

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

June 27, 2022 – 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 60465 at 6:35 P.M.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken by the Clerk of the Township, **Jane Nolan**. Present were Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, and Supervisor Schumann and Highway Commissioner Adams. Also present was Township Attorney Erik Peck, and Road and Bridge District Administrative Assistant, April Schrader.

Officials present: Clerk Jane Nolan
Assessor Robert Maloney
Alderman Michael Lebarre (Palos Hills)

Others Present: April Schrader, Administrative Assistant of the Road and Bridge District (Palos)

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Schumann led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Prior Meeting's Minutes

- a. Approval of Minutes of the Palos Township Board Meeting of May 23, 2022

Trustee Jeanes moved to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2022 Township Board Meeting. **Trustee Abuzir** seconded the motion. Roll call

was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Special Presentations/Communications

Special Presentation

Alderman Mike Lebarre presented details about the Field of Honor Flag Fundraiser which will take place on Saturday, September 10, 2022 at Moraine Valley Community College in Palos Hills. This event is sponsored by Sertoma, Kiwanis International and Lions International. They are hoping to have 500 U.S. Flags flying in honor of our veterans. Different residents, groups and friends and relatives of veterans are donating to the event. There will be a card on each flag stating the veteran's name and whatever the person purchasing the flag wants on it. There will be an opening ceremony on September 10 at 11:00 A.M. There will be speakers at the ceremony and all the names of the veterans will be read aloud. This is to show our support of our veterans. There may also be music. The response has been very good. The flags are all made in the U.S. by a company called Colonial Flag.

The event is amazing to see. All orders should be completed by August 15-17. Palos Township will be participating in this. Orders should be sent in as soon as possible. There is a program that allows the purchase of a banner also.

Reports of Officials

a. Supervisor/Treasurer

a. Discussion of Field of Honor Ceremony, September 10, 2022, Moraine Valley Community College.

There was a general discussion of our participation in this event.

b. Discussion of Palos Hills PATSE bus donation from Palos Township.

Supervisor Schumann reported that Palos Township had a request from the City of Palos Hills for the Township to increase our donation for our

portion from \$12,000 to \$14,000. **Supervisor Schumann** reached out to **Trustee Woods** to include this in the budget.

This has been completed and they will receive the money.

b. Clerk

a. TOCC Annual Meeting Update

Clerk Nolan reported that there were fewer officials on the zoom this year than at the last Annual Meeting. The meeting went well and the next annual meeting in 2023 will be in person. There was a speaker who spoke about “Know and Be Known” concerning township officials and their townships and legislators. There will be more educational sessions this year for township officials and staff. The TOCC Directory is now available on the new TOCC website.

b. June 4, 2022 Recycling Event

Clerk Nolan stated that the recycling event went very well on June 4, 2022. They will give us two trucks if we want them if we have another event. The Sheriff’s Office will work with us for what we want. We made a suggestion that the ending time be dropped and just have “when the truck or trucks are full” on the information sheet. They liked this and will use it from now on. **Clerk Nolan** will call the person in charge at the Sheriff’s Office to confirm a date for our next event.

c. Highway Commissioner

Highway Commissioner Adams reported that the Township Highway Commissioners of the State of Illinois are planning their Education Program on August 1, 2022. There are many speakers lined up for this program. Someone from the Secretary of Transportation and someone from the State of Illinois Police Department will be there. It should be a very educational conference for the new Highway Commissioners. It is a two-day conference. The Highway

Commissioners of the State of Illinois are absorbing a good deal of the cost for this.

Highway Commissioner Adams is doing a great deal of tree trimming and pot hole patching. They are making some arrangements to clean out some sewer pipes. The main thing they are doing is the mowing of the grass on the sides of the road and trimming around signs. The pot hole patches have been very time consuming this year.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Peck stated that he had no report for the Board.

Reports of Standing Committees

a. Finance and Administration – Trustee Woods

a. Budget Hearing for Consideration of Ordinance No. 2022-0-02 the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Town of Palos and the General Assistance Fund.

