

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 10, 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:** Patrick Fellrath, P.E., Dir. of Public Services  
Dan Phillips, Fire Chief  
Thomas Tiderington, Police Chief  
Ginger Moriarity, Finance Director  
Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney  
Jeremy Shrot, Spalding DeDecker Associates  
Sue Brams, Exec. Asst. to Supervisor  
Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary  
24 Members of the Public

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Trustee Robert Doroshewitz

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Dempsey to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of Tuesday, December 10, 2019. Ayes all.

**D. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

D.1 **Approval of Minutes:**

Regular Meeting – Tuesday, November 12, 2019

D.2 **Acceptance of Communications, Resolutions, Reports**

Building Department Monthly Report - November 2019

Fire Department Monthly Report - November 2019

Police Department Monthly Report - November 2019

Planning Department Monthly Report - November 2019

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FOIA Monthly Report - Clerk's Office - November 2019  
FOIA Monthly Report - Police Department - November 2019

**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>	\$1,297,166.47	\$373,910.28	\$1,671,076.75
Solid Waste Fund	<b>226</b>	151,599.08	409.95	152,009.03
Improvement Revolving (Capital)	<b>246</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00
Drug Forfeiture Fund	<b>265</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00
Drug Forfeiture State	<b>266</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00
Drug Forfeiture IRS	<b>267</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00
Golf Course Fund	<b>510</b>	134.00	3449.42	3,583.42
Senior Transportation	<b>588</b>	9,940.14	0.00	9,940.14
Water/Sewer Fund	<b>592</b>	1,603,152.59	401,544.03	2,004,696.62
Trust and Agency	<b>701</b>	61,252.13	0.00	61,252.13
Police Bond Fund	<b>702</b>	5,916.00	0.00	5,916.00
Tax Pool	<b>703</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00
Special Assessment Capital	<b>805</b>	15,928.25	31,057.25	46,985.50
<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>\$3,145,088.66</b>	<b>\$810,370.93</b>	<b>\$3,955,459.59</b>

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**E. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS (Limited to 3 minutes)** - None

**F. NEW BUSINESS**

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

1. MITC Brownfield Plan Public Hearing, *Supervisor Kurt Heise and Clerk Jerry Vorva*

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to open the public hearing on the MITC Brownfield Plan at 7:09 p.m.

Supervisor Heise explained the creation of the Michigan International Technology Center Redevelopment Authority (MITC) to fund cleanup of contaminated areas and build infrastructure improvements for redevelopment of the Five Mile Corridor between Napier and Beck Roads.

He introduced Dan Cassidy of SME Engineering and Patrick Ennis of the Michigan State Land Bank who addressed the Board and answered questions regarding the approval process of the Brownfield Plan.

There were no comments from the public.

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to close the public hearing on the MITC Brownfield Plan at 7:43 p.m.

2. Revocation of Verita "Site 3" Brownfield Plan, **Resolution #2019-12-10-108**, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Supervisor Heise explained that Verita has relocated to a site across the street from where they originally planned when a Brownfield Plan was adopted in September, 2018. The MITC is requesting revocation of the original plan as the site is being absorbed into the MITC Corridor Authority Brownfield Plan.

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to adopt **Resolution #2019-12-10-108** authorizing that the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees revoke the Brownfield Redevelopment Plan and all other related documents for "Site 3," 47500

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Five Mile Road, formerly known as the Verita Property, pursuant to the attached resolution, and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign any other required documents to further effectuate this resolution. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

3. MITC Brownfield Plan Adoption, **Resolution #2019-12-10-109**, *Supervisor Kurt Heise and Trustee Gary Heitman*

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to adopt **Resolution #2019-12-10-109** authorizing the Board of Trustees to approve the attached resolution approving the Michigan International Technology Center (MITC) Redevelopment Authority Brownfield Plan, and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign any other documents required to effect this resolution. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

4. Henry Ford Hospital Project PUD Amendments, **Resolution #2019-12-10-110**, *Planning Director Laura Haw and Attorney Kevin Bennett*

Supervisor Heise explained that the PUD of November, 2016 did not allow a medical office as a permitted use of the former Kmart property, as now is planned by Henry Ford Hospital.

Attorney Brian Amann, representing the developer of the property, addressed the Board and answered questions.

John Stewart, long-time resident, expressed his support for this facility coming to the community. He also noted that Mr. Amann has a widespread reputation for the highest credibility.

Resident Mary Weidel asked if there were other bids for the property.

Moved by Trustee Doroshewitz and seconded by Supervisor Heise that Trustee Doroshewitz be allowed to abstain from any discussion or vote on the Henry Ford Hospital PUD Amendments because of employment with a competitor building a similar facility a few miles away. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to adopt the revised version of **Resolution #2019-12-10-110** authorizing the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the first amendment to the Plymouth Marketplace PUD Contract, subject to final approval by the Township Attorney and the Community Planner. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

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5. General Drive Hearing of Assessment, *Public Services Director Patrick Fellrath and OHM Advisors Principal George Tsakoff*

At 8:16 p.m., it was moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to open the General Drive Hearing of Assessment. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Director of Public Services Fellrath and George Tsakoff, P.E., of OHM Advisors addressed the Board and answered questions regarding the project. Final design is complete and bids have been received and tabulated, and will be evaluated for responsiveness and contractor qualifications. A recommendation will be made in January. Funds from have been received from the State of Michigan to help pay for the project, with the remaining costs spread proportionately over the parcel land area in the district.

