

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2011**

Supervisor Reaume called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Reaume, Supervisor
Kay Arnold, Trustee
Robert Doroshewitz, Trustee
Ron Edwards, Treasurer
Michael Kelly, Trustee
Steven Mann, Trustee

ABSENT: Joe Bridgman, Clerk, Excused

OTHERS PRESENT: Robert Antal, Police Lieutenant
Patrick Fellrath, Director of Public Utilities
Cal Lauria, Police Lieutenant
Mark Wendel, Fire Chief
Timothy Cronin, Township Attorney
Philip Westmoreland, Dietrich Bailey Associates
Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary
Eric Bacyinski, Deputy Clerk
Amy Hammye, Deputy Treasurer
18 Members of the Public

Presentation - Plante Moran - 2010 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Mr. Martin Olejnik of Plante and Moran reviewed the 2010 Audit Presentation to the Board and Mr. Joe Heffernan, also of Plante and Moran, reviewed the report to the Board.

Presentation - The Senior Alliance - agency update

Mr. Bob Brown, Executive Director of the Senior Alliance, Area Agency, gave a presentation on the services offered Township residents and the numbers of clients served.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Regular Meeting - Tuesday, July 12, 2011

Moved by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Ms. Arnold, to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of July 12, 2011. Ayes all.

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E. CONSENT AGENDA

E.1 Approval of Minutes:

Special Meeting - Tuesday June 21, 2011

E.2 Approval of Township Bills:

		Year 2011
General Fund	(101)	\$1,058,879.15
Solid Waste Fund	(226)	43,609.90
Improvement Revolving Fund (Capital Projects)	(246)	413,545.15
Drug Forfeiture Fund	(265)	7,590.35
Water and Sewer Fund	(592)	916,795.33
Trust and Agency Fund	(701)	21,275.18
Police Bond Fund	(702)	6,049.00
Tax Fund	(703)	1,107.57
Special Assessment Fund	(805)	-
Golf Course Fund	(510)	341,825.40
Total:		\$2,810,677.03

E.3 Approval of Easements:

E.4 Communications-Resolutions-Reports:

Letter from USAR Fire Chief Corey Bartsch
Building Dept. Report, July 2011
Fire Dept. Report, July 2011
FOIA Report, July 2011
Retiree Medical Plan Actuarial Valuation Report - December 2010
Assessing Dept. - Michigan Tax Tribunal Report 2011 - 2nd Quarter

Moved by Ms. Arnold, seconded by Mr. Edwards, to approve the consent agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of July 12, 2011. Ayes all.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT AND QUESTIONS

Mr. Jerry Vorva, a City of Plymouth resident, had questions for Plante and Moran representatives regarding the lag time for assessed valuations and he stressed having the Township strenuously look at further shared services with the City of Plymouth.

G. PUBLIC HEARING

H. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1) Amendment to Water and Sewer System Ordinance
Ordinance Number C-2011-05
Second reading

Attorney Cronin explained that the amendment is to have the water and sewer rates and fees removed from the ordinance and have them included in the Township's fee schedule.

Moved by Mr. Doroshewitz, seconded by Ms. Arnold, to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. C-2011-05, amending the Water and Sewer System Ordinance, Chapter 73, Article 1, Sections 73.010 through 73.070. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

A copy of the Ordinance is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

J. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) DPW Foreman Employment Agreement

Mr. Reaume noted the extensive qualifications of Mr. Mike Karll who is a recent retiree from Canton Township.

Moved by Ms. Arnold, seconded by Mr. Kelly, to approve the employment agreement with Mike Karll for the vacant position of DPW Foreman, and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the agreement. Ayes all.

- 2) Detroit Water and Sewer Department Amendment Number 1 to
Water Service Contract

Mr. Reaume explained that lengthy negotiations with DWSD executive staff; new Wayne County appointee to the Board of Water Commissioners, Jim Fausone; and representatives from Mayor Bing's office, resulted in new rate factors that will mean considerable savings for the Township.

Mr. Reaume thanked Mr. Fausone, who was present at the meeting, for his efforts in these negotiations. He also indicated the recommended hours for watering remain from 12 noon until 6 p.m. and from midnight until 6 a.m.

Mr. Edwards thanked Mr. Reaume for his part in the negotiations and noted that if residents begin to conserve water, it will negatively affect water costs to the Township.

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Moved by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Edwards, to accept the Offer of Settlement from DWSD and approve the attached Amendment No. 1 to the Water and Service Contract between the City of Detroit and the Charter Township of Plymouth, and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the amendment. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

A copy of the Amendment is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

3) Water and Sewer Rates

Mr. Martin Olejnik of Plante and Moran reviewed the Water and Sewer Fund financial information, which resulted in their recommended rate increase of \$.70 per one thousand gallons.

Within the Charter Township of Plymouth Comprehensive Fee Schedule, Mr. Edwards moved to revise the water rate from \$3.10 to \$3.80 per one thousand gallons and retain the current sewage disposal rate at \$5.25 per one thousand gallons. Seconded by Ms. Arnold.

The motion was subsequently withdrawn by the maker and supporter upon Mr. Mann's indication that the new water and sewer rates are part of the Comprehensive Fee Schedule, which is the next item for adoption.

**4) Comprehensive Fee Schedule
Resolution Number 11-07-12-17**

Moved by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Doroshewitz, to approve Resolution No. 11-07-12-17, adopting the Comprehensive Fee Schedule, effective immediately. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

A copy of the Resolution is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

K. SUPERVISOR AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Mr. Reaume commented on the storm damage in the township and the upcoming Concours d'Elegance to be held at the Inn of St. John's July 30-31.

Mr. Doroshewitz thanked the many volunteers and donors at the picnic. He especially thanked his wife who ended up with much of the work while he had to be out of the country on business.

Mr. Edwards thanked Fire Chief Wendel and the firemen and policemen who went door-to-door warning people of dangers because wires were down on fences because of the storm.

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L. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jerry Vorva reiterated his suggestion for the Township to seriously look at additional shared services with the City of Plymouth and surrounding communities.

Mr. Roy Banks had questions regarding the licensing of solicitors/peddlers because he recently had at least seven come to his home trying to sell windows and siding.

Deputy Clerk Bacyinski informed him that the Clerk's office can be called for license verification and a "No Solicitors" sign can be obtained from the Clerk's office to be attached to the front door.

M. CLOSED SESSION

At 8:49 p.m., Mr. Reaume moved that a closed session be called for the purpose of

RE: Consider the purchase of real property

This is a permissible purpose under the Michigan's Open Meeting Act, Public Act No.267, Article 15.268, section 8, paragraph (d). Seconded by Ms. Arnold.

Roll call: AYES: Reaume, Arnold, Doroshewitz, Edwards, Kelly
NAYS: Mann

Motion carried.

At 9:20 p.m., Mr. Reaume moved to return to open session, seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Moved by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Ms. Arnold, to buy from the Office of the Wayne County Treasurer, First Right of Refusal for 2011 Foreclosure List, Parcel No. 78 001 99 0001 000 for an offered price of \$287,679.85.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Edwards, Arnold, Doroshewitz, Reaume
NAYS: Kelly, Mann

Motion carried.

Attorney Cronin had questions whether a super majority is needed for the purchase of property. He agreed to research the question and report tomorrow.

Mr. Edwards called for a brief recess.

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N. ADJOURN

Moved by Mr. Reaume, seconded by Ms. Arnold to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m.
Ayes all.

Eric Bacyinski
Deputy Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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