

Town of Palmyra Minutes, 1918

Regular meeting of the Town Board was held at the Town Clerk's Office on Friday, March 29, 1918. Present: S. M. Young, Supervisor; H. L. Averill, Clerk; K. F. Young, T. L. Cook, W. E. Spire, and C. W. Williamson, Justices. Meeting was called to order, and minutes were read for information.

Town Superintendent, C. H. Hedden, was present and offered his Determination and Agreement" for road work for 1918; and the following agreement was filled out and three copies filed with County Superintendent, W. G. Sisson of Lyons:

General Repair and Primary Work for 80 miles @ \$30 per mile	\$2400
For the Repair and Construction of Sluices and Culverts having a span of less than five feet	1000
For Permanent Improvement of the road commencing at the upper Walker Farm and leading to Parker Farm, a distance of 1½ miles Grading and Gravelling	1000
It is also agreed that there be reserved in the hands of the Supervisor	3679.76

The Clerk was instructed to fill out three copies of this agreement and forward to the County Superintendent at Lyons.

The receipts of the Highway Fund were found to be as follows:

Receipts	
Balance from previous year	743.57
Town Highway Tax Levied	6000.00
State Aid to be Received	2342.38
Total	\$9085.95
Expenditures as Agreed upon	
Average per mil @ \$30 got 80 miles	2400.
Construction of culverts and sluices	1000.
Special Appropriations	1000.
Assessor Fund	3679.76
Payment of Order No. 1 to 5	1006.19
Total	\$9085.95

The necessity of appointing a Pound Master and establishing a Dog Pound was discussed at length, and the Supervisor was authorized to investigate the matter and report at a future meeting.

No further business appearing, the meeting adjourned.

H. L. Averill, Clerk

Regular meeting of the Town Board was held at the Town clerkk's Office on Friday, May 10, 1918. Present: S. M. Young, K. F. Young, C. W. Williams (sic), T. L. Cook, and H. L. Averill. Meeting was called to order by Mr. Young, and minutes of last meeting were read for information.

The bill of Dr. W. J. Hennessy for Health Officer from January 1, 1918, to April 1, 1918, and supplies amounting to \$79.00. The Supervisor was instructed to draw a check for the above amount.

A bill was presented by S. E. Braman amounting to \$139.87 for bonds of Town Officers; and on motion the bill was audited and ordered paid. The supervisor was instructed to draw a check in payment of that amount.

On motion of Judge Williamson, Dr. R. A. Reeves was appointed Health Officer for the Town of Palmyra to fill the unexpired term of the late W. J. Hennessy, and the Clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Reeves of the appointment.

On motion of K. F. Young, a resolution was passed fixing the salary of the Assessors at \$4.00 a day.

No further business appearing, the meeting adjourned.

H. L. Averill, Clerk

Regular meeting of the Palmyra Town Board was held at the Clerk's Office on Friday afternoon, June 14th, 1918. Present: S. M. Young, Supervisor; C. W. Williamson, Kingsley F. Young, W. E. Spire, Thomas L. Cook, Justices; and H. L. Averill, Clerk. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Young, and minutes of last meeting were read for information.

The matter of establishing a suitable pound for the keeping of untagged dogs and the appointment of a Pound Keeper in accordance with the Dog Law was discussed at length. On motion of Justice Williamson, a resolution was adopted authorizing the Supervisor to make arrangements for a Pound Keeper and suitable pound and for the appointment of an extra Constable for the purpose of looking after the stray dogs with full power to make necessary arrangements and for the establishment of the proper fees for payment of the work.

The question of providing means to handle the increased number of voters that will be registered this fall, owing to the right of franchise having been given to the women was discussed. It was the sentiment of the Board as well as of the Town Attorney that the voting should be done by machine, thereby saving the expense of re-districting the Town into two or more voting districts. It was decided to purchase two additional voting machines for use in Districts No. 1 and 2. On motion duly carried, the Supervisor and Justice Williamson were appointed a committee to confer with Attorney George S. Tinklepaugh and to draw up suitable contracts for the purchase of the machines at a sum not to exceed \$600 for each machine.

The matter of a suitable polling place in District No. 3 was taken up, and supervisor Young and Justice Young were named as a committee to take this matter up and report at a future meeting.

No further business appearing, the meeting adjourned.

H. L. Averill, Clerk

Regular meeting Town Board was held at the Town Clerk's Office on August, 1918. Present: S. M. Young, Supervisor; H. L. Averill, Clerk; C. W. Williamson, Kingsley Young, W. E. Spire, and T. L. Cook, Justices. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Young, and minutes of last meeting were read for information.

On motion of Justice Charles Williamson, the following polling places were designated for the three Election Districts of Palmyra:

District No. 1 – Justice Room, Village Hall Building

District No. 2 – Garlock Garage, East side of Fayette Street
District No. 3 – Ziegler Shop, East Palmyra

The subject of the polling place in District No. 3 was discussed, and the Clerk was instructed to see about procuring a new stove for it and to make any other purchases that were needed to put the building in fit condition for registration and election purposes.

