

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

**JANUARY 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 7:08 P.M. Roll call was taken by the Clerk of the Township, Jane Nolan. Present were Trustees Brannigan, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Also present was Road and Bridge District Attorney, Erik Peck and Road and Bridge District Administrative Assistant, April Schrader.

**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**

**3. Disposition of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**a. Approval of Minutes - December 22, 2016**

**Trustee Woods** moved to approve the minutes of the December 22, 2016, Road and Bridge District Meeting. **Trustee Jeanes** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

**4. Approval of Road and Bridge District Bills**

**a. Approval of Road and Bridge District Bills - February 2016**

**Trustee Woods** moved to approve the Road and Bridge District bills in the amount of \$47,538.87. **Trustee Jeanes** 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** discussed various things which encompass the Road District bills such as salt bills. Low Water Crossings were discussed along with Motor Fuel Tax use.

**Commissioner Adams** has been surveying the township roads being worked on by Western Utilities who are repairing water pipelines, etc. He is watching due to damage caused on the right of ways which should be covered by the Western Utilities Restoration clause, so the work is properly done.

## **6. Unfinished Business**

**Commissioner Adams** stated that the current lawsuit is filed at this time, and may take up to six months to come to trial.

## **7. New Business**

## **8. Citizens Wishing to Address the Board**

**Mr. Bill Beddow, Palos Park**, came to address water drainage issues. He stated that a prior water issue he had was taken care of a few years ago. He went on to explain that the ditch line on 133rd Street does not let the water flow. Several properties are flooded due to this. Mr. Beddow continued on with details. He feels that the entire area needs to be reviewed. New homes are being built which are causing right away construction damage.

**Commissioner Adams** gave the resident background on the situation. He cannot address concerns like this in the winter, and he has not

investigated it. He would like to wait until Spring.

There was a detailed discussion of this situation. Mr. Beddow stressed this area needs to be addressed.

**Commissioner Adams** stated that he cannot address water on private property. Water on private property is a county issue. Mr. Beddow can

get Cook County involved in this if he so chooses. The drainage ditches along side the roads are the Road District's issues. There was a discussion of how the water runs. (during the entire conversation)

A second resident, Mr. Shoudis, Palos Park, showed pictures he had taken of the area, and also made many comments concerning the situation, as well as, asked questions. There was a question concerning a certain pipe. Is this pipe functioning or is it blocked? The Commissioner feels that it is possible construction caused problems with the culvert. The pipe could be removed.

**Highway Commissioner Adams** explained what the Road District has already done. He could possibly camera the culvert pipe to discover if there is a blockage. Arrangements will be made to proceed with the camera issues at a later date.

## **9. Executive Session**

## **10. Adjournment**

**Trustee Woods** moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 P.M. **Trustee Riley** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

**Jane A. Nolan**  
**Clerk**  
**Palos Township**