There were no comments from the public. However, Clerk Vorva received a letter of objection hand delivered this evening from a representative of the owner of General Court Commerce, LLC, 9165 General Court.

At 8:29 p.m., it was moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to close the General Drive Hearing of Assessment. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

6. Adoption of General Drive Reconstruction Special Assessment District (SAD) and Assessment Roll, **Resolution #2019-12-10-111**, *Public Services Director Patrick Fellrath and OHM Advisors Principal George Tsakoff*

It was moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to adopt **Resolution #2019-12-10-111** authorizing the establishment of the General Drive Reconstruction SAD No. (next assigned) and confirming the assessment roll as presented subject to providing a thirty (30) day period to permit any person having interest in the real property to file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal, and subject to the final approval of the Township Assessor. Ayes all on a roll call vote

7. 2019-2024 Collective Bargaining Agreement with Firefighter's Union, **Resolution #2019-12-10-112**, *Supervisor Kurt Heise and Fire Chief Dan Phillips*

Fire Chief Dan Phillips and Labor Attorney John Clark addressed the Board and answered questions

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Trustee Doroshewitz expressed concerns regarding paid time off and seniority as primary consideration for promotion.

Board members also discussed the role of the publicly-created Civil Service Commission in the hiring and promotion process.

Mary Weidel asked that the bargaining agreement be online for the public's perusal before approval. She also said she agreed with the comments of Trustee Doroshewitz.

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Treasurer Clinton to adopt **Resolution #2019-12-10-112** authorizing that the Board of Trustees approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Charter Township of Plymouth Professional Firefighter's Association, IAFF/Local #1496, for a term beginning April 1, 2019, and ending March 31, 2024, and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign same.

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

Motion carried.

*The Board took a break at 9:10 p.m. and returned to open session at 9:20 p.m.*

8. Fourth Quarter Budget Amendments, **Resolution #2019-12-10-113**,  
*Treasurer Mark Clinton and Finance Director Ginger Moriarty*

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to adopt **Resolution #2019-12-10-113** authorizing the amendments to the 2019 General Fund budget in the amount of \$46,900.00 and the 2019 Special Revenue Funds budget in the amount of \$1,840.00. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

9. Annual Designation of Depositories, **Resolution #2019-12-10-114**, *Treasurer Mark Clinton*

The recommended depositories for 2020 are Bank of Ann Arbor, Flagstar Bank, and Comerica Bank.

Moved by Supervisor Heise and seconded by Clerk Vorva to adopt **Resolution #2019-12-10-114** authorizing the proposed depositories for the Charter Township of Plymouth for Calendar Year 2020. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

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10. 2020 Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule, **Resolution #2019-12-10-115**,  
*Clerk Jerry Vorva*

The meeting schedule is as follows:

	<u>Study Sess.</u>	<u>Reg. Meetings</u>		<u>Notes</u>
January	7	14	28	
February	4	11	25	
March	3	*	24	*Primary
April	7	14	28	
May	5	12	26	
June	2	9	23	
July	7	14	28	
August	*	11	25	*Primary
September	1	8	22	
October	6	13	27	
November	*	10	24	*Election
December	1	8	*	*Xmas Wk.

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to adopt **Resolution #2019-12-10-115** authorizing the formal scheduling and publication of the Charter Township of Plymouth Board of Trustees meeting and study session schedule for Calendar Year 2020.

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

Motion carried.

11. Re-Appointments to ZBA (x3), **Resolution #2019-12-10-116**, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Moved by Trustee Curmi and seconded by Trustee Dempsey to adopt **Resolution #2019-12-10-116** authorizing the re-appointments of Michael Carlin and Don Schnettler to the Plymouth Township Zoning Board of Appeals for three-year terms expiring December 31, 2022; and to re-appoint Steve Bassett as alternate to the Plymouth Township Zoning Board of Appeals for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2022. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

**G. SUPERVISOR AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

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Supervisor Heise noted the next meeting will be a study session on January 7.

Trustee Curmi had questions regarding the Board of Review and the DPW land contract.

Member of the Board wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**H. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS (Limited to 3 Minutes)**

Pete Bukis of the Fire Department Local 1496 Charity Committee thanked the Board and the Township for their support of the pumpkin sale. He noted the purchase of \$400 worth of coats for West Middle School and they will be adopting a couple of families for Christmas.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Trustee Dempsey to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 p.m. Ayes all.

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Jerry Vorva, Township Clerk

Minutes approved at Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of January 14, 2020.