The matter of purchasing the building and land comprising the polling place in District No. 3 was discussed, and Supervisor Young reported that the Town would not be able to purchase real estate without submitted the proposition to the taxpayers of the Town at the annual town meeting.

No further business appearing, the meeting adjourned.

H. L. Averill, Clerk

Regular meeting of the Town Board was held at the Town Clerk's Office on Friday afternoon, October 4, 1918. Present: S. M. Young, Supervisor; H. L. Averill, Clerk; T. L. Cook, C. W. Williamson, W. E. Spire, and Kingsley F. Young, Justices. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Young, and minutes of last meeting were read for information.

Mr. H. Lannon of Newark came before the Board with a claim for damages for injury to his horse and wagon by reason of the steam roller scaring his horse as he was driving on the Port Gibson Road between Port Gibson and Peek's Bridge. Town Superintendent C. H. Hedden was present at the meeting, and he gave the facts in the case as presented to him by his men, who were working with the roller at the time. Mr. Lannon stated that he thought the sum of \$50 would be a reasonable amount, but the matter was finally adjusted by the Town paying Mr. Lannon the sum of \$35. The Supervisor was instructed to draw a check for that amount.

In accordance with the new School Law, the Town Board was authorized to appoint a Truant Office for one year to look after the truants in all the school districts outside of District No. 1; and upon motion of Justice C. W.. Williamson, Kingsley F. Young was appointed to that office at the salary of \$75 per year.

Supervisor Young reported that the two new voting machines had been received and had been examined and were in proper condition for coming election.

No further business appearing, the meeting adjourned.

H. L. Averill

Regular meeting of the Town board was held at the Town clerk's Office on Thursday, November 7, 1918. Present: S. M. Young, Supervisor; H. L. Averill, Clerk; K. F. Young, T. L. Cook, and W. E. Spire, Justices. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Young, and minutes of the last meeting were read for information.

Mr. C. H. Hedden, Superintendent of Highways, presented his annual estimate of money to be raised for highway purposes, and the report was approved by the Board as follows:

For the repair and improvement of town highways including sluices, culverts, and bridges having a span of less than five feet	\$6000
For the general repair of all bridges having a span of five feet or more and not included above	1000

For the purchase and repair of machinery, tools, and implements	500
For removal of obstructions caused by snow	1000
For cutting weeds, brush, and miscellaneous purposes	1000

The Clerk was instructed to fill out three copies of the above estimate and forward to the County Superintendent, W. G. Sisson, at Lyons.

The auditing of bills for the year was taken up; but as few of the bills had been received, a motion to adjourn until Monday, November 1, 1918, was carried. The Supervisor announced that the meeting would stand adjourned until Monday, November 11 at 9 o'clock a.m.

H. L. Averill, Clerk

Meeting of the Palmyra Town Board adjourned from Thursday, November 7, 1918. Present: S. M. Young, Supervisor; H. L. Averill, Town Clerk, K. F. Young, W. E. Spire, and Thomas L. Cook, Justices. Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Young, and the Board proceeded at once to audit bills of the past year, and the following claims were presented and audited. The Supervisor was instructed to draw checks in payment of same.

No.	Name	Service Rendered	Claimed	Allowed
1	G. A. Tuttle	Election Office	41.37	41.37
2	Charles Woodworth	"	29.00	29.00
3	Kingsley Young	"	24.60	24.60
4	Charles R. Harrison	"	29.00	29.00
5	Otto Kirchoff	"	30.76	30.76
6	H. D. Braman	"	28.87	28.87
7	Harlow Veedre	"	22.00	22.00
8	Otto Ford	"	9.00	9.00
9	C. Henry Harrison	"	12.00	12.00
10	Charles Haskell	"	6.00	6.00
11	Nicholas Lieren	"	6.00	6.00
12	Margard Fisher	"	17.00	17.00
13	Harry G. Chapman	"	17.00	17.00
14	Joseph Blaby	"	19.00	19.00
15	W. M. Parsons	"	9.00	9.00
16	Anna F. Jackson	"	17.00	17.00
17	O. Clate Silver	"	11.00	11.00
18	Georgia FitzGerard	"	6.00	6.00
19	Thomas Flynn	"	6.00	6.00
20	W. D. Truax	"	6.00	6.00
21	B. L. Stover	"	6.00	6.00
22	James Burns, Jr.	"	13.00	13.00
23	Milton Russell	"	6.00	6.00
24	George Tripp	Pound Keeper & Moving Voting Machines	37.30	37.30
25	Automatic Registering Machine Company	Two Voting Machines	1200.00	1200.00
26	R. A. Reeves	Health Officer	102.94	102.94
27	R. A. Reeves	Disbursements	4.70	4.70
28	S. E. Braman	Compensation Insurance	190.92	192.90
29	S. E. Braman	Insurance	13.75	13.75

