
PALMYRA SELECT BOARD MINUTES

2-25-2026

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

Citizens: Planning Board Members Dave Leavitt, William Maclaren, and William Freudenberger, Road Commissioner Corey Collins, Rec Committee members Amy Fair, Carrie Preble and Elizabeth Richard, Lorrie Farewell, Jo-Ann & Glenn Brown, Rick & Laurie Preble, Claude Thornton, Lorna & Ron Rowe, Garth Norris, Travis Turner, Kyle Halford, Kasey Fair, Sam & Lisa Pease, Mary & Neal Page, Pat White.

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

Announcements: Meet the Candidates Tuesday – 6:30 in the Gym.

Reports:

Rec Committee - Amy Fair Spoke to the Board about plans for programs and the need for Gym space.

Programs include soccer, basketball and possibly cheering for children from Palmyra as well as surrounding towns, kindergarten thru fifth grade. 63 children have been signed up for the soccer drills.

Programs will affect Gym rentals. Need to be aware and plan ahead. The Board will check with Hartland and St Albans concerning budgeting for use of their gyms. Amy left a copy of proposed schedule for the year.

Public Works – Corey thanked Dave Leavitt for metal to repair the grader. Figures for needed repairs to 1 Ton and Western Star were presented. Trying to find projects to keep busy this spring with available funds. Surplus is running low so need to try to save big projects till taxes are committed in early summer.

Planning Board – Dave Leavitt reported – Plymouth Engineering has begun work on Dysart project proposed to begin spring of 2027. The Board is also working on culvert regulations.

Administrative Assistant/Treasurer – Town Reports are going to the printers in the morning.

Veterans Committee – Charlie reminded everyone of the Raffle being held for \$500 of Heating Oil.

Dates for Yard Sale have been set, May 29 thru the 31st. They are planning to set up a Drop Box for used Flags to be disposed of properly. A Ham Dinner is scheduled for April 18th and will be by donation. They continue to work on obtaining Banners for veterans.

Unfinished Business:

- Motion by Charlie to accept minutes of previous meeting as written, Herb second. AIF
- Scott provided information on Laptop computer for the office. Brian questioned if specs were the same and would provide what was needed. Need to be sure program is compatible with TRIO. Charlie made a motion to purchase Brian's recommendation Mike second. 3 in Favor, Scott & Herb opposed.
- Mike made a motion to accept Ordinance Revisions to present at Town Meeting as presented by the Planning Board, Charlie second. AIF Palmyra Zoning Ordinance Revisions and Palmyra Subdivision Ordinance Revisions signed and certified by the Board.
- Scott made a motion to accept Local Food Sovereignty Ordinance to present at Town Meeting, Charlie second. AIF Ordinance signed and certified by the Board.
- Charlie made a motion to accept 2026 Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, Herb second. AIF 3 copies signed by the Board

New Business:

- Mike made a motion to hire Dominic Chamberlain at \$25 per hour for Public Works, part-time on call basis, Charlie second. AIF
- Public Hearing was scheduled for March 11th at 6:00 pm for input on Local Food Sovereignty Ordinance.
- Motion by Mike to send letter concerning Fire Protection to the Town of Newport, Herb second. Brian prepared a letter to formally address the discontinuance of contracting with Newport for fire protection. Vote – AIF Brian will sign the letter as Board Chair
- Charlie has information from someone planning to record an historic video in Maine and asked about doing some filming in Palmyra.

7:06 Motion by Charlie to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA, Section 405, subsection 6(A) for an employee review with Glenn Brown, Scott second. Board left with Glenn.

7:28 Scott made a motion to return from executive session, Herb second.

- Charlie made a motion to increase Glenn's pay rate to \$20 per hour, Mike second. AIF

Payroll & AP Warrants signed

Meeting Adjourned 7:30

Respectfully Submitted,

Priscilla Jones