

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 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
Sandra Groth, Deputy Clerk
Sue Brams, Exec. Asst. to Supervisor
Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary
19 Members of the Public

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Dana Polehanki, State Senator

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Tuesday, August 27, 2019

Supervisor Heise asked that Item F (4), Employee Benefits Through MERS, be switched with Item F(5), AT&T METRO Act Permit Renewal.

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Trustee Dempsey to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of August 27, 2019 as amended. Ayes all.

D. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

D.1 **Approval of Minutes:**
Regular Meeting – Tuesday, July 23, 2019

D.2 **Acceptance of Communications, Resolutions, Reports**
Building Department Monthly Report - July 2019
Fire Department Monthly Report - July 2019
Police Department Monthly Report - July 2019

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Planning Department Monthly Report - July 2019
FOIA Monthly Report - Clerk's Office - July 2019
FOIA Monthly Report - Police Department - July 2019
Report from Election Commissioners

D.3 Approval of Township Bills:

FUND	ACCT	ALREADY PAID	TO BE PAID	TOTAL:
General Fund	101	\$1,162,491.13	\$93,842.27	\$1,256,333.40
Solid Waste Fund	226	7,965.59	103,431.49	111,397.08
Improvement Revolving (Capital)	246	0.00	0.00	0.00
Drug Forfeiture Fund	265	0.00	0.00	0.00
Drug Forfeiture State	266	0.00	0.00	0.00
Drug Forfeiture IRS	267	472.05	0.00	472.05
Golf Course Fund	510	0.00	0.00	0.00
Senior Transportation	588	11,174.19	1,548.80	12,722.99
Water/Sewer Fund	592	657,795.69	28,496.11	686,291.80
Trust and Agency	701	62,580.29	0.00	62,580.29
Police Bond Fund	702	13,306.00	0.00	13,306.00
Tax Pool	703	10,727.22	0.00	10,727.22
Special Assessment Capital	805	3,213.01	0.00	3,213.01
TOTALS:		\$1,929,725.17	\$227,318.67	\$2,157,043.84

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Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to approve the Consent Agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of August 27, 2019. Ayes all.

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

State Senator Dana Polehanki and Wayne County Commissioner Melissa Daub updated Board members on issues before their governmental units.

A resident of Red Maple Drive had questions and comments regarding a public safety matter involving a dog attack.

Renee McKarge asked about the Intergovernmental Agreement regarding the Litchfield Drive SAD project.

F. NEW BUSINESS

Copies of the following Resolutions are on file in the Clerk's Office for public perusal.

1. Phoenix Mill Brownfield Plan, **Resolution #2019-08-27-74**, *Planning Director Laura Haw*

Ms. Haw explained the details of the proposed plan for environmental remediation and site clean-up by developers Richard Cox and Greg Donofrio, known as "Critical Mass LLC". They plan to restore the former Ford factory and Wayne County storage yard building and site for a restaurant, banquet facility and public recreation area.

She noted the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority held a public hearing on June 10, 2019 and it was considered and approved by resolution to the Board for ultimate consideration.

Greg Donofrio addressed the Board and answered questions regarding the proposal.

Moved by Trustee Dempsey and seconded by Trustee Curmi to adopt **Resolution #2019-08-27-74**, authorizing the Brownfield Plan for the Henry Project (Phoenix Mill Redevelopment PC Application #23338-0519). Ayes all on a roll call vote.

2. Intergovernmental Agreement with Wayne County for Litchfield Drive SAD, **Resolution #2019-08-27-75**, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

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Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to adopt **Resolution #2019-08-27-75**, authorizing the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Interagency agreement with Wayne County for the Plymouth Notch (Litchfield Road) Special Assessment District Road Reconstruction Project. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

3. Fee Schedule Amendment Resolution, **Resolution #2019-08-27-76**, *Clerk Jerry Vorva*

Clerk Vorva and Cheri Palmarchuk of the Building Department explained being able to use processes established by Wayne County for recording documents on-line, and passing on the recording fees to contractors and developers.

Moved by Supervisor Heise and seconded by Trustee Heitman to adopt **Resolution #2019-08-27-76**, authorizing the addition of a \$35.00 administrative fee for document recording and to add this fee to the comprehensive fee schedule. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

4. AT&T METRO Act Permit renewal, **Resolution #2019-08-27-77**, *Attorney Kevin Bennett*

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to adopt **Resolution #2019-08-27-77**, to approve the METRO Act Permit Application renewal request submitted by Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T, subject to final approval of the Township Attorney of the Certificate of Insurance. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

5. Employee Benefits Through MERS (*Discussion Only*), *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Mr. Steve Mattar of Corporate Benefit Solutions gave a presentation regarding the Michigan Employee Retirement System (MERS) which currently administers the Defined Benefit Plan and some of the unions' existing Defined Contribution Plans. The Township hopes to consolidate the Defined contribution (401(a)), Deferred Compensation (457) and Healthcare Savings Plans in order to save substantial money for the employees.

Mr. Jeff Carless of Burnham & Flowers Insurance Group also spoke regarding the current insurance plans. He said they would also like an opportunity to make a presentation for Nationwide and John Hancock.

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Deputy Clerk Sandra Groth asked questions about the impact of implementing this process.

G. SUPERVISOR AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Supervisor Heise noted that a draft of the 2020 budget has been distributed. He indicated there will be a regular meeting on September 10 and 24 with a study session on September 17. There will be no meeting on September 3.

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

I. CLOSED SESSION

At 9:29 p.m. Trustee Heitman moved that a closed session be called for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations with labor attorney in accordance with OMA Section 8(c), MCL 15.268(c). Seconded by Clerk Vorva. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

J. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 10:24 p.m. Trustee Heitman moved that the board return to open session. Seconded by Clerk Vorva. Aye all on a roll call vote.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 p.m. Ayes all.

Jerry Vorva, Township Clerk

Minutes approved at Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of September 10, 2019.