

PALOS TOWNSHIP

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

APRIL 20TH, 2009

ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT MEETING

The Road and Bridge District Meeting 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 Conway, Morrissey, Panos and Ryan, Supervisor Schumann, and Highway Commissioner Adams. Also present was Erik Peck, Road and Bridge District Attorney, and Mary Wallenburg, Road and Bridge District Administrative Assistant.

Supervisor Schumann turned the meeting over to Highway Commissioner Adams who stated that a quorum of elected officials were present for voting purposes.

Trustee Morrissey made the motion to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing of March 16th, 2009, concerning the Suffield Woods subdivision. **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 Panos made the motion to approve the minutes of the March 16th, 2009, Road and Bridge District Meeting. Trustee Ryan seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Conway, Morrissey, Panos and Ryan, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Highway Commissioner Adams stated that there were no comments from Cook County concerning the Suffield Woods subdivision or any of their objectives. The approval of the roads in the subdivision is the next step. At this time this is still in limbo. Cook County had an objection to the retention pond. The validity of the homeowners association is in question. The Highway Commissioner has a joint IEPA contract between the Township and the Road District. The concern of the Road District at this time is to get the roads into their jurisdiction.

Highway Commissioner Adams stated that Bob Miller of McHenry Township organized a consortium of all the townships in his district, and he received a salt procurement of \$78.00 a ton. He heard that CMS (Central Management Services in Springfield) was going to come in at the same price for salt.

NEW BUSINESS:

Highway Commissioner Adams informed the Board that the price of asphalt has gone down. The bids this year are between \$58.00 and \$60.00 a ton in place (with whatever it takes to put it down) The Highway Department may be able to do some paving this year. The Road District had to go into their CD's to pay for salt last year. The decision concerning paving will be made down the road.

Highway Commissioner Adams stated that a contractor is building a house in the Gallagher and Henry subdivision of Suffield Woods. A general contractor is building this house. There was a discussion concerning water fixtures and a new law concerning them and tapping onto the water main. The water mains in Suffield Woods belong to Orland Park. The state changed the code concerning the water lines. The Road and Bridge District does not have anything to do with the water fixtures. The Road District can approve their general plans as submitted. The Road district can say on their permit "subject to county review" concerning the situation of the water fixtures.

Highway Commissioner Adams stated that the Road District notified the county not to issue an occupancy permit concerning the property on 133rd

Street between 83rd and 84th Avenue. The neighbors want to know when the hole in the street will be fixed. (which was put there by the contractor) There is a \$10,000 bond on this property. The streets were torn up when the foundation for the house was put in.

The bills of the Road and Bridge District Fund were passed for approval by the Board.

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

Highway Commissioner Adams commented that the Palos Township Road and Bridge District is the only Road District that has its own meeting in the state of Illinois. The Road and Bridge District Board Meetings are between the Clerk and the Highway Commissioner. The Board approves the bills as part of the budget. The Highway Commissioner wants the Board to know the workings of the Road District. He stated that he has had a wonderful working relationship with the present board.

Trustee Morrissey made the motion to move into Executive Session at 7:32 P.M. for the purpose of discussing compensation. **Trustee Ryan** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken:

Trustee Conway:	Yes
Trustee Morrissey:	Yes
Trustee Panos:	Yes
Trustee Ryan:	Yes
Supervisor Schumann:	Yes

Motion carried 5-0.

The Board returned from Executive Session m at 7:36 P.M.

Trustee Panos made the motion to release the minutes of the Executive Session of November 17th, 2009, and place them in the Clerk's file. **Trustee Morrissey** seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.