University reported on implications of a potential gas drilling boom (Hydrofracking) in NYS, what planners should do to prepare for this boom, how to minimize potential adverse impacts of the industry on residents and public infrastructure. If you would like further information regarding any of these topics (especially the Grant Writing), please let Irene know. She would be happy to share it with you.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE REPORT FOR OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

2. <u>Digitization & Scanning Basics Seminar:</u> Notice was received of a seminar offered by the Regional Library Council on Digitization and Scanning Basics in Fairport on November 27. Short discussion followed by Board members.

DIGITIZATION & SCANNING BASICS SEMINAR

3. **Regional Educational Seminar:** Notice was also received of a seminar offered by the NY State Town Clerks Association in Rochester on December 3rd. Topics are "Your Legal Responsibilities" and "Disaster Planning and Preparedness for Records Managers." Short discussion followed by Board members.

NYSTCA REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR

4. **Biel's Invoice Payment:** The invoice was received from Biel's, the Records and Archives company that worked with us on a successful grant to scan and digitize Town records. The invoice is to pay the 2012 fee for upgrade services for the software we use called ApplicationXtender. The invoice amount of \$670 has been discussed previously, and the voucher prepared for this evening's approval.

BIEL'S INVOICE PAYMENT FOR 2012 SOFTWARE SERVICES FOR APPLICATION XTENDER PAYMENT FOR ATTENDANCE AT BIEL'S USERS' EXPO 5. Payment for Attendance at Biel's Users' Expo: Biel's is the location of the seminar Celeste attended on September 25, 2012. Word was not received until after the August Town Board meeting, so the Board was not able to pre-approve her attendance there. As Town Clerk, I had authorized her attendance there, and she went with the understanding there would be no cost to the Town for travel expenses.

The Town Board approved the following statement and asked that it be included with these minutes:

"As Town Clerk, I am the direct supervisor of the Deputy Clerk-Archives. In this capacity, I authorized the Deputy Clerk-Archives to attend the Biel's 2012 Users' Expo on September 25, 2012, as a function of her job duties and as a representative of the Town of Palmyra. I take full accountability for the fact that the Deputy Clerk-Archive's attendance and travel to and from the Biel's Users' Expo on September 25, 2012 was not approved by the Town Board. I will work with the Supervisor and members of the Town Board to put procedures in place to ensure that something of this nature does not happen in the future."

Highway Committee – James Welch, Chairman

1. **November Highway Report:** Highway Superintendent Mike Boesel submitted the following report From October 25 to November 20, 2012:

Highway Superintendent Report for Town Board Meeting 11/20/2012

NOVEMBER HIGHWAY REPORT

Since the 10/25/12 meeting we have completed the following work:

- Fleet Maintenance all trucks
- Hauling Hauled Sand and stone
- Inter-municipal Assistance
 - o 10/26/12 2 Palmyra trucks to WC Hwy assisting with paving Leroy Rd Bridge
 - o 11/14/12 4 Palmyra trucks to WC Hwy assisting with paving around WC Hwy Dept.

Other miscellaneous items include:

• **Hurricane Sandy** – On the evening of Monday 10/29/12 I received three WC 911 calls, starting at 5:18pm for a sign down, 6:26pm for a tree on Quaker Road, and 10:24pm for trees with wires on Leroy Road. On Tuesday we spent

the day performing general road patrols and townwide cleanups on all roads. We had our generator, chain saws, sand bags, etc all ready for the storm but we never lost power.

- **Red Barn Roof** JZ Construction started the red barn roof replacement on Tuesday 11/13/12 and completed it on Friday 11/16/12. Brad Jacobs also completed some mason repairs and the barn is shaping up. It was a long time coming for this roof job. Thank you for helping to make this happen!
- **Personnel** Michael Woodard started his full-time employment with the Town of Palmyra Highway Department on 11/13/12. Thank you for helping to complete this hiring process!!
- Training On Friday November 2, 2012 I attended the Association of Towns Personnel and Ethics School. This seminar was broken into two tracks, Ethics Track and Personnel Track. I attended the Personnel Track with Supervisor Miller and Bookkeeper Petra Anderson. The four individual sessions we attended were Civil Service Issues & Updates, Controlling Employee Fraud, Theft, Waste and Abuse, Contract Negotiations, and Essential Personnel Policies.

