

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS  
PALMYRA, MISSOURI

May 7, 2026

The Palmyra Board of Public Works met on the above date in the Palmyra Council Chambers at 5:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Lovegreen to approve the agenda with the addition of election of officers. On a call of ayes and nays the motion carried.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Lovegreen to approve the following slate of officers: President Gary Stuhlman, Vice President Gerry Maas, Secretary Tim Browning. On a call of ayes and nays the motion carried.

President Gary Stuhlman presided over the meeting and the following board members answered roll call: Gary Stuhlman, Tim Browning, and Robert Lovegreen. Board Member Gerry Maas was absent. Also present was Mayor Rusty Adrian, Council Liaison Steve Bland, Council Member Eddie Kamm, and Water/Wastewater Manager Dustin Smith.

Council Member Eddie Kamm advised the board members that he had been approached by residents in his ward about sewer charges on water being used for outside use. Kamm provided documentation from various municipalities in the area on how they handle this issue. A discussion was held with the board members deciding to stand with the current policy and procedure that to avoid the sewer charge for outside water is to install a second meter and plumb it correctly.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Lovegreen to approve the minutes from the April 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. On a call of ayes and nays the motion carried.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Lovegreen to approve the bills for the electric, water and sewer departments. On a call of ayes and nays the motion carried.

The payroll reports were discussed.

Electric Manager Pete Dames provided a report and a set of goals for the electrical department.

Water/Wastewater Manager Dustin Smith asked for approval of the following expenses:

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Stuhlman to approve a bid by Richards Electric in the amount of \$12,392.00 for the installation of a VFD for Well #7. On a call of ayes and nays the motion carried.

A motion was made by Stuhlman and seconded by Browning to approve a bid by Midwest Meter Inc. in the amount of \$5,438.00 to replace the effluent meter at the water treatment plant which is 15 years old. On a call of ayes and nays the motion carried.

Smith reported his department has been working on the water loss report. It has been determined that a lot of the water loss is coming from the dehumidifier at the water treatment plant. For the month of April, the water used by the dehumidifier was metered and used 1.15 million gallons of water.

Smith advised he had received two bids for a building to be placed over the UV system at the wastewater plant. The dimensions of the building are 18 feet wide by 50 feet long. The bids also include some concrete work. Miller Construction quoted the project at \$73,642.00 with the building having no insulation. Timbrook Construction quoted the project at \$126,118.00 with the building having insulation. Smith feels both bids are high. Employee Ron Conger is working on a materials list which he will then work up a price just for materials.

Roberts Garage has located a wiring problem in the vac truck. The problem will be resolved soon, and the crew will be able to pick up the truck. Smith still has concerns with the truck and advised purchasing a replacement vac truck that is approximately 10 years old would cost between \$200,000 and \$250,000.

This may become a priority. The board members asked that the crew use the truck and report their feedback after the repair.

The board will tour the wastewater plant on May 21<sup>st</sup> beginning at 4:00 p.m.

The board welcomed newly appointed Board Member Robert Lovegreen.

With no further business before the board a motion to adjourn was made at 6:15 p.m.

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Gary Stuhlman, President

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Deena L. Parsons, Assistant Secretary