

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2016**

**PROPOSED MINUTES**

Supervisor Price called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and asked Kurt Heise to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Shannon Price, Supervisor  
Nancy Conzelman, Clerk  
Robert Doroshewitz, Trustee  
Charles Curmi, Trustee  
Steve Mann, Trustee

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ron Edwards, Treasurer, Excused  
Michael Kelly, Trustee, Excused

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Patrick Fellrath, Dir. of Public Utilities  
Dan Phillips, Fire Chief  
Jana Radtke, Comm. Dev. Director/Planner  
Thomas Tiderington, Police Chief  
Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney  
Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary  
39 Members of the Public

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Regular Meeting - Tuesday, August 09, 2016

Moved by Ms. Conzelman and seconded by Mr. Mann to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of August 9, 2016. Ayes all.

**E. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**E.1 Approval of Minutes:**

Regular Meeting - July 19 2016

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

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

Building Department Monthly Report - July 2016  
Fire Department Monthly Report - July 2016  
FOIA Monthly Report - July 2016

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

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		<b>Year 2016</b>
General Fund	(101)	\$817,634.32
Solid Waste Fund	(226)	116,890.71
Improvement Revolving Fund (Capital Projects)	(246)	7,174.11
Drug Forfeiture Fund	(265)	1,236.76
Golf Course Fund	(510)	2,882.29
Senior Transportation	(588)	10,748.95
Water and Sewer Fund	(592)	190,672.30
Trust and Agency Fund	(701)	7,396.10
Police Bond Fund	(702)	1,650.00
Tax Fund	(703)	-0-
Special Assessment Fund	(805)	21,423.98
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$1,177,709.52</b>

Moved by Ms. Conzelman and seconded by Mr. Mann to approve the consent agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of August 9, 2016. Ayes all.

**F. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS** – There were none.

**G. PUBLIC HEARING**

1) Request for Board Action - Consent Amendment for Applied Fitness Solutions

Mr. Price opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. There were no public comments. Jana Radtke, Comm. Dev. Director/Planner, reviewed the five changes requested in the Consent Amendment regarding hours, use of lighting, sign requirements, changes in reference to the Zoning Ordinance, and public access from Haggerty Road. Mr. Price closed the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

Mark LeChard of Applied Fitness Solutions addressed the Board and answered questions.

Moved by Ms. Conzelman and seconded by Mr. Curmi to approve the Motion to Authorize the Township Attorney to file a joint motion with the Attorney for 40700 Ann Arbor Road, LLC, to enter into a Consent Amendment to the 1980 Judgment for land use of Applied Fitness Solutions, 40700 Ann Arbor Road. Ayes all.

**H. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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**J. NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) Request for Board Action - Approve WTUA Annual Budget - **Resolution 2016-08-09-19**

Aaron Sprague of WTUA addressed the Board and answered questions.

Moved by Ms. Conzelman and seconded by Mr. Curmi to approve **Resolution 2016-08-09-19** approving Western Townships Utility Authority (WTUA) Annual Budget for the Year Ending September 30, 2017.

Ayes: Conzelman, Curmi, Doroshewitz, Mann, Price  
Nays: None  
Absent: Edwards, Kelly

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

- 2) Request for Board Action - Approve the Senior Alliance 2017-2019 Multi-Year Plan (MYP) for Aging Services

Moved by Mr. Curmi and seconded by Mr. Mann to approve **Resolution 2016-08-09-20** approving the Senior Alliance 2017-2019 Multi-Year Plan (MYP) for Aging Services as presented to the Charter Township of Plymouth.

Ayes: Conzelman, Curmi, Doroshewitz, Mann, Price  
Nays: None  
Absent: Edwards, Kelly

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

- 3) Request for Board Action - Direction to the Board regarding Clerk's Authority to Open Mail

Ms. Conzelman presented Mr. Bennett's legal opinion regarding the Clerk's statutory and exclusive authority to open all mail delivered to the Township. The legal opinion, together with an article from the Michigan Township Association, clarified the following: A township clerk who opens mail addressed to a specific person at the address of Township Hall is not committing a crime; the clerk is simply performing his/her statutory duty. Further, any attempt to circumvent the Clerk's authority over Township mail, whether by having it directed to another address or post office box, or by enacting an ordinance preventing the Clerk from opening the mail, is in direct contravention of the law.

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Moved by Mr. Mann and seconded by Mr. Doroshewitz to receive and file the legal opinion regarding the Clerk's authority to open mail. Ayes all.

**K. SUPERVISOR AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

Mr. Mann congratulated the winners of the local primary election and pledged his support for the new board. He also indicated that he supports the many accomplishments that the outgoing board has made over time as well as the individual elected officials who have sacrificed a lot of their own time personally to do a lot for this Township that shouldn't go unrecognized. He asked everyone, candidates and members of the public alike, to take down all of the negative comments on social media and other forums.

Mr. Curmi had questions regarding economic development projects and matters currently underway such as reimbursement by the Wayne County Treasurer's Office and City of Plymouth.

Mr. Doroshewitz indicated he would clarify his comments on social media that were made during a long and difficult campaign.

Ms. Conzelman thanked all the election inspectors and members of the counting boards for their hard work on Election Day.

Mr. Price gave updates on economic development and current projects and noted he has invited Mr. Heise to attend meetings with department heads.

**M. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

| Chris ~~E~~Zavisa had questions regarding placement of campaign signs and enforcement.

**N. CLOSED SESSION: Union negotiations: Open Meetings Act Section 8 (c)**

At 7:40 p.m. it was moved by Ms. Conzelman and seconded by Mr. Mann to move into closed session for the discussion of Union Negotiations. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

At 8:20 p.m. it was moved by Ms. Conzelman and seconded by Mr. Mann to return to open session. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

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**O. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Ms. Conzelman and seconded by Mr. Curmi to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m. Ayes all.

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Nancy C. Conzelman, Township Clerk

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Shannon G. Price, Township Supervisor