

**PALOS TOWNSHIP
ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT MEETING
10802 S. ROBERTS ROAD PALOS HILLS, IL 60465**

JULY 28, 2016

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The Road and Bridge District Meeting of the Palos Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Schumann in the Township Hall, 10802 S. Roberts Road, Palos Hills at 7:06 P.M. Present were Trustees Brannigan, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann, and Highway Commissioner Adams. Also present was Road and Bridge District Attorney Erik Peck, and Road and Bridge District Administrative Assistant, April Schrader.

Absent: None.

Supervisor Schumann turned the meeting over to Highway Commissioner Adams who stated that a quorum of elected officials were present for voting purposes.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Supervisor Schumann**.

3. Disposition of Minutes from Previous Meeting - June 23, 2016

a. Approval of Minutes - June 23, 2016

Trustee Woods moved to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2016, Road and Bridge District Public Hearing, **Trustee Riley** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Trustee Jeanes moved to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2016, Road and Bridge District Meeting, **Trustee Riley** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

4. Approval of Road and Bridge District Warrants - August 2016

a. Audit and Approval of Road and Bridge District Warrants August 2016

Trustee Woods moved to approve the audit of the Road and Bridge District bills in the amount of \$40,970.28. **Trustee Riley** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Brannigan, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

5. Highway Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Adams stated that weed cutting on the side of the roads has been going on all month. The Road District has been very busy with hole patching as well. This has been going on daily.

Commissioner Adams discussed the problems in the Azure Lake subdivision again. At their recent homeowner's meeting in Azure Lakes the homeowners discussed and approved what had to be done concerning the right away so that the Road District will accept their roads. This will not happen until next year.

Attorney Peck has been in contact with Mr. Steve DeLamberto. The Road District requires a minimum of 42 feet for the right away that must be put in at Azure Lakes. The Road District does not need the easement for the water and sewer. **Commissioner Adams** stated that at their homeowner's meeting 100% of the homeowners approved the annexing of the Road District right away. He discussed what will happen after the new house is built there. He feels the Road District is on the right track with Azure Lakes.

Commissioner Adams stated that the Azure Lake homeowners will proceed with their lawsuit. They will have to pay for completion of the road, engineering fees, attorney's fees, and announcements. There will be a Public Hearing at Palos Township. There are 10 homeowners involved. **Supervisor Schumann** reported that the Azure Lakes homeowners thanks the Board and the Road District for staying with them through this ordeal.

6. Unfinished Business

Commissioner Adams stated that the mud jacking of the sidewalks in Woodland Shores is into the second batch of sidewalks that need to be repaired. He also stated that no contract for salt has been signed for the winter months. The Road District is waiting for Cook County to accept a bid for salt. The Road District will then go with the Cook County bid for salt again this year.

7. New Business

Commissioner Adams informed the Board that he will be attending the Highway Commissioner's Educational Conference in Peoria this summer. He explained the new TOCC Brochure (discussed before by the Clerk) and feels the township should promote it.

He also stated that there is a house in Woodland Shores that has five sections of heaved sidewalks. They have not responded to the letter sent by the Road District to have their sidewalks fixed at this time. A letter will be sent asking them to get involved with fixing their sidewalks.

Several landscaped bushes at the township died during the winter this year. It is believed that this was because they were sprayed with salt during the winter season snow plowing. There was a discussion of the snow plowing contract, and the manner in which the plowing was completed this year. The contractor stated that the dead bushes were not their fault. They also stated that the wrong type of bushes were planted. This subject will be discussed at a later date.

There was a discussion concerning the Emerald As Boar trees. The second treatment to the trees to prevent this will begin soon. About 40% of the trees have been saved. **Commissioner Adams** stated that the Oak Tree blight has been found in this area, but has not been addressed here.

8. Citizen's Wishing to Address the Board

There were no citizens wishing to address the Board.

9. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

10. Adjournment

Trustee Woods moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 P.M. **Trustee Riley** seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Jane A. Nolan
Clerk
Palos Township