NOVMBER HIGHWAY REPORT

- **Snow Fence** Snow fence letters will be mailed out this week. We intend to start installing snow fence in the coming weeks.
- Winter Preparations Over the past several weeks, we started re-installing front plow hitches on all the trucks. We also completed hauling in our annual stockpile of sand. We have also taken tarps off and outfitted the trucks with their sanders. We are essentially ready for the winter season.

Mike expanded on his report by saying that bracing for Hurricane Sandy meant getting the generator ready and sandbags, taking three 9-1-1 calls, and being an excellent "dry run" for a real disaster here in the future.

Mike praised the roofers, saying they did a "fantastic job" on the red barn roof, that it was an "incredible deal" and Ken added, "we did it right."

Mike stated that the snow fencing will go up soon.

Mike also said his training with Ken and Petra in Syracuse was valuable, especially the part on personnel, that he learned good things there. Jim Welch added that next year, preplanning and timing of new hires will be important.

SNOW AND ICE CONTRACT WITH WAYNE COUNTY

2. **Snow & Ice Contract with Wayne County:** The town received the 2012-2013 Season Snow and Ice Contract from Wayne County recently. Mike Boesel hadn't seen the contract yet, so he had no comment. He was specifically looking for the amount of payment per trip from the County to Palmyra. There was no Board discussion at this time.

When asked by Board members how this is calculated, Mike said this depends "on many factors, such as pay rates, salt mix and the number of miles plowed." He will review the contract and comment at the December meeting.

Operations and Planning Committee

- Mike Lambrix, Chairman

NOVEMBER PLANNING BOARD MEETING

1. **November Planning Board Meeting:** Minutes of the Town Planning Board meeting on November 12th were available for Town Board members to read.

NO PLANNING BOARD REPLACEMENT YET

2. **Town Planning Board Replacement:** To follow up on the Town Board's request at the meeting in October, the prospective Planning Board replacement was not notified of the date the Board was to meet in November. Ken Miller said Dan Wooden expects to invite him to the December 10 meeting, so he can decide if he would be willing to make the commitment to serve.

UPDATE ON HANDICAPPED RAMP

3. **Update on Handicapped Ramp:** Mike Lambrix commented on the "new expansion material" used to repair the ramp at Town Hall, saying he has noticed cracks already. He suggested a concrete caulk be used, and asked Mike Boesel to fix it.

BUDGETING IN FUTURE WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT

4. **<u>Budgeting in the Future:</u>** Mike Lambrix concluded by cautioning all department heads that budgeting for the next four years will be very difficult. Since New York State has a high unemployment rate, and as people move out of the state to get tax relief, we will all need to watch the budget carefully—especially at training seminars.

Zoning and Assessor's Office Committee - David Nussbaumer, Chairman

1. **Assessor's Office Report for November:** The Assessor's office sends information to Wayne County at this time to be included in the Town and County tax bills which are printed in December and mailed out December 31st. While the good weather holds out, Elaine visits properties to assess values.

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE REPORT FOR NOVEMBER

2. **November Code Enforcement/Zoning Office Report:** The November CEO Report was included in Board packets. There were no comments from the Board.

CODE/ZONING OFFICE REPORT FOR NOVEMBER

3. Code Enforcement Contract Renewal with Village: The agreement the Town has with the Village for consolidation of the Code Enforcement offices and services expires December 31, 2012. A new agreement, with the same terms, was prepared for Board reading and approval. The question arose as to why \$100 per month is paid to the Town "towards a new vehicle for the Code Enforcement Officer"—should it be increased or eliminated? Ken Miller said he'd follow up on the question and report back to the Board.

CODE ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT RENEW WITH VILLAGE

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Hazard Mitigation Plans: Village, Town, County: Wayne County has made an effort to work with towns and villages, filling out forms for emergency planning. Mike Lambrix and Village Clerk/Treasurer Alicia Lynch are putting together access to funding if the need arises. Ken added both town and county benefit by such planning.

HAZARD MITIGATION PLANS

2. **Proposed Water District—Parker Road:** Ken has talked with Dave Doyle of MRB Group to put together a "letter of interest" to residents of Parker Road, to see if enough of them would like to extend the current water district north to the Marion Town border. Several residents have expressed an interest in such an extension.

