

**PALOS TOWNSHIP
COMBINED BILL AUDIT AND ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT MEETING
10802 S. ROBERTS ROAD PALOS HILLS, ILLINOIS 60465**

June 28, 2021 – 6:30 P.M.

Call to Order

The Combined Bill Audit and Road and Bridge District 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 6:32 P.M.

Supervisor Schumann stated that Board Member Trustee Woods wished to attend the meeting by electronic means.

Trustee Jeanes moved that Trustee Woods attend the June 28, 2021, Combined Bill Audit and Road and Bridge District Meeting by electronic means. **Trustee Riley** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley, and Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

Roll Call

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

Officials Present: Clerk Nolan
Assessor Maloney

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Schumann led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Disposition of Minutes from Previous Meeting

There were no minutes for this meeting due to cancellations of some meetings.

Special Presentations/Communications

There were no special communications or presentations at this meeting.

Reports of Officials

a. Supervisor

Supervisor Schumann reported that one of the nurses in the Health Service is retiring and there was a luncheon for her on Monday. She worked a short time here at the township and came to us from Little Company. The Health Service will miss her. She was an excellent worker! **Supervisor Schumann** signed all the completed Sexual Harassment Trainings, and they will be sent off. There is a problem in the food pantry with pantry moths. This problem will be taken care of immediately. It can be a problem when food is donated from the outside, and the extensive heat can also cause problems.

b. Clerk

1. TOCC Annual Meeting Update

Clerk Nolan reported that she and Joan Davis attended the Annual Meeting in person at Schaumburg Township. Highway Commissioner Adams and Assessor Maloney attended by zoom. Palos Township was well represented! The Annual Budget passed and the new by-law amendments passed. The elections took place for the Executive Board. The Executive Board stayed the same. The following members were elected:

President: Timothy Heneghan (Schaumburg)
Vice President: Katie Dolan Baumer (Hanover)

Secretary: Jane Nolan (Palos)
Treasurer: Fran Sitkiewicz (Riverside)

2. SB 825 Highlights

Clerk Nolan discussed Senate Bill 825 with the Board. Some of the more important facts disseminated were:

1. The Primary Election in 2022 is June 28, 2022.
2. Petition circulation begins January 13, 2022.
3. The petition filing period is to be March 7-14, 2022.
4. Mail ballots will be available beginning March 30, 2022.
5. Early voting begins May 19, 2022.
6. This bill makes curbside voting permanent.
7. This bill allows county sheriffs to set up ballot booths at county jails.
8. This bill creates a pilot program to allow election authorities to establish at least one location for anyone in the county or municipality to vote on election day.
9. This bill establishing a process to allow the appointment of transgender persons to the Democratic State Central Committee.
- 10 This bill prevents units of local government from adopting measures that require General Assembly members to resign their offices in order to be eligible to win an office in a unit of local government.

c. Highway Commissioner

Highway Commissioner Adams reported that the Road District just finished a Public Hearing on the acceptance of Azure Lakes Subdivision. The Hearing went well. They discussed several things that were left out of the PUD when Azure Lakes was developed. The residents and the Road District know what those inequities were when the subdivision was given approval to build. At this point, Commissioner Adams thinks things are clear. We must make sure the description of the road right-of-way is dimensioned properly so that the homeowners are not stuck for the water line that is on their property,

Commissioner Adams also reported that the rains and hurricanes have not helped us. There were many grass clippings and tree limbs blocking drainage receptables in the township which has caused some day and night worries.

Commissioner Adams informed the Board that Bryan Smith of TOI is retiring August 1, 2021. He has done a good job. He wanted to know if we will be sending a letter thanking him. Jerry Crabtree will take over that position.

Attorney's Report

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

Reports of Standing Committees

a. Finance and Administration – Trustee Woods

- 1. Budget Hearing for Consideration of Ordinance No. 2021-0-01 (see separate minutes.)**
- 2. Consideration of ORDINANCE No. 2021-0-01, Adopting the ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION FOR THE TOWNSHIP AND GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND.**

Trustee Woods moved to adopt **ORDINANCE NUMBER 2021-0-01 THE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR PALOS TOWNSHIP, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING APRIL 1, 2021 AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2022.** **Supervisor Schumann** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

- 3. Consideration of ORDINANCE No. 2021-03-0 ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION FOR THE ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT.**

Trustee Woods moved to adopt **ORDINANCE NUMBER 2021-03-0 ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION**

FOR THE PALOS TOWNSHIP ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT. Trustee Riley seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

4. Audit and Approval of Town Fund Bills and Warrants Dated July 1, 2021.

Trustee Woods moved to approve the audit of the Town Fund Bills and Warrants in the amount of \$16,931.64. **Trustee Jeanes** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

5. Audit and Approval of Road and Bridge District Fund Bills and Warrants Dated July 1, 2021.

Trustee Woods moved to approve the audit of the Road and Bridge District Fund Bills and Warrants in the amount of \$38,256.59 and the Administrative Expense in the amount of \$6,391.39 for a total of \$44,647.98. **Trustee Abuzir** 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 new reports. She stated that next year, and thereafter, Juneteenth will be a holiday for the state and county.

c. Technology, Information and Automation – Trustee Riley

Trustee Riley stated that our computer liaison is on vacation. He confirmed the following be purchased by the township after discussion by the Board.

Three desktops
Three monitors
One iPad
One laptop

Trustee Woods is getting a quote for the laptop which will do many things. The laptop will allow us to broaden our meetings with microphones tied into the tables and a monitor behind us. There will be a camera in the back of the room. This will allow us to do a permanent broadcast of our meetings.

The monitors will be up to each individual user.

d. Buildings and Grounds – Trustee Jeanes

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

Supervisor Schumann reported she has noticed some trees and bushes are dying. This will also be taken care of in the near future.

Trustee Woods reported that the electrical work which he discussed at the last meeting has been completed. The new circuit was installed. Two new outlets were installed. The person doing the work gave Trustee Woods a list of other things that are wrong with the electrical box. He reported what the problems were. There are several things that have to be corrected. The total price for this work is \$175.00. He talked about bringing in another circuit box as ours is jam-packed and no other circuits can be put in. A new box with all the circuits and wires would cost between \$500-600. There still will be some problems until all of this is done.

e. Public Services and Health – Trustee Abuzir

Trustee Abuzir reported that she had no report for the Board.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to come before the Board.

New Business

There was no new business to come before the Board.

Citizen's Wishing to Address the Board

There were no citizens wishing to address the Board from the floor.

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 Jeanes** moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 P.M. **Trustee Woods** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

Jane A. Nolan

Clerk

Palos Township