Trustee Woods asked that the Board consider Ordinance No. 2022-0-02 the **ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF PALOS AND THE GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND.**

Trustee Woods moved to open the Budget Hearing for the Town of Palos and the General Assistance Fund. He amended the motion to include the Road and Bridge District. **Supervisor Schumann** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Trustee Woods reported that there were no necessary changes that have not been addressed in the text of the budget for the Town of Palos.

There were no discussions or public comments of the ordinance at that time.

There were no written questions or comments sent to the Township concerning the 2022-2023 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance.

The Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance was posted prior to this hearing.

Trustee Woods moved to close the Public Hearing. **Trustee Jeanes** seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

b. Consideration and Adoption of ORDINANCE NUMBER 2022-0-02 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR PALOS TOWNSHIP, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING APRIL 1, 2022, AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2023.

Trustee Woods moved to adopt **ORDINANCE NUMBER 2022-0-02 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR PALOS TOWNSHIP, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING APRIL 1, 2022 AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2023**. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

c. Audit and Approval of Town Fund Bills and Warrants Dated July 1, 2022

Trustee Woods moved to approve the audit of the Town Fund Bills and Warrants in the amount of \$44,506.16 and the additional amount in June of \$5,332.21. **Supervisor Schumann** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried.

d. Audit and Approval of General Assistance Fund Bills Dated July 1, 2022

Supervisor Schumann moved to approve the audit of the General Assistance Fund Bills. **Trustee Woods** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0

e. Budget Hearing for Consideration of Ordinance No. 2022-01-0 the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Palos Township Road District

Trustee Woods stated that there were no major changes in the Road and Bridge District Budget. There will be money for a road project for the Road and Bridge District this year.

There were no written questions or comments sent to the Township concerning the 2022-2023 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Road and Bridge District.

The tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance was posted prior to this meeting.

Trustee Woods moved to close the Public Hearings. **Trustee Jeanes** seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

f. Consideration and Adoption of ORDINANCE NUMBER 2022-01-0 the ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION FOR THE PALOS TOWNSHIP ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT. COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING APRIL 1, 2022 AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2023.

Trustee Woods moved to adopt **ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01-0 THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION FOR THE PALOS TOWNSHIP ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING APRIL 1, 2022 AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2023.** **Supervisor Schumann** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

g. Audit and Approval of Road and Bridge District Fund Bills and Warrants Dated July 1, 2022

Trustee Woods moved to adopt the audit of the Road and Bridge District Fund bills and Warrants in the amount of \$32,863.22, and Administrative Expense in the amount of \$6,358.21 for a total of \$39,221.43. **Trustee Riley**

seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

b. Policy and Personnel – Supervisor Schumann

Supervisor Schumann stated that she had no report for the Board.

c. Technology, Automation and Information – Trustee Riley

Trustee Riley stated that he had no report for the Board.

d. Building and Grounds – Trustee Jeanes

Trustee Jeanes stated that she had no report for the Board.

c. Public Services and Health – Trustee Abuzir

Trustee Abuzir reported the following for the month of June:

Cholesterol:	\$ 110.00
Health Service Fees:	\$ 690.00
Total:	\$ 800.00

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to come before the Board.

New Business

Trustee Woods discussed maintenance fees for our software which will give us more access. The maintenance fees for the software will be hosted by the company who made it. It will still be our program, and will save the township money. Also, everyone will be able to log in to the server.

Citizen's Wishing to Address the Board

Alderman Michael Lebarre of Palos Hills commended the employees of Palos Township for all they did for him during the campaign for Ukraine donations. There was an amazing amount of donations brought in to Palos Township, as it was a donation stop. Alderman Lebarre emphasized that the employees and officials are always willing to help with all things asked of them. The amount of donations dropped off at the township was massive.

Executive Session

No motion was made to enter 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 7:15 P.M. **Supervisor Schumann** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Jane A. Nolan

Clerk

Palos Township