

## **PALOS TOWNSHIP**

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD**

**OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2009**

#### **BILL AUDIT MEETING**

The Bill Audit 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 Carbonara, Conway and Ryan, Supervisor Schumann. Also present was Township Attorney, James Gierach.

**Trustee Poulos** arrived at 7:10 P.M.

**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 September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Bill Audit Meeting. **Trustee Carbonara** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Carbonara, Conway and Ryan, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS:** None.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Attorney Gierach** discussed Resolution R-09-06 the Resolution Determining The Amount Of Money Necessary To Be Raised By Taxation For The 2009-2010 Fiscal Year and for the 2009 Tax Year.

The amount extended in taxes for the Town Fund in 2008 was \$733,705.37. \$770,182.00 is the maximum amount taxes can be increased over the prior year without having a levy hearing and publishing it in the local newspapers.

That is a 105% increase over the prior year. The number was rounded off to \$777,000.00 as a proposed levy for the General Town Fund.

The amount levied in 2008 for the General Assistance Fund was \$75,231.52. This number was multiplied by 105% and the number that came up within the cap was \$78,992.00. Attorney Gierach reduced this number down to \$78,000.00 to be levied for 2009.

**Attorney Gierach** explained that even though 105% is levied the Township will generally not receive all of this money. New construction in the township can raise the levy. The county assessor is allowed to add that in when the limitation is calculated.

**Attorney Gierach** went on to explain that the law requires that there be a gap of not less than 20 days from the time that the Town Board adopts the resolution determining the amount of money to be raised by taxation and the time that the levy is adopted.

Both sums to be levied are 105% of the amount extended for 2009. The Board has the right to adopt less than the numbers given here.

**Attorney Gierach** reads Resolution R-09-06 aloud.

**Trustee Conway** made the motion to approve Resolution R-09-06 Determining The Amounts Of Money Necessary To Be Raised By Taxation For The 2009-2010 Fiscal Year And For The 2009 Tax Year. **Trustee Carbonara** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Carbonara, Conway, Poulos and Ryan, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

**Attorney Gierach** has started to prepare a draft of the levy ordinance at this time.

**Attorney Gierach** passed out a revised copy of the budgetary timetable to the Board. He explained various parts of such. There will be no levy hearing or newspaper publication as the Board is not levying in excess of 105%.

**Current Press Releases**

There was an article in the local newspapers from **Assessor Maloney's** office concerning a 5% reduction on residential 2009 tax bills.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Clerk Nolan** reported that the Township Board has to adopt an ordinance in December concerning a new FOIA law which begins on January 1, 2010.

At this time **Trustee Conway** made the motion for the Board to go into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing the minutes of previous closed sessions. **Trustee Poulos** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken.

Trustee Carbonara	Yes
Trustee Conway	Yes
Trustee Poulos	Yes
Trustee Ryan	Yes
Supervisor Schumann	Yes

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:49 P.M. **Supervisor Schumann** announced that no action was taken in the Executive Session, and the Board is back in the regular session of the Bill Audit Meeting, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

**Trustee Conway** made the motion to open the Minutes of June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2005, Executive Session. **Trustee Ryan** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Carbonara, Conway, Poulos and Ryan, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

**Trustee Conway** made the motion to keep the Executive Session Minutes dated October 11, 2005, and the Executive Session Minutes dated June 29, 2006, closed. **Trustee Carbonara** seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Trustees Carbonara, Conway, Poulos and Ryan, Supervisor Schumann. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Health Service Update**

**Supervisor Schumann** discussed the Health Fair which took place last week. It was successful! There were many vendors present to give information to residents concerning various health related topics.

The Health Service has no H1N1 vaccines at this time, and all of the regular flu vaccines are depleted.

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

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

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

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

**Trustee Poulos** made the motion for adjournment at 7:56 P.M. **Trustee Conway** seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

  
**Jane A. Nolan**

Clerk

**Palos Township**