BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
PALMYRA, MISSOURI

August 6, 2026

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 were Council Liaison Steve Bland, Water/Wastewater Manager Dustin Smith, and Electrical Manager Mark Salter.

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

A motion was made by Lovegreen and seconded by Browning to approve the minutes from the July 23rd meeting. On a call of ayes and nays the motion carried.

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

The payroll report was discussed.

Electrical Manger Mark Salter reported the following:

a. New utility poles have been placed at the arena and parking area prior to the fair while more poles will be updated before the fair of 2027.

b. The electrical line for the shed at the Palmyra High School tennis courts is complete.

c. The crew is continually working on 3-phase pole changeouts, maintenance/hardware on poles, and tree trimming. Outages have been down.

d. There are 7 bad transformers sitting in the pole yard. Solomon will be picking up these transformers at no charge and will troubleshoot them to see if they can be rebuilt or need to be recycled.

e. There is a need to enlarge the current concrete pad that houses the transformers. The street department would be willing to pour the concrete this fall. Salter will get with Street Commissioner Dornberger for an approximate cost.

f. There may be a need to reorder 40-foot poles as there are only 15 in inventory.

g. A new subdivision development known as Howell Hideaway is platted for 11 homes which will take 3-37.5 transformers to provide electricity.

h. The old tamp will be picked up by Tallman Equipment and Salter will receive a quote for the piece of equipment to be rebuilt.

i. Salter advised he has been asked by the elected officials to look into the cost to refurbish the historical lighting while the sidewalk replacement project is under way.

Water/Wastewater Manager Dustin Smith reported the following:

a. The annual pre-treatment inspection for Leeser Truck Wash has been held. The truck wash is in violation and will be receiving a violation letter and given 30-days to comply. Leeser Truck Wash is looking to add a defoamer to the process.

b. Smith will not be attending the 9-day wastewater class as he does not have enough onsite experience to test for the necessary license to run the plant.

c. The board approved Smith's request to offer the wastewater operator's position to Zach Howerton for $23.00 per hour.

d. Smith and Water Plant Supervisor Adam Sparks met with Engineer Goeffrey Thompson to discuss the water plant improvements being engineered. The improvements consist of a new lime feed, SCADA controls, filter updates, piping, updates to the chlorine process, backup generation, a new influent meter, completely redoing Well #4 and adding improvements to Well #7 including backup generation. The raw water line redundancy is also included in the project.

e. Smith advised there is interest in lots at the Warren Head Business Park which may cause the remaining infrastructure to be necessary. The estimate for the extension of the water lines, the sewer lines, the lift station, and the stormwater inlets is approximately $1.5 million.

A motion was made by Stuhlman and seconded by Lovegreen to enter closed session pursuant to Section 610.021(3), RSMo. and admit the four board members, Mark Salter, Dustin Smith, Steve Bland, and Deena Parsons. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Stuhlman, Lovegreen, Maas, and Browning. Nays: None. The motion carried. The board entered closed session at 6:20 p.m.

After a motion in closed session to enter open session and with no further business before the board, a motion to adjourn was made at 6:40 p.m.

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Gary Stuhlman, President

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Deena L. Parsons, Assistant Secretary