

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

**December 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 6:30 P.M.

**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.

**Absent:** None

**Officials present:** Clerk Jane Nolan  
Assessor Robert Maloney

**Others present:** April Schrader, Administrative Assistant, Road and Bridge District (Palos)  
Judy Adams, Palos Township resident

**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 November 28, 2022.

**Trustee Jeanes** moved to approve the minutes of the November 28, 2022 Township Board Meeting. **Trustee Riley** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Riley, and Woods and Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

## **Recognitions/Proclamations/Presentations/Communications**

There were no Recognitions/Proclamations/Presentations/Communications at this meeting.

## **Reports of Officials**

### **a. Supervisor/Treasurer**

**Supervisor Schumann** reported that the Christmas Distribution went well. Residents received gift cards and bags of food. Many residents took part in this distribution. The Lions Club and outside residents also gave gift cards for this distribution.

### **b. Clerk**

#### **a. Urban River FYI**

**Clerk Nolan** distributed a short memo which briefly described the Urban River Project. She thought it would be of interest to the Board members and officials.

Part of the Urban River Project is the Wild Mile Chicago which will be a mile-long floating park located on the North Branch Canal of the Chicago River, an artificial channel along the east side of Goose Island between Chicago Avenue and North Avenue.

The completed park will consist of floating gardens and forests with public walkways and kayak docks in the Chicago River. The Wild Mile will function as a public park, open-air museum, botanical gardens, kayakers' destination, classroom for the community, and provide habitat for native wildlife.

The Board did have interest in this project and may discuss it again.

**b. Highway Commissioner**

**Highway Commissioner Adams** reported that the Road and Bridge District had a brutal week during Christmas. They were out every day and they called 911 when they had a problem with the trucks working due to the cold. They salted for seven hours on Christmas Day. Their only complaint was that it was cold. There were not many complaints at the township. They used a great deal of salt. The Road and Bridge crew volunteered to work on Christmas Day!

**Attorney's Report**

- a. Motion to approve Ordinance 2022-O-03 for Palos Township, an Ordinance providing for the levying and assessment of taxes for the Town of Palos, Cook County, Illinois, and for the fiscal year commencing on April 1, 2022, and ending March 31, 2023.

**Attorney Peck** and **Trustee Woods** worked a little more on the levy and they changed the levy amount to go just under the 5% increase. The levy is \$1,153,000.00 for the Town Fund, \$128,000.00 for the General Assistance Fund for a sum total of \$1,281,000.00

Supervisor Schumann moved to adopt **ORDINANCE 2022-O-03 FOR PALOS TOWNSHIP, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVYING AND ASSESSMENT OF TAXES FOR THE TOWN OF PALOS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON APRIL 1, 2022, AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2023**. **Trustee Woods** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, and Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0

- b. Motion to approve Ordinance 2022-02-O for Palos Township Road and Bridge District, an ordinance providing for the levying and assessment of taxes for the Town of Palos, Cook County, Illinois for the fiscal year commencing on April 1, 2022 and ending March 31, 2023.

**Attorney Peck** reported that the levy for the General Road Fund will be \$344,798.00, and for the Hard Road Fund \$580,148.00 for a total of \$924,946.00.

**Supervisor Schumann** moved to adopt **ORDINANCE 2022-02-0 for PALOS TOWNSHIP ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT. AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR LEVYING AND ASSESSMENT OF TAXES FOR THE TOWN OF PALOS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON APRIL 1, 2022 AND ENDING MARCH 31,2023.** **Trustee Abuzir** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, and Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None: Motion carried 5-0

## Reports of Standing Committees

### a. Finance and Administration – Trustee Woods

1. Audit and Approval of Town Fund Bills and Warrants Dated January 1, 2023.

**Trustee Woods** moved to approve the audit of the Town Fund Bills and Warrants Dated January 1, 2023 in the amount of \$17,610.81 and the additional amount in December of \$2,415.52 for a total of \$20,026.33.

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

2. Audit and Approval of Road District Fund Bills and Warrants Dated January 1, 2023.

**Trustee Woods** moved to approve the audit of the Road and Bridge District Fund Bills and Warrants Dated January 1, 2023 in the amount of \$123,466.70, and the Administrative Expense in the amount of \$6,383.72 for a total of \$129,800.42. **Supervisor Schumann** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, and Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

3. Audit and Approval of General Assistance Fund Bills Dated January 1, 2023.

**Supervisor Schumann** moved to approve the audit of the General Assistance Fund Bills Dated January 1, 2023. **Trustee Woods** seconded the motion Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, and Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

**b. Policy and Personnel – Supervisor Schumann**

**Supervisor Schumann** reported that the township must do the Sexual Harassment Policy training every year. Our attorneys can do it with us in person or we can contact our insurance agency to ascertain if we can do it via a video training.

The Health Service personnel have had several staff medical issues. One nurse had foot surgery, and another one has been out for some time and is expected back soon. There are no other personnel or policy issues.

**c. Technology, Automation and Information – Trustee Riley**

**Trustee Riley** reported that the township will be going with the same I Pads that were previously discussed, as after doing some research on this brand, it is still the best price available.

**d. Building and Grounds – Trustee Jeanes**

**Trustee Jeanes** reported that a bulb is needed for the light in the exit sign. The nurses are interested in a railing at the back door. **Trustee Jeanes** will see that the railing will be installed.

**e. Public Services and Health – Trustee Abuzir**

**Trustee Abuzir** reported the cholesterol and Health Service fees for the month of December.

**They are as follows:**

Cholesterol	\$	150.00
Health Service Fees	\$	185.00

Total \$ 335.00

### **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 who wished to address the Board.

### **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 6:50 P.M. **Trustee Woods** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

**Jane A. Nolan**

**Clerk**

**Palos Township**