

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2019**

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: Dan Phillips, Fire Chief
Thomas Tiderington, Police Chief
Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney
David Richmond, PE, Spalding DeDecker
Laura Haw, AICP, NCI, Planning Director
Sue Brams, Executive Assistant to the Supervisor
Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary
15 Members of the Public

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Aaron Sprague, WTUA Executive Director

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Tuesday, April 23, 2019

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of April 23, 2019. Ayes all.

D. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

D.1 **Approval of Minutes:**
Regular Meeting – Tuesday, April 9, 2019

D.2 **Acceptance of Communications, Resolutions, Reports**
Building Department Monthly Report-March, 2019
Fire Department Monthly Report-March, 2019
Police Department Monthly Report-March, 2019
FOIA Monthly Report – Clerk’s Office, March, 2019
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D.3 Approval of Township Bills:

FUND	ACCT	ALREADY PAID	TO BE PAID	TOTAL:
General Fund	101	\$326,110.00	\$147,555.60	\$473,665.60
Solid Waste Fund	226	3,042.63	103,122.18	106,164.81
Improvement Revolving (Capital)	246	0.00	0.00	0.00
Drug Forfeiture Fund	265	0.00	2,521.00	2,521.00
Drug Forfeiture State	266	0.00	0.00	0.00
Drug Forfeiture IRS	267	0.00	0.00	0.00
Golf Course Fund	510	0.00	77.94	77.94
Senior Transportation	588	3,468.60	15.96	3,484.56
Water/Sewer Fund	592	221,719.30	15,976.58	237,695.88
Trust and Agency	701	27,645.64	0.00	22,645.64
Police Bond Fund	702	7,654.00	0.00	7,654.00
Tax Pool	703	0.00	0.00	0.00
Special Assessment Capital	805	38.01	7,926.50	7,964.51
TOTALS:		\$589,678.18	\$277,195.76	\$866,873.94

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to approve the consent agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of April 23, 2019. Ayes all.

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RECOGNITION OF INTERNATIONAL FIREFIGHTERS DAY

Supervisor Heise presented the proclamation recognizing International Firefighters Day on May 4 to Firefighters Adam Guinn and Nolan Gilo and Fire Captain Chris Mack.

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

John Stewart reminded everyone that the head of the Pure Michigan program, David Lorenz, will speak at PARC on May 15. He encouraged everyone to join the Y run on June 16. He also mentioned two patriotic concerts, June 29 and July 4, the Michigan Philharmonic and the Plymouth Community Band.

F. NEW BUSINESS

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

1. WTUA Swap Agreement, **Resolution #2019-04-23-43**, *WTUA Director Aaron Sprague and Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Aaron Sprague explained that this agreement addresses complicated issues by agreeing to swap service areas which are similar in size and quantity of flow. The parties involved are City of Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township, WTUA and Wayne County. Also addressed is assignment of capacity to the City with compensation to WTUA. Without the agreement, sewer separation would have cost millions of dollars and would have required the installation of some new sewer lines.

Moved by Trustee Curmi and seconded by Trustee Heitman to approve **Resolution #2019-04-23-43**, authorizing the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Sanitary Sewer Service Agreement by and among the City of Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Western Townships Utilities Authority (WTUA) and the County of Wayne. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

2. IFT Abatement Request from Webasto SE, at Schoolcraft Business Park, **Resolution #2019-04-23-44**, *Clerk Jerry Vorva, Planning Director Laura Haw and Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Provide opportunity for taxing authorities to comment on abatement request. There were none present.

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Jamie Roth of Hillside Investments and a representative from Webasto addressed the Board and answered questions. Some of the items discussed were clearing the site, the production of automotive roof systems for multiple customers, the addition of 441 new employees, and the use of Schoolcraft Road eastbound rather than Haggerty Road northbound.

Two letters were received in support of the project: one from David Schreiber, Business Development Manager of the Wayne County Economic Development Corporation, and the other from Stacy Bowerman, Vice President of Business Development Projects of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. Mr. Schreiber was present and spoke in support of the project.

