

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

**September 14, 2020**

**Call to Order**

The General Meeting of the Palos Township Board was called to order by **Supervisor Schumann** at 6:34pm. She was in attendance at the Township Hall. The meeting was held via internal conference call pursuant to the Executive Order of the Governor.

All persons interested in attending were able to do so by visiting our website at [WWW.palostownship.org](http://WWW.palostownship.org) and selecting the link to JOIN THE MEETING.

All persons wishing to address the Board will be permitted to do so through the web-conference platform following the standard rules previously adopted by the Board.

The Township Hall was not opened for the meeting.

**Roll Call**

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 Township Attorney, Erik Peck.

**Officials Present:** Clerk Nolan  
Assessor Maloney

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Supervisor Schumann** led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Disposition of Prior Minutes from Previous Meeting**

### **a. Approval of Minutes General Meeting August 10, 2020**

Trustee **Jeanes** moved to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2020 General Meeting. **Trustee Woods** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Brannigan, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

## **Special Presentations/Communications**

There were no special presentations or communications at this meeting.

## **Reports of Officials**

### **1. 2019-2020 Audit Report**

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

**Supervisor Schumann** distributed the 2019-2020 Audit Reports to the Board members and the Clerk. They were asked to review them at their earliest convenience.

#### **b. Clerk**

### **1. Reminder – TOCC Annual Virtual Meeting, Wednesday, September 16, 7:00 P.M.**

**Clerk Nolan** reminded the Board about the TOCC Annual Virtual Meeting which will take place on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. at Schaumburg Township (virtual from there.) There will be about eight or nine people in attendance at Schaumburg Township. Three TOCC Executive Board members and two TOCC Directors will be in attendance. About 40 members will tune in virtually. All Board members had the opportunity to sign up on their computer through their email. **Supervisor Schumann, Clerk Nolan** and **Trustee Woods** will be in attendance. **Clerk Nolan**, as Secretary

of TOCC will be in person at Schaumburg for the meeting. This is the first time TOCC has done an Annual Meeting virtually.

## **Attorney's Report**

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

## **Reports of Standing Committees**

### **a. Finance and Administration – Trustee Woods**

**Trustee Woods** reported that he has begun the work on township on line codification with the company we are going to use for the codification of ordinances and making them available on line. He has a meeting with them this week. Once he has met with them, the conversion from the current on-line code will be completed.

Residents will be able to go on line and search old ordinances and any documents the township puts on including the code.

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

**Supervisor Schumann** stated there are no policy issues. She reported that she is still working with **Clerk Nolan** concerning the Sexual Harassment Training. There have been new guidelines from the government with certain specifications. **Clerk Nolan** added that all employers and all officials must participate in the training. This must be completed by December 31, 2020. Training must be done every year from now on.

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

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

### **d. Buildings and Grounds – Trustee Jeanes**

**Trustee Jeanes** asked **Trustee Riley** if the server was being installed.

**Trustee Woods** answered that the installation of the server is just about

finished. Dennis has done testing on the server through the VPN, and it went well. Dennis will be working with each employee and official so that they can connect to the server.

**Trustee Jeanes** also reported that there has been a change with ComEd and the township installation of the LED lights. We did an assessment report with ComEd for this installation. ComEd decided that we could not apply for the financial help as a small business, we have to apply as a government entity. The proposal has to be re-figured so it will be put on hold for now. **Trustee Jeanes** will meet and discuss this issue with **Supervisor Schumann**.

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

**Trustee Brannigan** reported the following amounts from the Health Service for the month of August:

Cholesterol	\$ 95.00
Health Services	\$ 1,240.00
Total Amount	\$ 1,335.00

**Trustee Brannigan** reported that when she spoke with Alicia at the Health Service today, she said that they don't have any intention of doing COVID testing at the township. She currently recommends going to Physicians Immediate Care in either Orland Park or Alsip. The address for the Orland Park Immediate Care is 9570 W. 159<sup>th</sup> Street, Orland Park. The address of the Alsip Physicians Immediate Care is 4800 W. 129<sup>th</sup> Street, Alsip, Illinois.

**Unfinished Business**

There was no unfinished business to come before the Board.

**New Business**

**Clerk Nolan** reported that she sent all the trustees a copy of the mail ballot procedures. It discusses what will happen to your mail ballot if you put it in a designated guarded mail ballot box at a precinct. Any resident can put their

sealed mail ballot in any designated box at any precinct. The procedure sheet discusses the steps the ballot will follow after it is picked up from the precinct. These mail ballot sheets are available at Palos Township. **Clerk Nolan** feels it is a very involved process.

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

### **Speaker #1**

Mohammed Yasin

Mohammed spoke to the Clerk. He stated that in 2010 a Trustee from Buffalo Grove was recalled.

He is looking as a Township resident to collect signatures for a recall board for a few trustees that will be submitted to the Commissioners Board of Elections. He discussed the number of signatures that would be required to do this. He requested that the Clerk will cooperate with them, and receive their letter of intent and petitions. He stated that they want to practice their constitutional right in the state of Illinois to get rid of people that we do not need. Such as people that are not being a great asset to the community, and it is a huge mistake that are placed on this Board of Trustees.

(Mohammed did state collect signatures for trustees in the village not the township.)

**Clerk Nolan** stated she had never really done anything like this before. If this is something she is supposed to do, she stated she will do it. Call to set up a meeting with the Clerk at the township concerning this.

### **Speaker #2**

The Trustees Are Racists

He wanted to say "Hi" to Sharon as the protestors are actually at her house and, they had an interaction with her husband. We are bringing this to you right now

at your house. We have been demanding this for way too long and you won't do anything. **Trustee Jeanes** thinks this sounds threatening and should be stopped! I am talking to Sharon and addressing the Board. We are now at the township protesting with over 15 cars and 35 people. We are going to keep doing this COVID or not. "We are going to come to your house, Sharon, and maybe we will go to Jeanes's house and maybe Schumann's house or workplace." We are not going to stop! We are going to keep doing this! **Trustee Jeanes** inserts again that this should be stopped as it is a threat! (**Supervisor Schumann** states that the township does have this on tape!)

### **Speaker #3**

Tammy Georgiou

Tammy stated that white supremacy goes unchecked in Federal Government, and maintains the status quo. We find ourselves here again to denounce the hate of white supremacy, and for the third month in a row to request the township to publicly denounce white supremacy and to commit to anti-racist training for all employees and officials. Also, to make a statement in support of Black Lives Matter and back that statement up with actual items. In Palos Township, as of Friday, September 11, approximately 2000 people had active cases of COVID-19. She gave numbers of cases within each municipality. Palos Township should use their tax money to help Palos Township. You have not used this money for six months and you should be embarrassed. She is glad Palos Township is thinking about COVID-19 testing now.

**Supervisor Schumann** asked if there were any more questions or comments at this time.

**Trustee Jeanes** stated that we have sent a letter to Sharon Brannigan. None of us agree with her. We have asked for her resignation. We cannot make her resign. It is out of our hands!

### **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 7:00 P.M. **Trustee Jeanes** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Brannigan, Jeanes, Riley and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned.

**Jane A. Nolan**

**Clerk**

**Palos Township**