PROPOSED WATER DISTRICT— PARKER ROAD ROUTE 31 EAST SEWER DISTRICT RESIDENT SURVEY

- 3. **Route 31 East Sewer District Resident Survey:** Ken has also spoken with Dave Doyle of MRB Group about resurrecting the Route 31 East Sewer District, and proposed a "letter of interest" to those residents to see if they are currently interested in having sewer service East of the Village to or near to Hammond Road.
- 4. **Report on Syracuse Training Session:** Ken submitted a report on the "2012 Fall Personnel & Ethics School" he attended with Petra. He states:

REPORT ON SYRACUSE TRAINING SESSION OF 2012 FALL PERSONNEL & ETHICS SCHOOL "Petra and I attended this event on Friday, November 2^{nd} . There were 2 paths to follow and we focused on the topic of 'civil service issues', 'contract negotiation', 'employee fraud, theft, waste, abuse, and personnel policies'. The 2^{nd} path, which we might attend in the future, was on ethics and integrity.

"The general sessions were very informative and I saw several applications where we can use the training not only in the process of negotiating, but in the general understanding of the consequences of not managing the bargaining correctly."

He added that he had the opportunity to speak with a Labor Relations Consultant who shared some recommendations with Ken, and comes highly rated by municipalities he has worked with.

REPORT ON BATAVIA TRAINING SESSION ON "FALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT WORKSHOP" 5. **Report on Batavia Training:** Ken and Irene attended the "Fall Local Government Workshop" on November 16th. Irene's report is part of the Town Clerk's office Report to the Board.

Ken added information learned about the impacts of invasive species, especially the Emerald Ash Borer that kills Ash trees, and the impact of hydrofracking in PA as they drill for natural gas.

REQUEST FOR ACTION ON HARRIS/ SHILLING RDS. 6. <u>Max Albertson—Harris/Shilling Roads:</u> Mike Boesel was contacted by Mr. Albertson about an issue on Shilling Road. Ken Miller said no action is being taken at this time, and that Mr. Albertson should write a letter to the Board with his request.

7. **Controlling Employee Fraud, Theft, Waste and Abuse:** Information from a presentation attended by Ken on this topic, was given to the Board for their information and future follow-up if desired.

CONTROLLING EMPLOYEE FRAUD, THEFT, WASTE & ABUSE

8. Request for Radio Tower with No Remuneration to Town: Local police, fire departments, Emergency Services, feel they need a "radio system that works better" than their current one for their communications. The request was made to locate this tower on the ladder of the Town's water tank on North Creek Road. Several concerns came up in discussion: next to the water tank is a radio/cell phone tower: can that one be used; need to contact water tank manufacturer to see if proposed tower can be safely connected to the ladder; what coverage would this arrangement have with our insurance for any damages; should the Town honor the request for this tower to be "free of charge"; and would any money be set aside for repairs.

REQUEST FOR RADIO TOWER WITH NO REMUNERATION TO THE TOWN— WATER TANK ON NORTH CREEK ROAD

9. **Public Input:** There were no residents in attendance this evening other than Town officials. This was also the case on November 8th. Considering that was the evening for the Public Hearing about the 2013 Town budget, Board members were surprised at the lack of interest by the public, especially when so much work went into saving them tax dollars.

PUBLIC INPUT

Mike Lambrix voiced concern over the poor lighting on Main Street at night in Palmyra. He will call the Town Clerk to compose a letter of complaint on behalf of the Town Board.

CONCERN FOR POOR LIGHTING ON MAIN ST.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Snow and Ice Contract with Wayne County for 2012-2013 Winter: Mike Boesel wanted more time to look over the contract and to contact the County if he has questions, so he recommended tabling the contract until the December meeting. Dave Nussbaumer made the motion to table the contract vote until the December Board meeting.

MTN: TABLE APPROVAL OF SNOW & ICE CONTRACT UNTIL DECEMBER MEETING

Second: Mike Lambrix Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried.

BUDGET

TO 2012

BUDGET

ADJUSTMENTS

2. **Budget Adjustments to the 2012 Budget:** Bookkeeper Petra Anderson requests the following budget adjustments be made to the current Town Budget:

General Highway Fund

Increase: Acct# 51324.01.000.15 -

Garage Cont Exp/Clothing & Uniform Amt: \$ 432.88

Decrease: Acct# 51324.01.000.00 -

Garage Contractual Exp Amt: \$ 432.88

DA Highway Fund

Increase: Acct# 51424.03.000.24 -

Snow Removal - Cont Exp/Salt Amt: \$ 99.90

Decrease: Acct# 51424.03.000.00 -

Snow Removal - Contractual Expense Amt: \$ 99.90

Increase: Acct# 19304.03.000.00 -

Judgments & Claims (Unemployment) Amt: \$2,376.12

Decrease: Acct# 51404.03.000.00 -

Brush & Weeds - Contractual Exp Amt: \$2,376.12

> Budget adjustments reflect overages in General and DA Highway fund's budget lines.

