

PALOS TOWNSHIP

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

JANUARY 12TH, 2009

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 7:05 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 Conway, Morrissey, Panos and Ryan, Supervisor Schumann. Also present was Township Attorney, James Gierach.

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

Trustee Ryan made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2008, Regular Meeting. **Trustee Morrissey** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Morrissey, Panos and Ryan, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

Trustee Conway abstained from voting due to absence at the December 8, 2008, Regular Meeting.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Clerk Nolan informed the Board that the paperwork for the Shred-It Class Action Lawsuit will be sent out this week. The money should be coming back to the Township.

The check for the Carl Sandburg High School Band that will be performing at the Presidential Inauguration was sent on Friday, January 9th, 2009.

Current Press Releases

Clerk Nolan sent out four press releases concerning the April 7th, 2009, Consolidated Election to all four local papers.

Jenette Leedy sent out a press release in relation to the Pot Luck Brunch for Breast Cancer which will take place in the Town Hall on January 15, 2009. There are thirty-six reservations for this event to date.

Clerk Nolan reported that **Assessor Maloney** had also placed several press releases in the local papers concerning the Board of Review Meeting which will take place at the Township on Tuesday, January 13th, 2009, at 7:00 P.M. at the Township Hall.

There was discussion of the 2009 Fee Schedule and Automated Payroll Processing submitted by Richard A. Demma, Township Accountant.

The accounting services for all monthly statements for all funds are \$665.00 per month at this time.

Trustee Panos made the motion to approve the 2009 Fee Schedule as presented by Richard Demma. **Trustee Conway** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Conway, Morrissey, Panos and Ryan, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Trustee Conway made the motion to change the current payroll from manual-in-house to automated payroll processing. **Trustee Panos** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Conway, Morrissey, Panos and Ryan, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Schumann announced that the Health Service recently received a new refrigerator for \$700.00 through grant money that the Health Service received.

There is no word on the Martha's House project at this point, possibly due to the economy.

Supervisor Schumann and Bernadette Orr met with a representative from Catholic Charities concerning programs that they will be sponsoring in the Palos area. There is a new senior housing complex being planned for the Holy Family Villa area. This will be made possible through money from HUD. They were also informed about clinics etc., that can be beneficial to Palos Township residents.

Trustee Panos had some questions about the flu vaccine as news reports had stated that it was not working. This is not the vaccine that is being dispersed by the Township Health Service. **Supervisor Schumann** injected that should someone come down with the flu the medicine Theraflu is not effective against it.

The bills of the General Assistance Fund were passed for approval by the Board.

Trustee Morrissey made the motion to approve the audit of the General Assistance Fund bill. **Trustee Ryan** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Conway, Morrissey, Panos and Ryan, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

The bills of the Town Fund were passed for approval by the Board.

Trustee Ryan made the motion to approve the audit of the Town Fund bills. **Trustee Morrissey** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Conway, Morrissey, Panos and Ryan, Supervisory Schumann.

Attorney Gierach informed the Board that he received a call from Ken Busse, Urban Planning Consultant for Palos Heights. He was advised that there was going to be a meeting of the TIF District in connection with the Palos Heights Gateway Redevelopment Project Area (the "Gateway TIF"). The purpose of the annual JRB (joint review board) meeting is to review the effectiveness and status of the Gateway TIF.

Attorney Gierach read the letter he received aloud to the Board. He stated groups that had attended prior meetings, and also stated the present fund balances.

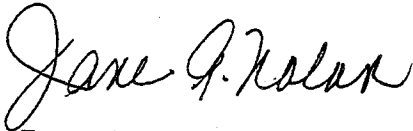
The letter explained the history of the Gateway TIF and the North Point Basic Development Group.

The meeting on January 15th, 2009, is to discuss the revised plans for these areas.

Attorney Gierach will attend the meeting to represent Palos Township.

Trustee Ryan asked if any Board member had responded to the e-mail which was sent to them by a resident of Palos Park. No one has responded at this time. There was a brief discussion of this subject.

Trustee Panos made the motion for adjournment at 7:45 P.M. **Trustee Conway** seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.



Jane A. Nolan

Clerk

Palos Township