

# CITY OF PALOS HEIGHTS



## ROADS & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes April 9, 2019

The Roads & Construction Committee of the City of Palos Heights met at the Palos Heights City Hall on April 9, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Kramarski. Present were Chairman Kramarski, Alderman Basso, and Alderman Key. Also in attendance were Public Works Director Adam Jasinski, City Engineer Aurimas Spucys, City Administrator Dan Nisavic, Alderman Jerry McGovern, resident Jack Trevillian and Recording Secretary Charlotte Moore. Alderman Clifford was absent

### Minutes

Chairman Kramarski moved to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2019 meeting, seconded by Alderman Basso. All in favor and motion carried.

### Public Works Report: Adam Jasinski

- Consideration to approve the annual resolution establishing Prevailing Wage Rates on Public Works Contracts.
  - Director Jasinski mentioned that this is an Illinois law, asking that all projects carry a prevailing wage rate.
  - Chairman Kramarski moved to approve the resolution establishing Prevailing Wage Rates on all public works contracts, seconded by Alderman Basso. All in favor and motion carried.
- Salt Supply – 979 tons delivered in 2019
  - Director Jasinski indicated that we have currently have ordered and received 979 tons of salt out of our 1,000-ton allotment. We currently cannot store anymore salt. The salt bin is full.
  - We are renewing the contract for the same amount of salt to be delivered for next season.
- Approval of Payment to IDOT in the amount of \$13,086.75 for the Ridgeland Ave. Project
  - Director Jasinski would like to request payment to IDOT in the amount of \$13,086.75 for Ridgeland Avenue. This is only a partial payment.
  - Chairman Kramarski moved to approve payment of \$13,086.75 to IDOT, seconded by Alderman Key. All in favor and motion carried. **AGENDA**
- MFT Road Program
  - Director Jasinski mentioned that we are looking to have a May 7<sup>th</sup> letting for the MFT resurfacing program. The bid packets are at IDOT and ready.
- Chipper Service/ Sweeper - Update
  - Director Jasinski said the new sweeper is out cleaning the streets to prevent grit from entering the storm sewers. The chipper is also out cleaning up the branches.

## **Engineer's Report: Aurimas Spucys, Morris Engineering**

- Aurimas wanted to add for the 2019 Road Program that the books have been approved and signed by IDOT. IDOT will advertise on their Thursday bulletin for contractors with the letting date. We will follow up with a local ad, to give double advertising for the bid.
- Aurimas has touched base with the contractor from last year's program. There is some patching left and aggregate shoulders to do. They are slowly getting their guy back in. We may need to do a large patch on 76<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- Route 83 Sidewalk
  - The Geometrics department will sign off on it Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. It then goes back to the permit engineer, for processing paperwork.
  - Work to begin in spring 2019.

## **Alderman Comments**

Chairman Kramarski asked director Jasinski if he has heard anything about the bridge on Southwest Highway. Director Jasinski commented that he has been briefed on the project, but has not heard on the direction IDOT will be going.

Chairman Kramarski has heard the bridge is going to be down to one lane until October. Aurimas believes it is typically just maintenance.

Alderman Basso wanted to find out about the hanging limb at 127<sup>th</sup> and 69<sup>th</sup> Court that he notified Adam about. Director Jasinski notified IDOT to handle to limb, since it was their right of way. According to alderman Basso, the limb is now laying in the culvert and wondering how it got there. Director Jasinski will notify IDOT.

Alderman Basso is concerned about 127<sup>th</sup> west of Harlem. Around 74<sup>th</sup> avenue on the south side, the gravel has gone away in spots and have broken away the asphalt. People are obviously passing on the left and the gravel is gone. Alderman Basso would like to request more gravel and also some no passing signs.

Alderman Basso would like to make sure that the information about the chipper service be added to the Buildings & Grounds meeting. Usually this part of the Buildings & Grounds agenda.

Alderman Key mentioned that he received some compliments on the removal of stop signs. There were some landscaping issues, but Alderman Key said for the residents to be patient. Public Works is working on it.

Alderman Basso received a complaint from a resident near the library who said the stop sign removal has made for a faster, straighter run. Now it's just a speedway. Everyone needs to be alert and aware at all intersections.

Alderman McGovern approached the committee to discuss the frequency of accidents on 127<sup>th</sup> Street & 74<sup>th</sup> Avenue. One accident was a hit & run with a fire hydrant. The other accident involved a drunk driver who hit a car, knocked out trees, and then knocking out a fence and landing upside down against a house. Alderman McGovern would like to get together and petition the state for a guard rail at this corner. Chairman Kramarski would like director Jasinski to work with the police chief. Kramarski also suggested that Aurimas could get involved and petition with IDOT for some relief for the homeowner.

### **Morris Engineering Invoices**

Chairman Kramarski moved to approve payments to Morris Engineering for various projects in Palos Heights in the amount of \$13,616.02, seconded by Alderman Key All in favor and motion carried. (**Voucher List**)

### **Resident Comments**

Alderman McGrogan stopped in on behalf of Misty Meadows subdivision. He was interested in possibly getting some sealcoating on the streets. There hasn't been anything done in about 10 years and it is starting to come up. Alderman Key mentioned that the sealcoating will come right up after the snow plows come along. Alderman McGrogan would like for director Jasinski to look into this. Director Jasinski and Aurimas noted that crack sealing is typically applied on roadways and will look into pricing.

### **Adjourn**

There being no further business, Chairman Kramarski moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Key. All in favor and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Charlotte Moore, Recording Secretary