GENERAL FUND Building Budget

Increase Acct# 16204.01.000.00

Building - Contractual Exp Amt: \$8,257.24

Decrease: Acct# 16202.01.000.00

Building – Equipment Amt: \$7365.00

Acct# 16202.01.000.10

Building – Gas & Electric Amt: \$892.24

Budget adjustments reflect overages in Building budget lines.

GENERAL FUND Special Items Budget

Increase: Acct# 19504.01.000.00

Taxes & Assessments on Municipals Amt: \$ 2.02

Decrease: Acct# 19904.01.000.00

Contingency Account Amt: \$ 2.02

Historian Budget

Increase: Acct# 75104.01.000.00

Historian Contractual Expenditure Amt: \$ 48.48

Decrease: Acct# 19904.01.000.00

Contingency Account Amt: \$ 48.48

Supervisor Budget

Increase: Acct# 12202.01.000.00

Supervisor - Equipment Amt: \$534.83

Decrease: Acct# 12204.01.000.00

Supervisor – Contractual Exp Amt: \$ 534.83

<u>Debt Budget</u>

 Increase:
 Acct# 97107.01.000.00
 BUDGET ADJUST-MENTS TO 2012

 Decrease:
 Acct# 97106.01.000.00
 Amt:
 \$.05

Debt Principal/Serial Bond Amt: \$.05

GENERAL FUND <u>Assessor Budget</u>

Increase: Acct# 13552.01.000.00

Assessor – Equipment Amt: \$2,443.28

Decrease: Acct# 19904.01.000.00

Contingency Account Amt: \$2,443.28

> Budget adjustments reflect overages in Building budget lines.

PART TOWN FUND Code Enforcement Budget

Increase: Acct# 80101.02.000.00

Zoning Board – Personal Svcs Amt: \$ 70.00

Acct# 80154.02.000.00

CEO - Contractual Exp Amt: \$ 419.95

Acct# 80154.02.000.16

CEO - Cont Exp/Vehicle Amt: \$1,127.97

> Budget adjustments reflect overages in Building budget lines.

Decrease: Acct# 80104.02.000.00

Zoning Board - Cont Expense Amt: \$ 70.00

Acct# 80154.02.000.14

CEO - Cont Exp/Office Supplies Amt: \$ 563.99

Acct# 80154.02.000.12

CEO - Cont Exp/Tele & Cable Amt: \$ 563.98

Acct# 80154.02.000.14

CEO – Cont Exp/Education Amt: \$ 419.95

> Budget adjustments reflect overages in Building budget lines.

GENERAL FUND Town Clerk Budget

Increase: Acct# 14104.01.000.07

Town Clerk - Cont Exp/School Tax Collection Amt: \$ 300.11

Decrease: Acct# 14104.01.000.08

Town Clerk-Cont Exp/Town & Co Tax Coll Amt: \$ 300.11

Budget adjustments reflect overages in Building budget lines.

Councilman Todd Pipitone made the motion to approve all the budget adjustments listed above.

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried.

3. Approve Payment of Biel's Contract for 2012: Discussion of the Town's contract with Biel's for servicing and upgrading software capable of handling large files of documents and spreadsheets for Records Management and Archives. This includes scanning and digitizing capabilities. The cost for the 2012 contract is \$670, which was budgeted. Todd Pipitone made the motion to approve payment of the Biel's contract for 2012, not to exceed \$670.00.

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried.

4. **Approve Retroactive Pay for Seminar Attendance:** After long discussion to pay for attendance at the Biel's Users' Expo in Buffalo on September 25, 2012, an agreement was reached to accomplish this.

MTN: APPROVE PAYMENT OF BIEL'S CONTRACT FOR 2012

BUDGET ADJUST-

2012 BUDGET

MENTS TO

Councilman Todd Pipitone stated "upon understanding that the Town Clerk did not have the authority to override Town policy, I would like to place a motion on the floor to add 7.5 hours to the next pay period (timesheet) for Celeste Finewood. This will compensate her for her unapproved absence."

MTN: ADD 7.5 HOURS TO NEXT PAY PERIOD FOR CELESTE FINEWOOD

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Roll Call Vote was requested.

Supervisor Kenneth Miller Aye
Deputy Supervisor James Welch
Councilman David Nussbaumer Aye
Councilman Michael Lambrix Aye
Councilman Todd Pipitone Aye

ROLL CALL VOTE

CARRIED

Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried.

