

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
PALMYRA, MISSOURI

May 21, 2026

The Palmyra Board of Public Works toured the wastewater treatment plant on May 21, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. with the following individuals in attendance: Gary Stuhlman, Gerry Maas, Tim Browning, Robert Lovegreen, and Dustin Smith.

The Palmyra Board of Public Works met on the above date in the Palmyra Council Chambers at 5:00 p.m. with President Gary Stuhlman presiding. The following board members answered roll call: Gary Stuhlman, Gerry Maas, Tim Browning, and Robert Lovegreen. Also present was Council Liaison Steve Bland, Electric Manager Pete Dames (via TEAMS), Water/Wastewater Manager Dustin Smith, and Eddie Kamm (5:10 p.m.).

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Maas to approve the agenda as presented. On a call of ayes and nays the motion carried.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Lovegreen to approve the minutes from the May 7th meeting with the correction of Gerry Maas being absent from the 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 financial report along with plant and payroll reports were discussed.

Electrical Manager Pete Dames reported the following:

- a. Levi Camp began employment as a journeyman lineman on May 18th.
- b. Mackenzy Hess is starting to inspect poles in the southwest circuit.
- c. The electrical department has replaced a broken pole and lights at the Flower City Park softball field.

A motion was made by Browning and seconded by Maas to authorize Electrical Manager Dames to negotiate and purchase a digger truck with the cost not to exceed \$125,000.00. On a call of ayes and nays the motion carried.

Dames received authorization from the board members to accept sealed bids from the employees for the following surplus property: Blackstone grill and fish fryer. Dames also received authorization to accept \$160.00 for four (4) tires that won't be used by the board.

Water/Wastewater Manager Dustin Smith reported the following:

- a. After taking into consideration hydrant flushing, fire calls, and other non-metered work usage in April, the water loss was approximately 9%.
- b. The wastewater plant is down an employee because of an on-the-job injury. Status will be reviewed at a June 29th doctor's appointment.
- c. The wastewater plant operator position has been accepted by Dillion Cramer. Mr. Cramer has a C license and will be able to take the test for a B license in 18 months. His starting pay will be \$24.00 per hour, and his start date is to be determined once his current supervisor returns from vacation and proper notice is given.
- d. Water Plant Supervisor Adam Sparks is waiting for a return call from DNR to find out if the plant can recycle the water from the dehumidifier.

With no further business before the board a motion to adjourn was made at 5:58 p.m.

Gary Stuhlman, President

Deena L. Parsons, Assistant Secretary