

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

September 13, 2021

Call to Order

The General Meeting of the Palos Township Board was called to order by **Supervisor Schumann** in the Township Hall, 10802 S. Roberts Road, Palos Hills, Illinois at 6:30 P.M.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken by the Clerk of the Township, **Jane Nolan**. Present were Trustees Abuzir, Jeanes, and Woods, Supervisor Schumann.

Absent: Trustee Riley
Entered at 6:37 P.M.

Officials Present: Clerk Nolan
Assessor Maloney

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Schumann led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

a. Approval of Minutes of the General Meeting of August 9, 2021

Trustee Woods moved to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2021 General Meeting. **Trustee Jeanes** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Special Presentations/Communications

There were no special presentations or communications at this meeting.

Reports of Officials

a. Supervisor/Treasurer

Supervisor Schumann reported that School Supply Program is going well. Also, the Salvation Army program for General Assistance is busy at this time of year.

b. Clerk

a. Open Meeting Act Better Understanding and Compliance Notes.

Clerk Nolan reported that she did a webinar through the Office of Kwame Raoul on September 1, 2021. She sent her notes from the webinar to all the Trustees and Supervisor Schumann. She discussed the following highlights with the Board.

1. The Public Access Counsel website is down due to ransomware. No one can do anything on that website until the problems have been assessed.
2. Be mindful of the appearance of impropriety.
3. COVID-19 allowed the Remote Meeting Conditions.
4. Rules for comment by the public body should be reasonable. Don't make-up ad hoc rules.
5. Senate Bill 482-may be considered during the veto session – would allow remote meetings without a disaster declaration.
6. Can limit public comment to agenda items. April 5, 2016 (rule prohibiting “personal attacking others or rude or slanderous remarks” overbroad and subject to arbitrary application.)
7. Public Act 102-0348, effective August 13, 2021. This act prohibits law enforcement agencies from conducting a criminal history check using the Law Enforcement Agencies Data Systems (LEADS);

Does not apply if reasonable suspicion of criminal conduct or threat to security.

b. TOI 114th Annual Educational Conference November 15-17 (Virtual Registration \$99.00 for the entire week.)

Clerk Nolan reported that the TOI 114th Annual Educational Conference is November 15-17 and it will be held virtually again this year. The registration is \$99.00 per person. Please give your completed registration to Diane before the deadline of November 8, 2021.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Peck stated he had no report for the Board.

Reports of Standing Committees

a. Finance and Administration – Trustee Woods

Trustee Woods stated that in December there has to be another schedule for new meetings. The General Meeting is usually shorter than the Bill Audit Meeting. He presented the idea that the Board change from two meetings per month to one meeting per month. The only meeting would then be the Bill Audit and Road and Bridge District Meeting on the fourth Monday of the month.

The Board members agreed, and the new schedule of meetings will begin in January.

b. Policy and Personnel – Supervisor Schumann

Supervisor Schumann stated there are no changes to policy and personnel.

c. Technology, Automation and Information – Trustee Riley

Supervisor Schumann reported that there was nothing to report because Mike Conrad is busy at this time with some personal issues, and he has not

been able to come to the township to work on the computers. **Supervisor Schumann** will talk to him next week.

Clerk Nolan asked if the Township is interested in continuing to be a member of the Dell Member Purchase Program (MPP) through Dell Technologies US Member Purchase Program. This program would enable township employees, officials and also residents to receive discounts on electronics.

Trustee Riley said he would like to have someone or someplace that he can compare pricing. He asked Clerk Nolan to give him the numbers. Clerk Nolan may also call.

d. Buildings and Grounds – Trustee Jeanes

Trustee Jeanes stated that she had no report.

Trustee Woods reported on recent electrical work done at the township. The electrical work that was being done is now complete. He will replace the ground fault interrupter and put in some new circuits. The amount of money was just over \$700.00 which was substantially lower than Trustee Woods thought it would be. He brought the box back into compliance and straightened out all the ground wires that were there. The doubled-up circuits were also straightened. He put good stuff foam in there to seal off around the new box, and he is getting a plate to go over it.

e. Public Services and Health – Trustee Abuzir

Trustee Abuzir reported the following for the month of August:

Cholesterol	\$ 150.00
<u>Health Service Fees</u>	<u>\$ 1,560.00</u>
Total	\$ 1,710.00

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to come before the Board.

New Business:

There was no new business to come before the Board.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

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

Executive Session

There was no motion 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 6:55 P.M. **Trustee Riley** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

Jane A. Nolan
Clerk
Palos Township