5. Approve Annual Validation of Peace Officer Registry:
The Town Animal Control Officer, Gary Rose, is also considered a Peace Officer, allowing him to carry a concealed weapon as part of his position. The form describes the training needed to become a Peace Officer. Mike Lambrix made the motion to approve Gary Rose as a Peace Officer for the Town of Palmyra, and is authorized to take whatever coursework necessary to maintain this status with the Town.

MTN: APPROVE ANNUAL VALIDATION OF PEACE OFFICER REGISTRY

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried.

A copy of the Registry Data form is included with these minutes as Attachment A.

ATTACHMENT A

6. **Approve Attendance at Scanning Seminar:** Todd Pipitone made the motion to approve Celeste Finewood's attendance at a "Digitization and Scanning Basics" seminar in Fairport on November 27th, not to exceed \$35 plus appropriate mileage.

MTN: APPROVE ATTENDANCE AT SCANNING SEMINAR

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried.

7. **Approve Attendance at Regional Seminar:** Todd Pipitone made the motion to approve Lynne Green's attendance at a Regional Seminar in Rochester on December 3rd, dealing with "Your Legal Responsibilities" and "Disaster Planning and Preparedness for Records Managers" not to exceed \$35 plus appropriate mileage.

MTN: APPROVE ATTENDANCE AT REGIONAL SEMINAR

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried.

8. Approve Code Enforcement Contract Renewal with Village: After discussing the need for more time to look over the contract, Mike Lambrix made the motion to table the issue until the December Town Board meeting.

MTN: TABLE CONTRACT FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT WITH VILLAGE Also, Todd Pipitone asked about the Code Enforcement's truck. Originally, a F250 truck was ordered for them, but it was too big and used a lot of gas. Ken wants to look into it further and have Petra run some numbers on the truck. Ken also asked if we have a fund balance to replace the one Code uses now. Sometimes, a 4-wheel drive truck would help in some more remote properties.

Second: Todd Pipitone Vote: 4 Ayes. 1 Nay. Carried.

9. <u>Use of Current Water Tank on North Creek Road for Emergency Services Radio Communications Tower:</u>
Discussion turned to having the local Emergency Services use a radio tower to place on the ladder of the Town's water tank. Also, would we authorize this use at no charge to these users?

MTN:
AUTHORIZE
INSTALLATION,
WITH
PROVISIONS,
OF EMERGENCY
SERVICES
RADIO
COMMUNICATIONS TOWER
ON CURRENT
TOWN WATER
TANK

Question was asked about what a good price would be. Is the ladder to be used "structurally sound" enough to handle the extra weight? What is the employer standard liability? Could we charge \$1 per month to hold the Town harmless? The tower manufacturer says there's no problem to install it. Ken suggested the Board take a "straw vote."

Dave Nussbaumer then made a motion to authorize the installation, with several provisions that must be met, such as having a binding contract, holding the Town of Palmyra harmless, \$1 per year contract, renewable every five years, pending structural integrity and inspection.

Second: Todd Pipitone Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried.

MTN: APPROVE ABSTRACT FOR 10/25/2012 THRU 11/20/2012 --CLAIMS & EXPENDITURES

10. Approve: Claims & Expenditures for November 2012: Dave Nussbaumer made the motion to approve the claims and expenditures included in the Abstract of Vouchers 390 through 487 for 10/25/2012 through 11/20/2012, totaling \$184,119.13.

Second: Mike Lambrix Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried.

Just before adjournment, Ken Miller showed the Board a copy of the Wayne County Budget for 2013. Its tax cap is around 2% because it decreased some jobs, mostly in mental health areas, and it used \$4.7 from its contingency funds. Although the county is currently "financially healthy," statistics show that mandated payments required to New York State alone exceed the required 2% tax cap. Expenses show 61% of their budget go directly or indirectly to county schools, 23% go to the County, and 15% go to the towns and villages.

INFO ABOUT WAYNE COUNTY 2013 BUDGET

11. **Motion to Adjourn:** At 8:36 p.m., Mike Lambrix made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

MTN: ADJOURN MEETING

Second: Dave Nussbaumer Vote: 5 Ayes. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyndall Ann P. Green Palmyra Town Clerk

ATTACHMENT A: Annual Validation of Registry Data for the Central
State Registry of Police Officers and Peace Officers
for Palmyra's Animal Control Officer.

NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING:

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2012, 7:00 P.M. PALMYRA TOWN HALL