

**CITY OF PALOS HEIGHTS**



**ROADS & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE  
Meeting Minutes  
June 23, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Roads & Construction Committee of the City of Palos Heights met at the Palos Heights City Hall on June 23, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Kramarski. Present were Chairman Kramarski, Alderman Basso via phone in, Alderman Clifford and Alderman Lewandowski. Also in attendance were: Public Works Director Adam Jasinski, City Administrator Dan Nisavic, Aurimas Spucys from Morris Engineering via phone in, and recording secretary Jessica Swiedals.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Kramarski moved to approve the minutes of the March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting seconded by Alderman Clifford. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**DIRECTORS REPORT:** Adam Jasinski

**2020 MFT Road Program**

- Director Jasinski explained construction work began in May and currently Public Works is one day away from the final surface to be paved in both subdivisions.

Director Jasinski is requesting the approval of payment to Lindahl Brothers Inc. in the amount of \$249,863.98 for the 2020 Roadway Resurfacing Program.

Chairman Kramarski moved to approve the final payment to Lindahl Brothers Inc. for the 2020 Roadway Resurfacing Program in Palos Heights in the amount of \$249,863.98, seconded by Alderman Lewandowski. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. **AGENDA**

Director Jasinski is requesting the approval for the final payment to Lindahl Brothers Inc. in the amount of \$30,725.48 for the 2019 Roadway Resurfacing Program.

Chairman Kramarski moved to approve the final payment to Lindahl Brothers Inc. for the 2019 Roadway Resurfacing Program in the amount of \$30,725.48 seconded by Alderman Clifford. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. **AGENDA**

Director Jasinski is requesting the approval for the final payment to Lindahl Brothers Inc. in the amount of \$7,650.76 for the Roadway General Maintenance Program started in 2018 and completed in 2019.

Chairman Kramarski moved to approve the final payment to Lindahl Brothers Inc. in the amount of \$7,650.76 for the Roadway General Maintenance Program started in 2018 with completion in 2019 seconded by Alderman Clifford. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. **AGENDA**

Director Jasinski is requesting the approval for payment to Lindahl Brothers Inc. in the amount of \$1,149.78 for the Metra Lot Resurfacing Project.

Chairman Kramarski moved to approve the payment to Lindahl Brothers Inc. for the 2019 Metra Lot Resurfacing Project in the amount of \$1,149.78 seconded by Alderman Lewandowski. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Director Jasinski is Requesting for Resolution for local match regarding the Surface Transportation Program requested by the Southwest Conference of Mayors. This is a requirement to obtain federal-funding for the Southwest Conference of Mayors. Public Works is looking to approve a resolution to provide our local 20% match. The funding that was applied for and approved was for the project on 76<sup>th</sup> Ave from 131<sup>st</sup> Street to 135<sup>th</sup> Street, 123<sup>rd</sup> Street from 76<sup>th</sup> Ave to Harlem and also the Lake Katherine parking lot.

Chairman Kramarski moved to approve the Resolution for local match regarding the Surface Transportation Program requested by the Southwest Conference of Mayors with the match being 20%, seconded by Alderman Basso. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

#### **UPDATES**

- During the project in Ishnala, Public Works have removed a large amount of curb work. They have also improved some drainage during the month of April.
- Director Jasinski explained since the last meeting in March, there has been a significant amount of rainfall. With the all of the rainfall events, there was an incident with the Oak Lawn Water Main Transmission. Public Works tried their best to resolve the situation right away. Unfortunately, there were a few homes that were impacted by a sewer collapse.
- Also, with the rainfall there have been a significant number of residents that have called complaining of standing water in front of their houses. Public Works has compiled a list of homes that they could potentially improve their drainage or ditches and culverts. Public Works will be attempting to complete one of those projects per week.
- The Public Works Department have been repairing potholes and other various resurfacing issues.

#### **ONGOING PROJECT UPDATES**

- **123<sup>RD</sup> Street and Natchez culvert replacement**- This culvert was brought to Public Works attention through routine inspection and also by Trinity College. The roadway base is starting erode, and the roadway is slowly sinking. Public Works is looking to obtain funding from MWRD to try and replace the culvert with a new concrete box culvert. This is shared with Trinity College so Public Works is looking to obtain funding through grants or match.
- **RTA Sidewalk Grant**- This project is to finish the sidewalk around Ridgeland Ave, with sidewalks down Route 83 to Trinity College.
- **Invest in Cook Grant**- This is a grant to finish the sidewalk from Route 83 to the Cal-Sag Bike Trail on the east side of Ridgeland.

- **Ridgeland Ave Median Repairs-** There is a preliminary agreement with the Cook County Maintenance Bureau in order to save on time, Public Works will put together a project, set it up for Bid and Cook County will reimburse them for the cost when the project is completed.
- **Lake Katherine Parking Lot-** The agreement and funding was approved last month by IDOT. There will now be a kick-off meeting with IDOT and Burke Engineering and Public Works hopes to move forward with this project.
- **State Salt Purchase Program for year 2020/2021-** Public Works is unable to renew the previous contract for salt so they will be joining other municipalities and going out for Bid through the state salt purchasing program. Currently there is plenty of salt to last until late next season due to limited use this season.

### **MORRIS ENGINEERING**

Aurimas Spucys from Morris engineering updated the committee on various projects. There was a kick-off meeting with IDOT regarding the 123<sup>rd</sup> Street construction project. The goal is a January 2021 Bid Letting. Morris started design prior to the meeting and are confident in a straightforward job. Morris is planning a one-year construction project starting May 2021 with completion in November 2021.

Regarding the 76<sup>th</sup> Ave 131<sup>st</sup> Street to 135<sup>th</sup> Street Resurfacing Project, there was a kick-off meeting and because this project is only resurfacing, IDOT had questions about the existing bike paths being ADA compliant. The information was found and sent to IDOT, so Morris is hopeful they will allow entry into Phase 2.

Chairman Kramarski moved to approve an invoice from Morris Engineering for two projects in the amount of \$1,089.50, seconded by Alderman Clifford. On a voice vote, motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Kramarski moved to approve an invoice from Morris Engineering for five projects in the amount of \$20,572.48, seconded by Alderman Clifford. On a voice vote, motion passed unanimously.

### **VOUCHER**

### **OLD BUSINESS-**

**NEW BUSINESS-** None.

**PUBIC COMMENT** - None.

### **ADJOURN**

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jessica Swiedals, Recording Secretary