30	D. McPherson	Vital Statistics	4.75	4.75
31	W. H. Fitzgerald	Constable	32.95	32.95
32	George G. Throop	"	52.80	52.80
33	Anna F. Jackson	Insurance	13.75	13.75
34	Alvin E. LaRue	Labor & Material	18.93	18.93
35	George S. Tinklepaugh	Legal Services	50.00	50.00
36	Henry Lannon	Damages on Highway	35.00	35.00
37	W. H. Dennis	Police Services & Meals	283.45	283.45
38	Smith & Ziegler	Supplies	8.72	8.72
39	C. W. Williamson Estate	Justice Services	206.65	206.65
40	"	Board Meetings	24.00	24.00
41	Village of Palmyra	Rent – Justice Room	100.00	100.00
42	Christopher Bely	Assessor	296.00	296.00
43	Thomas L. Cook	"	296.00	296.00
44	Frank T. Boutall	"	296.00	296.00
45	A. D. Hopkins	Overseer of the Poor	300.00	300.00
46	E. J. Hedden	Highway Department Services	100.00	100.00
47	A. R. Knapp & Son	Insurance	76.17	76.17
48	C. H. Hedden	Highway Superintendent	1230.00	1230.00
49	"	Disbursements	17.26	17.26
50	Palmyra Printing Co.	Advertising	135.90	135.90
51	Palmyra Courier	Printing and Advertising	153.45	153.45
52	H. O. Young & Sons	Supplies	32.00	32.00
53	W. E. Spire	Board Meetings	30.00	30.00
54	Thomas L. Cook	"	30.00	30.00
55	Sanford M. Young	"	30.00	30.00
56	Kingsley F. Young	"	30.00	30.00
57	H.L. Averill	Town Clerk & Highway Services	450.00	450.00
58	Sanford M. Young	Supervisor	331.14	331.14
59	H.L. Averill	Voting Machine Custodian	125.00	125.00
60	Thomas L. Cook	Justice of the Peace	13.15	13.15
61	H.L. Averill	Disbursements	15.72	15.72
62	Adam Ziegler	Rent – Polling Place	24.00	24.00
63	O. J. Garlock & Company	"	24.00	24.00
64	John DeCanne	Care of Old Cemetery, E. Palmyra	5.00	5.00
65	Frank McGuire	Voting Machine Freight & Cartage	14.01	14.01

At the completion of the work of auditing the above bills, the meeting adjourned.

H. L. Averill, Clerk

Annual Town of Palmyra Settlement Day was held at the Town Clerk's Office on Saturday, December 28, 1918. Present: S. M. Young, Supervisor; T. L. Cook and W. E. Spire, Justices; and H. L. Averill, Clerk. Meeting was called to order by supervisor Young, and minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Overseer of the Poor, A. C. Hopkins, submitted his annual report for 1918, which showed receipts amounting to \$838.37 and disbursements amounting to \$804.39 leaving a balance of \$33.98 on December 31, 1918.

The report was compared with the official's reports and books and found to be correct; and on motion, the report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Town Clerk H.L. Averill submitted his annual report and statement for monies received as fees in his office during 1918, and the same was audited, approved, and ordered placed on file. The report showed the following fees:

18 Marriage Licenses	18.00
52 Chattel Mortgages	6.24
245 Dog Licenses	61.25
278 Hunting Licenses	27.80

The amount of \$113.29 was paid over to the Supervisor by said Clerk.

Supervisor S. M. Young submitted his annual report and statement for 1918, and same were examined, approved, and ordered placed on file. The books showed the following balances on December 31, 1918:

General Fund	\$3568.56
Special Highway Fund	2502.19
General	“ 5225.48

The following bills were audited, and Supervisor Young was instructed to draw checks in payment of same:

G. A. Tuttle	Canvassing Soldier Vote	5.57
Charles J. Jackman	“	5.31
Harry D. Braman		5.00
Anna F. Jackson		5.00
Thomas L. Cook	Justice Fees, Nov. & Dec.	41.85

On motion of Mr. Cook, the following resolution was passed; and the Clerk was instructed to spread the same on the records of the Town of Palmyra:

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in his infinite wisdom to call from this Board on October 23, 1918, our esteemed friend and associate, Judge Charles W. Williamson, who has served with us well and faithfully since April, 1918; and who always had the welfare of the Town at heart, be it

Resolved: that in the death of Judge Williamson this Board not only loses a valued member and true friend; but the Township loses a man in whom the utmost confidence could be place in. And no matter with what task he was entrusted with, he could always be relied upon to do his full duty; be it further

Resolved: that a copy of these minutes be spread upon the minutes, and that they become a public record of the Town of Palmyra.

No further business appearing, the meeting adjourned. H. L. Averill