

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2018**

**APPROVED MINUTES**

Supervisor Heise called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kurt Heise, Supervisor  
Mark Clinton, Treasurer  
Charles Curmi, Trustee  
Jack Dempsey, Trustee  
Robert Doroshewitz, Trustee  
Gary Heitman, Trustee  
Jerry Vorva, Clerk

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Patrick Fellrath, Director of Public Services  
Dan Phillips, Fire Chief  
Jon Brothers, Police Lieutenant  
Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney  
Sandra Groth, Deputy Clerk  
Sue Brams, Executive Assistant to the Supervisor  
Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary  
26 Members of the Public

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Bill Heitman

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**  
Tuesday, April 24, 2018

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Trustee Dempsey to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of April 24, 2018 as written. Ayes all.

**A. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

D.1 **Approval of Minutes:**  
Regular Meeting – Tuesday, April 10, 2018

D.2 **Acceptance of Communications, Resolutions, Reports:**  
Building Department Monthly Report – March, 2018  
Fire Department Monthly Report – March, 2018  
Police Department Monthly Report – March, 2018  
FOIA Report – Clerk's Office - March, 2018  
FOIA Report – Police Department – March, 2018

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**D.3 Approval of Township Bills:**

<b>FUND</b>	<b>ACCT</b>	<b>ALREADY PAID</b>	<b>TO BE PAID</b>	<b>TOTAL:</b>
General Fund	<b>101</b>	\$384,863.13	\$74,923.32	\$459,786.45
Solid Waste Fund	<b>226</b>	4,141.50	102,721.95	102,854.45
Improvement Revolving (Capital)	<b>246</b>	.00	.00	.00
Drug Forfeiture Fund	<b>265</b>	.00	.00	.00
Drug Forfeiture State	<b>266</b>	.00	.00	.00
Drug Forfeiture IRS	<b>267</b>	.00	.00	.00
Golf Course Fund	<b>510</b>	387.01	2,235.29	2,622.30
Senior Transportation	<b>588</b>	3,984.15	.00	3,984.15
Water/Sewer Fund	<b>592</b>	634,899.58	23,441.40	658,340.98
Trust and Agency	<b>701</b>	.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Police Bond Fund	<b>702</b>	8,686.00	.00	8,686.00
Tax Pool	<b>703</b>	.00	.00	.00
Special Assessment Capital	<b>805</b>	(7.41)	(7.41)	
<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>\$1,039,435.96</b>	<b>\$203,312.96</b>	<b>\$1,242,766.92</b>

Trustee Dempsey pointed out a correction on Page 4 of the minutes, second paragraph under Item 2. He indicated the name of one of the two residents who spoke is Thomas Sountas.

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Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to approve the consent agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of April 10, 2018. Ayes all.

**E. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Mr. Lynn Ehrle, former vice-president of the Consumer Alliance of Michigan, spoke regarding the issue of electro-magnetic frequencies and potential health detriments, particularly for children. He distributed written information on the subject to Board members. Supervisor Heise noted his office could put Mr. Ehrle in touch with State Representative Gary Glenn from the Midland area who is drafting legislation to address the issue.

**F. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Presentation by DTE Energy on Recent Ice Storm

Barbara Rykwald, Regional Manager, and Bill Cloutier, Manager of Distribution Operations, updated Board members on restoring customers to power after the recent ice storm. They also reviewed the completion of the tree-trimming and pole top maintenance, and the progress in line clearance work begun last fall.

*Copies of Resolutions referred to below are on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.*

2. Professional Services Request for Stormwater Permit Application Completion – **Resolution #2018-04-24-23** – Patrick Fellrath, Director of Public Services

Patrick Fellrath, Director of Public Services, explained the necessity for assistance in responding to MDEQ by a May 21 deadline regarding the Township's application in April 2016 for reissuance of its Stormwater (MS4) Permit.

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to approve **Resolution #2018-04-24-23**, authorizing the professional services as listed on the attached proposal from Spalding DeDecker Associates, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$9,600 for assisting Township DPS in responding to MDEQ review comments and request for additional information on Township's MS4 Permit Application. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

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3. Approval of Trash, Recycle, Yard Waste Contract, Selection of Advanced Disposal previously approved under Resolution #2018-03-27-09 – Kurt Heise, Supervisor

Moved by Trustee Curmi and seconded by Trustee Heitman to approve the contract with Advanced Disposal for Plymouth Township facilities trash, recycling, and yard waste collection, and authorize the Supervisor to sign same. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

4. CLASS Investment Authorization, **Resolution #2018-04-24-22** – Mark Clinton, Treasurer

Treasurer Clinton reviewed the proposal with Board members, noting the current rates of return exceed the highest available in the approved banking depositories by .6%.

Moved by Supervisor Heise and seconded by Trustee Heitman to approve **Resolution #2018-04-24-22**, which authorizes the Charter Township of Plymouth's inclusion in the Michigan CLASS investment pool through adoption of the Participation Agreement, subject to review and approval by the Township attorney. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

5. Appointment of Jack Dempsey to the Charter Township of Plymouth Election Commission – **Resolution #2018-04-24-18** - Jerry Vorva, Clerk

Moved by Trustee Doroshewitz and seconded by Clerk Vorva to approve **Resolution #2018-04-24-18**, authorizing the appointment of Jack Dempsey to the Election Commission for a term expiring on November 20, 2020, and to authorize compensation in the amount of \$75 per meeting. Ayes all on a roll call vote, with Trustee Dempsey abstaining.

6. Appointment of Gary Heitman to the Charter Township of Plymouth Election Commission – **Resolution #2018-04-24-19** – Jerry Vorva, Clerk

Moved by Trustee Doroshewitz and seconded by Clerk Vorva to approve **Resolution #2018-04-24-19**, authorizing the appointment of Gary Heitman to the Election Commission for a term expiring on November 20, 2020, and to authorize compensation in the amount of \$75 per meeting. Ayes all on a roll call vote, with Trustee Heitman abstaining.

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7. Review of PARA Authority Agreement – Board of Trustees

Board members discussed at length suggested changes to the proposed Articles of Incorporation for the Plymouth Area Recreational Authority. Among items covered were whether to include other community recreation services as authorized under Act 321, number on the Board of Directors and how appointed/elected, continuation or termination of the agreement, and budget approval.

Don Soenen of PARC asked that voters research the facts beyond what might be presented on Facebook or in a robo-call.

Mary Weidel expressed her objections to the PARC proposal.

8. Update on Hilltop Golf Course Committee – Robert Doroshewitz, Trustee

Trustee Doroshewitz updated Board members on the work of the committee, lauding their efforts. The committee will be making a presentation at the next Board meeting, May 8.

**G. SUPERVISOR AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

Supervisor Heise reviewed agenda topics that will appear for May meetings, with the possibility of a special meeting on May 15.

Trustee Heitman commented on businesses being interested in moving into the Township.

Treasurer Clinton noted the auditors are due to arrive on May 1, and commended all in the Clerk and Treasurer's offices for their preparation and readiness.

Trustee Curmi had questions regarding preparation for contract negotiations, trees being cut at Red Olive restaurant in the DDA area, park lawn-cutting, and conflicts regarding the manhole project contract.

**H. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Darko Martinovski, contractor for the manhole project, spoke regarding the contract conflicts.

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Bill Carter congratulated the Board and expressed his appreciation for what they are attempting to accomplish in the community.

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. Ayes all.

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Jerry Vorva, Township Clerk

Minutes approved at Board of Trustees regular meeting of May 8, 2018.