

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2015  
7:00 p.m.  
MINUTES**

In the absence of Mr. Reaume, Ms. Conzelman called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and led in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Nancy Conzelman, Clerk  
Ron Edwards, Treasurer  
Kay Arnold, Trustee  
Charles Curmi, Trustee  
Robert Doroshewitz, Trustee  
Michael Kelly, Trustee

**ABSENT:** Richard Reaume, Supervisor, Excused

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Joann Coobatis, HR Director  
Patrick Fellrath, Director of Public Utilities  
Dan Phillips, Fire Chief  
Thomas Tiderington, Police Chief  
Robert Antal, Police Lieutenant  
Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney  
Dave Richmond, Spalding DeDecker Associates  
Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary  
87 residents

**D. APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDENT PRO TEM**

Moved by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Edwards to appoint Ms. Conzelman as President Pro Tem for this meeting.

AYES: Arnold, Edwards, Conzelman, Curmi, Kelly  
NAYS: Doroshewitz

Motion carried.

**E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Regular Meeting - Tuesday, March 31, 2015

Moved by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Kelly to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of March 31, 2015. Ayes all.

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**F. FIREFIGHTER PROMOTIONS**

Fire Chief Dan Phillips introduced three firefighters, Christopher Smith, Ean Culver, and Douglas Pickert, who have each completed their one-year probationary period. Ms. Conzelman then administered the oath of office to them.

**G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**E.1 Approval of Minutes:**

Special Meeting - February 28, 2015  
Regular Meeting - March 3, 2015  
Special Meeting - March 21, 2015

**E.2 Acceptance of Utility Easements:**

**E.3 Acceptance of Communications, Resolutions, Reports:**

Building Report - February 2015  
Fire Report - February 2015  
FOIA - February 2015  
Set Date for Public Hearing on April 21, 2015 for IFT Applications:

- Loc Performance
- Mobis

**E.4 Approval of Township Bills:**

		<b>Year 2015</b>
General Fund	(101)	\$1,429,741.51
Solid Waste Fund	(226)	103,712.66
Improvement Revolving Fund (Capital Projects)	(246)	147,460.75
Drug Forfeiture Fund	(265)	16,978.91
Golf Course Fund	(510)	3,242.41
Water and Sewer Fund	(592)	719,439.33
Trust and Agency Fund	(701)	-0-
Police Bond Fund	(702)	10,945.00
Tax Fund	(703)	-0-
Special Assessment Fund	(805)	187.15
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$2,431,707.72</b>

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Moved by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Ms. Arnold to approve the consent agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of March 31, 2015. Ayes all.

**H. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Comments from residents included displeasure with the Board, recommendations for Supervisor, hope that selection for replacement of the Supervisor would go to public vote, lack of criteria to fill the position, and hope that the best interests of Plymouth Township will be served.

**I. PUBLIC HEARING**

**J. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**K. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**L. NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) Request for Board Action - Approve Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming License for Team First Baseball - **Resolution 2015-03-31-11**

Moved by Mr. Curmi and seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve Resolution 2015-03-31-11 approving the Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming Licenses for Team First Baseball. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

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

- 2) Request for Board Action - Control of Overpopulation of Canada Geese - **Resolution 2015-03-31-10**

Moved by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Ms. Arnold to approve Resolution 2015-03-31-10 to allow residents of the Charter Township of Plymouth to participate in the DNRE Canada Goose Nest Destruction and Relocation programs. Parties wishing to participate must still apply for the appropriate MDNR permit and follow its procedures and requirements. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

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

- 3) Request for Board Action - Supervisor Vacancy - Additional Questions

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Moved by Mr. Doroshewitz and seconded by Mr. Curmi to add 11 additional questions to the interview process.

AYES: Doroshewitz, Curmi, Kelly  
NAYS: Arnold, Conzelman, Edwards

Motion defeated as the result of a tie vote.

Moved by Ms. Conzelman and seconded by Mr. Curmi to add the following question, submitted by a resident:

If offered the position of Supervisor, would you resign from any work or contractual position that you currently hold?

Ayes all.

4) Supervisor Vacancy - Candidate Statements

Ms. Conzelman indicated two potential candidates for the position have withdrawn. The eight remaining candidates pulled a number from a hat and delivered their statements in the following order:

1. Kurt Heise
2. Steven Birmingham
3. Mark Cords
4. Robert Doroshewitz
5. Ron Bullotta
6. Charles Curmi
7. Shannon Price
8. Ray Byers

The Board recessed briefly from 8:40 p.m. until 9 p.m.

5) Supervisor Vacancy - Interview Candidates for Township Supervisor

Ms. Conzelman then posed the following questions to each candidate:

1. Why are you interested in being Township Supervisor?
2. What qualities, skills, and experience do you bring to the Township Board?
3. What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the Township and Board?
4. What do you see as the top priority in the township in the next 2 years?

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5. What is your position on the Police and Fire departments (staffing, budget, equipment) and future needs?
6. If appointed to the Supervisor position, would you seek re-election when the appointment expires?
7. What would be your first priority if appointed to this position?
8. Describe how you will advocate openness and democratic process in all board activities with emphasis on team decision making and consensus?
9. If offered the position of Supervisor, would you resign from any work or contractual position that you currently hold?

The Board again recessed briefly from 10:50 p.m. until 11:10 p.m.

6) Supervisor Vacancy - Appointment of Township Supervisor

The Board thanked the candidates for their participation and for the fine ideas offered during the interview process.

Moved by Ms. Conzelman and seconded by Ms. Arnold to reconvene in a special meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2015 at 7 p.m. at which time Board members will come prepared to rank the top three choices of candidates as follows:

First Choice	3 points
Second Choice	2 points
Third Choice	1 point

Ayes all.

**M. SUPERVISOR AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

Ms. Conzelman and Mr. Edwards noted how impressed they were with the candidates and the valuable comments made.

Mr. Curmi asked that the Shredding and Electronics Day on April 18 and the Hazardous Waste Day on April 25 be widely publicized.

**N. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Comments included excitement over the great candidates and compliments to Ms. Conzelman for leading the meeting.

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

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Moved by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Edwards to adjourn the meeting at 11:31 p.m.  
Ayes all.

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Nancy Conzelman, Township Clerk