

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2015**

PROPOSED MINUTES

Supervisor Price called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Shannon Price, Supervisor
Nancy Conzelman, Clerk
Ron Edwards, Treasurer
Charles Curmi, Trustee, arrived at 6:10 p.m.
Robert Doroshewitz, Trustee
Michael Kelly, Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT: Steve Mann, Trustee, Excused

OTHERS PRESENT: Dan Phillips, Fire Chief
Thomas Tiderington, Police Chief
Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney
Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary
17 Members of the Public

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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Moved by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Kelly to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees special meeting of December 10, 2015. Ayes all.

Trustee Curmi arrived at 6:10 p.m.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joseph Yarnevich, Tim Boyd, Roland Thomas, Estelle Oliansky and Cindy Klots, expressed their objections to Plymouth Township providing water and sewer service to Salem Township. Some of the possible problems cited included loss in property values, impact on water usage rates from Detroit, impact on quality of life, possible culpability for lowering value of homes, and fear that feasibility studies may be skewed.

F. CLOSED SESSION:

At 6:32 p.m., Ms. Conzelman moved that a closed session be called for a strategy and negotiation session connected with the negotiation of collective bargaining agreements and attorney opinion regarding debt owed by City of Plymouth, pursuant to OMA Sections 8(c) and (h).
Seconded by Mr. Edwards.

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The Board returned to open session at 7:57 p.m.

Moved by Mr. Curmi and seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve the TPOAM contract as discussed during closed session. Ayes all.

Moved by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Curmi to approve the contract with the Teamsters as discussed during closed session. Ayes all.

G. BUDGET WORKSHOP

Board members discussed budgets for the General Fund, including the Police and Fire Departments, Solid Waste Fund, Water and Sewer Fund, Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, Improvement Revolving Fund, Downtown Development Authority, State Drug Forfeiture Fund and Senior Transportation Fund.

H. DISCUSSION: REVOKING PRIOR DECISION TO CONDUCT WATER/SEWER FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR SALEM TOWNSHIP

Clerk Conzelman indicated that in order to protect the interests of Plymouth Township residents with respect to the high density housing and other commercial and retail developments being built in Salem Township's Urban Services District, Plymouth Township would ultimately need to be able to enter into a '425 Agreement' with Salem Township. A '425 Agreement' is a conditional transfer of land to Plymouth Township in exchange for an extension of water and sewer services. Plymouth Township would receive tax revenue from the transferred land as well as control over planning and zoning. Subsequent to the Board's approval of the feasibility study, Salem Township indicated they were not willing to consider a 425 Agreement.

Ms. Conzelman therefore introduced the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 2015-12-10-29

WHEREAS, the Board passed a resolution entering into an inter-governmental agreement with Salem Township to conduct a feasibility study to determine whether Plymouth Township has the capacity to provide water and sanitary sewer service to Salem Township Urban Services District, such study to be funded through an escrow agreement with Salem Springs, LLC, which escrow agreement was also approved as part of the aforementioned resolution, and

WHEREAS, circumstances relevant to the Board's approval of the above referenced IGA and Escrow Agreement have changed;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD HEREBY RESOLVES to revoke Resolution 2015-11-17-28 revoking the authorization of the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the IGA with Salem Township, and revoking the authorization for the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the escrow agreement with Salem Township.

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It was then moved by Ms. Conzelman and seconded by Mr. Edwards, to approve Resolution 2015-12-10-29, revoking Resolution 2015-11-17-28. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Doroshewitz, to adjourn the meeting at 9:52 p.m. Ayes all.

Nancy C. Conzelman, Township Clerk

Shannon G. Price, Township Supervisor