

**PALOS TOWNSHIP
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
NOVEMBER 13, 2013
REGULAR MEETING**

The Regular Meeting of the Palos Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Schumann in the Township Hall, 10802 S. Roberts Road, Palos Hills, at 7:00 P.M. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken by the Clerk of the Township, Jane Nolan. Present were Trustees Brannigan, Lebarre and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Also present was Township Attorney, James Gierach.

Absent: Trustee Riley

Supervisor Schumann stated that a quorum of elected officials were present for voting purposes.

There was a presentation by Jim Seay concerning the Opt-Out Energy Program for the unincorporated area of Palos Township. The consulting company will work with Palos Township concerning the paperwork to complete this project. The residents will get a better price if they are involved in this program.

There are many documents which have to be completed. The township will be provided with all of the necessary documents. The winning bid supplier pays the Opt-Out Energy Aggregation Program consultant. Residents on the Opt-In Energy Aggregation Program will also have a chance to opt-out.

There were questions from both Attorney Gierach and the Board concerning the Energy Aggregation Program. Any business that uses over 15,000 kilowatt hours is eliminated from the program. He stated that the cost of electricity is rising at this time.

This Opt-Out Energy Aggregation Program will be a Referendum question on the March 18th, 2013, Primary Election Ballot in unincorporated Palos Township.

Trustee Lebarre moved to approve the minutes of the October 15th, 2013, Regular Meeting. **Trustee Woods** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Brannigan, Lebarre, and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Attorney Gierach read Resolution R-2013-12 to the Board.

Trustee Lebarre moved to approve Resolution-2013-12 the Resolution Initiating The Submission Of A Public Question To Authorize The Township To Adopt An Opt-Out Program

For The Supply Of Electricity To Residential And Small Commercial Retail Customers. **Trustee Woods** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Brannigan, Lebarre and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

Attorney Gierach read Ordinance No. 2013-04 to the Board.

Trustee Woods moved to approve Ordinance No. 2013-04 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, 2013 And Ending March 31, 2014. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Brannigan, Lebarre, and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

Trustee Lebarre moved to authorize Supervisor Schumann to execute the Truth-In Taxation Compliance Certificate. **Trustee Brannigan** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Brannigan, Lebarre and Woods, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Current Press Releases:

Supervisor Schumann reported that there were several press releases from the Health Service. One concerned cholesterol screening, and the other was a release informing the residents that Vitamin D Testing will be done at the Township on November 12th, 2013. These press releases will appear in the local papers.

Health Service Update:

Supervisor Schumann stated that the Health Service is providing flu shots at this time.

Trustee Lebarre discussed a picnic which could be held at the township honoring local veterans. This will take place in the summer of 2014. Trustee Lebarre will work on some plans for this outing. There will be more discussion at a later date concerning this function.

Trustee Woods reported that the Palos Township Republican Organization is having a food drive for the Palos Township Food Pantry. This year they would like to have the food dropped off directly at the township. This will happen on a week night in December between the times of 3:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M., and a Board member will be present to receive the food at all times.

Attorney Gierach informed the Board that the insurance company needs to be notified any time residents are involved in township activities.

There was a question concerning the proposed township storage unit. This subject will be visited again in the spring.

Trustee Woods moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 P.M. **Trustee Brannigan** seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Jane A. Nolan
Clerk
Palos Township