It was determined that the taxes and water bills have been paid on the other Webasto properties in the township. Treasurer Clinton expressed concerns about the lack of proper reporting from agencies that currently have tax abatements; specifically Webasto.

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Trustee Curmi to approve **Resolution #2019-04-23-44**, granting a 12-year Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate to Webasto Roof Systems, Inc., for the land improvements and new building located at 14200 Haggerty Road in the Schoolcraft Business Park, as requested. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

3. Beck Road Hotel Project PUD Consideration, **Resolution #2019-04-23-45**
Planning Director Laura Haw and Attorney Kevin Bennett

Planning Director Haw reviewed the final site plan approval for Phase I as recommended by the Planning Commission, subject to considerations.

Leo Gonzales, representing the applicant, addressed the Board and answered questions.

It was noted that there are outstanding property taxes at the present time.

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Moved by Trustee Curmi and seconded by Trustee Dempsey to postpone Item 3, New Business, the Beck Road Hotel Project PUD Consideration, until the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees on May 7, 2019.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Doroshewitz, Heise, Vorva, Clinton, Curmi
NAYS: Heitman, Dempsey

Motion carried.

4. 2019 Park Projects Intergovernmental Agreement with Wayne County, **Resolution #2019-04-23-46**, *Supervisor Kurt Heise and Engineer Dave Richmond*

Board members discussed using funds for construction of an ADA-capable pathway at Township Park between the pavilion and Ball Diamond #4 (\$45,000) repair of the underground conduits and lighting for the pavilion parking lot (\$5,000 with \$8,000 donated by DTE) and \$25,000 to supplement the construction of a picnic pavilion at Miller Park in honor of late Trustee Kay Arnold (\$125,000 to be donated by her husband, Tim Doyle).

Supervisor Heise introduced Tim Doyle and thanked him for his generosity.

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to approve **Resolution #2019-04-23-46**, authorizing the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Interagency Agreement with Wayne County for Improvements to Township Park and Miller Family Park. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

5. Fireworks Ordinance Revisions, First Reading, Ordinance 1016, Amendment# 24, **Resolution #2019 -04-23-47**, *Attorney Kevin Bennett*

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Dempsey to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 1016, Amendment No. 24, for Fireworks Ordinance Revisions, **Resolution #2019-04-23-47**, and to schedule the second reading and adoption for May 7, 2019, to become effective upon publication. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

6. Historic District Ordinance, Second Reading, Ordinance 1016, Amendment #23, **Resolution #2019- 04-23-48**, *Trustee Jack Dempsey*

Moved by Trustee Dempsey and seconded by Treasurer Clinton to approve **Resolution #2019-04-23-48**, authorizing the second and final reading of the

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Plymouth Township Historic District Ordinance No. 1016, Amendment No. 23, to become effective on the date of publication in the Township's official newspaper. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

G. SUPERVISOR AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Supervisor Heise noted a special meeting on May 7, a regular meeting on May 14, and no meeting on May 28.

He also commented on decisions made in Lansing that increased business investment in the state, such as Webasto.

Trustee Doroshewitz asked that the issue of woodlands be revisited, balancing private property rights and the desire for business development. The current penalties are not severe enough to serve as a deterrent.

Trustee Heitman commented on his visit to Chemical Dynamics, a full-service paint and coating company.

He also expressed disappointment in the Board packet, receiving last-minute changes and missing pages.

Clerk Vorva thanked everyone for their prayers and well wishes during his recent cancer battle.

Trustee Dempsey asked about receiving a status report on the companies receiving tax abatements. He also asked about calling attention to defense contractors.

Trustee Curmi asked about receiving financial reports for the 35th District Court.

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

I. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Trustee Dempsey to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 p.m. Ayes all.

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Jerry Vorva, Township Clerk

Minutes approved at Board of Trustees regular meeting of May 14, 2019.