

**PALOS TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
10802 S. ROBERTS ROAD
PALOS HILLS, ILLINOIS 60465**

April 22, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.

Call to Order

The Palos Township Meeting of the Township Board was called to order by **Supervisor Schumann** in the Township Hall, 10802 S. Roberts Road, Palos Hills, Illinois at 6:32 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Schumann led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken by the Clerk of the Township, **Jane Nolan**. Present were Trustees Abuzir, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann, and Highway Commissioner Adams.

Officials present: Clerk Jane Nolan
Assessor Robert Maloney

Officials absent: Trustee Jeanes

Others present: Attorney Erik Peck and April Schrader, Administrative Assistant, Road and Bridge District (Palos)

Recognitions/Proclamations/Presentations/Communications

There were no Recognitions/Proclamations/Presentations/Communications at this meeting.

Reports of and Communications from Township Officials

A. Supervisor/Treasurer

Supervisor Schumann reported that she met with the Supervisor's Division recently and she acquired many ideas concerning the Decennial Committee.

Many townships are already prepared to submit their Decennial Committee reports. Palos Township and the Palos Township Highway Department still need to get the Decennial Committees underway. She was able to see the many outstanding things that Leyden Township is involved with and partnerships they are working with. She was able to see a completed Decennial Report which will be a help to us. We will have some meeting dates concerning the Decennial Committees soon. Our committees are appointed and there is no penalty if we do not have a meeting by June. She learned many new things at this meeting.

B. Trustees

Trustee Riley

Trustee Riley stated that he had no report for the Board

Trustee Abuzir

Trustee Abuzir reported the Cholesterol and Health Service fees for the month of March, including one fee for a non-resident, are as follows:

Cholesterol	\$ 260.00
Health Services Fees	\$ 290.00
Non-resident Fee	\$ 20.00
Total	\$ 570.00

Trustee Woods

The 2024-25 budget will be ready for posting either Monday, April 29 or May 6, 2024, and will be posted for at least 30 days before the meeting to approve it. **Trustee Woods** stated that the Township is in very good financial shape, even with the \$100,000 capital improvement expense. The budget is way over expected revenues. He will do a brief presentation of the budget before the passage.

The township will have a very good surplus. **Trustee Woods** is trying to build up the “rainy day” fund. He is working to get grant money to possibly discuss the idea of a new facility for the township.

Trustee Jeanes

Trustee Jeanes was absent so there was no report for the Board.

C. Highway Commissioner

Highway Commissioner Adams reported that the month of March was extremely busy putting all the signs out and back in order after the winter. The Road District has many signs to put up every spring. There were also annual asphalt cracks and other asphalt repairs to perform. There was a great deal of garbage including vacuum cleaners, washing machines, etc., that was found during the cleanup. There are “no dumping” signs posted, but the residents pay no attention.

D. Clerk

1. TOCC Annual Spring Conference Thursday, June 13, 2024, Double Tree by Hilton Hotel, Oak Brook, 5 P.M. – 8:30 P.M. \$35 Registration by May 29, 2024.

Clerk Nolan reported that she sent Board members and officials notice of the agenda and breakout sessions for the meeting. Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulis will be the Keynote Speaker at the dinner. He has added many new features to the Secretary of State’s office which will be helpful to residents. One new idea is the use of kiosks where residents

can obtain documents quickly. Please sign-up by May 29, 2024. The cost is \$35.00 for a member and \$65.00 for a guest.

2. Palos Township Health and Resource Fair Saturday, June 1, 2024 9 A.M.- 12 P.M.

Clerk Nolan told the Board the fair is on June 1, 2024. Everyone is invited!

3. Hill's Farmers Market begins Friday, June 7 through Friday, September 27, 2024 8 A.M. - 1 P.M.

This is an FYI for the Board. **Clerk Nolan** stressed that this Farmers Market is every Friday on the above dates.

4. Annual Palos-Hickory Police Report

Clerk Nolan and her husband attended the yearly Palos/Hickory Police update in March.

Some of the key things brought forth by Police Chief Cucio, Palos Hills and Police Chief Joseph Boyle, Hickory Hill were:

- a. Pre-trial works better than they thought it would.
- b. Many violators stopped are let go unless they are considered a danger to society.
- c. Violators can be released right on the street.
- d. Red light cameras were discussed and they are good in their opinion. They now use Flock cameras which produce better quality pictures.
- e. There is a partnership between Hickory Hills and the Palos Hills Police Departments that allows more criminals to be caught.
- f. They discussed the recent Chase Bank break in. The perpetrators were roommates in prison!
- g. They pointed out that both municipalities should invest in infrastructure.
- h. Palos Hills police officers have new cars that contain cameras and new vests that have video cameras on them.

- i. Most of the hard work is now done by cameras. The police work together using these cameras.
- j. They asked to please watch the legislation from Springfield closely as the continuing changes often affect community Police Departments.

E. Attorney

Attorney Peck discussed the scrivener errors in the levy draft ordinances on tonight's agenda. The Road and Bridge numbers did not match on one of the pages. These ordinances are just correcting those errors. It does not change the totals of the levies.

Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of Palos Township Board Meeting Minutes of March 25, 2024
- B. Audit and Approval of Town Fund Bills and Warrants Dated May 1, 2024
- C. Audit and Approval of Road and Bridge Bills and Warrants Dated May 1, 2024
- D. Approval of General Assistance Fund Bills Dated May 1, 2024

Supervisor Schumann moved to approve the Palos Township Board Meeting Minutes of March 25, 2024, the audit and approval of Town Fund Bills and Warrants Dated May 1, 2024, the audit and approval of Road and Bridge Bills and Warrants Dated May 1, 2024, and the approval of the General Assistance Fund Bills Dated May 1, 2024.

Trustee Riley seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Woods and Riley, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

Action on Items Removed from Consent Calendar

There were no items removed from the Consent Calendar.

Legislation and Action Items

- A. Consideration of RESOLUTION No. 2024-R-03 A RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF COOK COUNTY CLERK KAREN YARBOUGH.

Trustee Woods moved to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 2024-R-03 A RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF COOK COUNTY CLERK KAREN YARBOUGH. **Supervisor Schumann** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Woods and Riley, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

- B. Consideration of ORDINANCE No. 2024-O-01 AN ORDINANCE CORRECTING A SCRIVENER'S ERROR IN THE TAX LEVY ORDINANCE (ORD No. 2023-O-04)

Trustee Abuzir moved to adopt ORDINANCE No. 2024-O-01 AN ORDINANCE CORRECTING A SCRIVENER'S ERROR IN THE TAX LEVY ORDINANCE (ORD No. 2023-O-04). **Supervisor Schumann** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Woods and Riley, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

- C. Consideration of ORDINANCE No. 2024-02-O AN ORDINANCE CORRECTING A SCRIVENER'S ERROR IN THE TAX LEVY ORDINANCE (ORD No. 2023-04-O).

Supervisor Schumann moved to adopt ORDINANCE No. 2024-02-O AN ORDINANCE CORRECTING A SCRIVENER'S ERROR IN THE TAX LEVY ORDINANCE (ORD No. 2023-04-O). **Trustee Abuzir** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Woods and Riley, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

Other Business for Discussion Only

There was no other business for discussion only at this meeting.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

There were no citizens wishing to address the Board.

Executive Session (if determined necessary)

No motion was made to enter Executive Session.

Action on Items from Executive Session (If any)

There was no action on items from Executive Session.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board, **Supervisor Schumann** asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Trustee Woods** moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 P.M. **Supervisor Schumann** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

Jane A. Nolan

Clerk

Palos Township