

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

June 24, 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 6:30 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, Jeans, Supervisor Schumann, and Highway Commissioner Adams.

Officials present: Clerk Jane Nolan
Assessor Robert Maloney

Officials absent: Trustee Woods
Trustee Riley

Others present: Attorney Caitlin Frenzer and Administrative Assistant, Road and Bridge District (Palos) Karyn Kutka

Recognitions/ Proclamation/Presentations/Communications

There were no Recognitions/Proclamations/Presentations/Communications from Township Officials

Reports of and Communications from Township Officials

A. Supervisor/Treasurer

Supervisor Schumann stated this is a quiet time at the township, as it is summer. She welcomed Karyn, the new Road District employee.

B. Trustees

Trustee Abuzir

Trustee Abuzir stated that there are no reports concerning the cholesterol or Health Service Fees. She will have this report at the July meeting. It will be a two-month report.

Trustee Abuzir will have more reports concerning various machines at the next meeting. The Health Service machines will be updated. It has been a while for this.

Trustee Jeanes

Trustee Jeanes stated that she had the landscaper come to the township. He will replace the dead bushes and trim only those outside the township. It should look very good when he is finished.

Trustee Jeanes wants to look at the budget concerning the new interior work to be done at the township. She will move on with the intention of reviewing more ideas for the project. There will be a bid for the project requested soon.

Trustee Riley

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

C. Highway Commissioner Adams

Highway Commissioner Adams stated that the Road District is having a busy year with storms, fallen trees and branches. Also, they are maintaining

the shoulders and edges of the roads. They also do the weed removal. They are investigating as to which roads will be in the Highway Commissioner's report for repaving. There was a major issue with a street flooding at the 129th Place, Palos Park. He has been having major issues with the engineer, and the Cook County inspector concerning this,

The person who lives in this house has put blocks across the causeway and the transplanted trees where the bushes are supposed to be. When it rains you can't see the problem. He is having trouble getting the engineer and the Cook County inspector together to discuss the problem when the area dries out. He continued this discussion and **Commissioner Adams** feels the combination of the plans, rainfall and what happens will lead to possibly fixing the problem. **Commissioner Adams** says he has it ALL in his head.

Commissioner Adams commented that the office looks great! Thanks, Karyn!

D. Clerk

1. Municipal Clerks Association of the South and West suburbs of Cook County.

Clerk Nolan attended this meeting, and she reported that it was a meeting for the municipal clerks and there was also a speaker and a dinner. The speaker was a Hickory Hills Police Sergeant who spoke on "Fraud in the suburbs." **Clerk Nolan** provided the Board and all officials with a handout concerning phone scams.

2. Thoughts on the TOCC Spring Conference June 13, 2024

Clerk Nolan was happy to announce that Supervisor Schumann, Clerk Jane Nolan, Highway Commissioner Gene Adams, Assessor Robert Maloney, and Trustee Tasneen Abuzir attended the conference. City of Palos Hills Treasurer, Ken Nolan, also attended with Palos Township. The TOCC Spring Conference took place on June 13, 2024 at the Oakbrook Double Tree Hilton Chicago. All participants liked the Conference. Highway Commissioner Adams liked the **Legal Issues Facing Township Road Districts** session, Clerk Nolan found the **FOIA and 1st Amendment**

Audits sessions very helpful. The others attending found **Establishing Health and Wellness Committee and Programs** of interest. Supervisor Schumann found that **Design with Canva for Your Township** had many new ideas for Palos Township. The Executive Board was presented, and the speaker was the Honorable Alexi Giannoulis, the Illinois Secretary of State.

Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of Palos Township Meeting Minutes, May 28, 2024.
- B. Audit and Approval of Town Fund Bills and Warrants Dated July 1, 2024.
- C. Audit and Approval of Road and Bridge Fund Bills and Warrants Dated July 1, 2024.
- D. Approval of General Assistance Fund Bills Dated July 1, 2024.

Action on Items Removed From Consent Calendar

There was no action on items removed from the consent calendar.

Legislation and Action Items

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

A. Budget Hearing for Consideration of Ordinance 2024-2025

The Public Hearing of the Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance was called to order by **Supervisor Schumann** in the Township Hall, 10802 S Roberts Road, Palos Hills at 6:55 P.M. Roll call was taken by the Clerk of the Township, **Jane Nolan**. Present were Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Supervisor Schumann and Highway Commissioner Adams. Also present was Township Attorney Caitlin Frenzer.

Supervisor Schumann moved to open the Public Hearing for the 2024-2025 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Town of Palos. **Trustee Jeanes** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. **Supervisor Schumann** stated that the notice of the hearing was published in two local newspapers for a period of thirty days.

Public comment: None

There were no written questions sent to the Township concerning the 2024-2025 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance.

Trustee Abuzir moved to close the Public Hearing at 7:00 P.M. **Trustee Jeanes** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

B. Consideration of ORDINANCE NO. 2024-O-02, ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION FOR PALOS TOWNSHIP, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING APRIL 1, 2024 AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2025.

Trustee Jeanes moved to adopt **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-O-02 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR PALOS TOWNSHIP COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING APRIL 1, 2024 AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2025.** **Supervisor Schumann** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, and Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-0.

C. Budget for Consideration of Ordinance No. 2024-02-O

The Public Hearing of the Tentative Budget Appropriation Ordinance for the Palos Township Road District was called to order by **Supervisor Schumann** in the Township Hall, 10802 S. Roberts Road, Palos Hills at 7:05 P.M. Roll call was taken at former Public Hearing.

Trustee Abuzir moved to open the Public Hearing for the 2024-2025 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Palos Township Road District at 7:10 P.M. **Trustee Jeanes** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Supervisor Schumann stated that the notice of the public hearing was published in two local newspapers for a period of thirty days.

Public Comment: None.

There were no written questions sent to the Township concerning the 2024-2025 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Palos Township Road District.

Trustee Jeanes moved to close the Public Hearing at 7:12 P.M. **Supervisor Schumann** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

D. Consideration of ORDINANCE NO. 2024-02-O ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION FOR THE PALOS TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING APRIL 1, 2024 AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2025. Supervisor Schumann moved to adopt **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-02-O ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE PALOS TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING APRIL 1, 2024 AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2025.** Trustee **Abuzir** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-0.

E. Consideration of Resolution No. 2024-R-07 A Resolution Approving The Cleaning Services Amendment

Supervisor Schumann stated the Board will defer on agenda item E.

Other Business for Discussion Only

Highway Commissioner Adams stated once more, that the depth and width of the drainage ditch on 133rd and 85th Avenue was engineered and approved by the Cook County Water Reclamation District. The people that live there do not want to cut the weeds that are growing up in the ditch. Commissioner Adams had nothing to do with this. It takes care of the water for the entire subdivision. He discussed this a little further and gave some examples of his comments.

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 Jeanes** moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 P.M. **Trustee Abuzir** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

Jane A. Nolan

Clerk

Palos Township