

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2018**

APPROVED MINUTES - REVISED

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: Dan Phillips, Fire Chief
Thomas Tiderington, Police Chief
Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney
David Richmond, Spalding DeDecker
Cindy Kushner, Finance Director
Sue Brams, Executive Assistant to the Supervisor
Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary
20 Members of the Public

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Bill Carter

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Tuesday, October 23, 2018

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of October 23, 2018. Ayes all.

D. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

D.1 **Approval of Minutes:**
Regular Meeting – Tuesday, October 9, 2018

D.2 **Acceptance of Communications, Resolutions, Reports:**
Building Department Monthly Report – September, 2018
Fire Department Monthly Report – September, 2018
• Email from Tom & Jeanne Stevenson re: CPR Training
Police Department Monthly Report – September, 2018
Planning Department Monthly Report – September, 2018

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FOIA Activity – Clerk’s Office – September, 2018
FOIA Activity – Police Department – September, 2018

D.3 Approval of Township Bills:

FUND	ACCT	ALREADY PAID	TO BE PAID	TOTAL:
General Fund	101	449,362.15	79,592.11	528,954.26
Solid Waste Fund	226	2544.98	103,997.31	106,542.29
Improvement Revolving (Capital)	246	.00	.00	.00
Drug Forfeiture Fund	265	.00	.00	.00
Drug Forfeiture State	266	.00	.00	.00
Drug Forfeiture IRS	267	.00	.00	.00
Golf Course Fund	510	373.52	134.00	507.52
Senior Transportation	588	3767.30	200.00	3,967.30
Water/Sewer Fund	592	310,997.18	511,076.25	822,073.43
Trust and Agency	701	7,635.00	.00	7,635.00
Police Bond Fund	702	5,442.00	.00	5,442.00
Tax Pool	703	593,586.30	.00	593,586.30
Special Assessment Capital	805	.00	4,032.50	4,032.50
TOTALS:		\$1,373,708.43	\$699,032.17	\$2,072,740.60

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Chief Phillips responded to questions regarding the fire department monthly report and updated the board on the status of the pending order for the new fire engine.

Trustee Heitman pointed out a correction in the minutes of October 9, 2018 on Page 5. He noted he had recused himself in voting on his appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Moved by Trustee Dempsey and seconded by Trustee Heitman to approve the consent agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of October 23, 2018 as modified. Ayes all.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS (Limited to 3 minutes)

John Pilon of Harvest Drive, on behalf of his homeowners' association, discussed with Supervisor Heise and Attorney Bennett the possibilities and difficulties involved in ordinance change regarding short-term rental of homes, such as for a one-night rental in his subdivision which resulted in a large, wild party.

Becky Krupa questioned the use of the special edition of "Township Today" for pushing the public safety millage issue, and it was explained by Township Attorney Bennett, who had made prior review of the flyer, that resources can be used for explanation of millage issues, but not advocacy.

Copies of the Resolutions and Attachments listed below are available in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Establishment of Retiree Healthcare (OPEB) Trust Fund, **Resolution #2018-10-23-83**, Treasurer Mark Clinton

Treasurer Clinton indicated the desire to be proactive in establishing a Retiree Healthcare (OPEB) Trust Fund with the Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS) in anticipation of approval of the public safety millage. To comply with Public Act 202, a portion of the proceeds from this millage is to be set aside in a trust fund to fund future obligations. All deposits in the fund must be pre-approved by the Board of Trustees. He chose the option offered for one person to serve as the employee contact for the trust.

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Board members discussed whether there was any urgency in establishing the fund and concerns regarding the significance of designating eligible employee names in Section G of the Resolution.

Moved by Trustee Curmi to postpone the establishment of a Retiree Healthcare (OPEB) Trust Fund with MERS to a later date.

Motion died from lack of support.

Moved by Treasurer Clinton and seconded by Trustee Heitman to approve **Resolution #2018-10-23-83**, which allows for the establishment of a Retiree Healthcare (OPEB) Trust Fund with the Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS), appoints the Township Treasurer as the employee contact for the trust, with approval of the Board for investment recommendations, and authorizes the Township Supervisor to sign the attached MERS Uniform Resolution. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

2. Citizen's Advisory Council Environmental Stewardship Committee Presentation, Anita Yeager and Mary Ann MacLaren

Mary Ann MacLaren, on behalf of the Citizen's Advisory Council Environmental Stewardship Committee, reported on their findings and recommendations. Their visions include a clean, safe environment for residents; alignment of economic, social and environmental investments and benefits; and inspiration to strive toward a sustainable community. Their future efforts will include presentation of a plan.

3. EMS Requests for Proposals – Interviews by Board of Trustees*
 - Huron Valley Ambulance
 - Beaumont Mobile Medicine/Community EMS

** Board please bring hard copies previously distributed*

Representatives of both Huron Valley Ambulance and Beaumont Mobile Medicine/Community EMS made presentations to the Board and answered questions from both the Board and the public regarding their proposals.

The Board recessed briefly between the two presentations from 8:40 p.m. until 8:50 p.m.

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Supervisor Heise noted the next steps would be to wait until after the election to make policy decisions on what will be the face of transport and emergency response in the future.

4. Budget Discussion (if needed) – Board/Finance Director Kushner

Finance Director Kushner passed out additional material, and Board members discussed various aspects of the proposed budget with her.

G. SUPERVISOR AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Supervisor Heise apologized for the technical issues with the video equipment. He commented on the election material being mailed with misleading information and a fictitious address that gives an incorrect impression of being a government document. He has filed a complaint with the US Post Office because he believes it constitutes mail fraud.

Trustee Doroshewitz complimented whoever worked on the RFP for ambulance service.

Trustee Heitman also commented on his problem with the misleading material being mailed to voters mentioning Township Trustees.

Clerk Vorva commented that 5,837 absentee ballots have been issued, with a 41% return. His office will be open from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. the Saturday prior to the election, and absentee ballots will still be available until 4 p.m. the Monday prior to the election but must be voted at Township Hall.

Treasurer Clinton complimented the Clerk's office and volunteers on their hard work on the election. He also commented on the flyer which claims taxes will increase by 50%: If all three millages on the ballot passed, the taxes would only increase by a total of about 8% with a phasing-in process of 4% in December. Then, the next three years they will increase by 8% because the other increases will kick in.

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS (Limited to 3 Minutes) – There was none.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 p.m. Ayes all.

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Minutes revised and approved at regular meeting of Board of Trustees on November 13, 2018.