

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

Tuesday, July 14, 2020
7:00 PM

APPROVED MINUTES



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

PRESENT:

Kurt Heise, Supervisor
Mark Clinton, Treasurer
Jerry Vorva, Clerk
Chuck Curmi, Trustee
Jack Dempsey, Trustee
Bob Doroshewitz, Trustee
Gary Heitman, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT:

Dan Phillips, Fire Chief
Thomas Tiderington, Police Chief
Laura Haw, AICP, NCI, McKenna, Planning Consultant
Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney
Jeremy Schrot, PE, Spalding DeDecker, Township Engineer
Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary
13 Members of the Public

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Police Chief Thomas Tiderington

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of July 14, 2020. Ayes all.

D. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

D.1 Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting - Tuesday, June 23, 2020

D.2 Acceptance of Communications, Resolutions, Reports:

Communication from Trustee Jack Dempsey

D.3 Approval of Township Bills:

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FUND	ACCT	ALREADY PAID	TO BE PAID	TOTAL:
General Fund	101	926,826.63	154,003.33	1,080,829.96
Solid Waste Fund	226	6,720.46	854.49	7574.95
Improvement Revolving (Capital)	246			.00
Drug Forfeiture Fund	265			.00
Drug Forfeiture State	266			.00
Drug Forfeiture IRS	267			.00
Golf Course Fund	510			.00
Senior Transportation	588	7799.57	38.99	7838.56
Water/Sewer Fund	592	801,350.67	376,541.25	1,177,891.92
Trust and Agency	701			.00
Police Bond Fund	702			.00
Tax Pool	703			.00
Special Assessment Capital	805	35,657.76	.00	35,657.76

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TOTALS:		1,778,355.09	531,438.06	2,309,793.15
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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 July 14, 2020. Ayes all.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 3 Minutes) – There was none.

F. NEW BUSINESS

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

1. Public Hearing for Brownfield Plan for Hillside Residence Apartments, 41661 Plymouth Road (former Courthouse Grille site), *Clerk Jerry Vorva*

Moved by Supervisor Heise and seconded by Clerk Vorva to open the public hearing for Brownfield Plan for Hillside Residence Apartments at 7:05 p.m. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

There being no public comment, it was moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to close the public hearing for Brownfield Plan for Hillside Residence Apartments at 7:06 p.m. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

2. Consideration of Brownfield Plan for Hillside Residence Apartments, 41611 Plymouth Road, **Resolution #2020-07-14-63**, *Supervisor Kurt Heise, Planning Consultant Laura Haw, Township Engineer Jeremy Schrot*

Laura Haw, Township Planner; Jeremy Schrot, Township Engineer, and a representative from Renovare Development spoke on the request for Township consideration of a Brownfield Plan for environmental remediation and site clean-up for the property located at 41661 Plymouth Road (formerly Courthouse Grille). The PUD proposal is to build two 5-story residential structures (88 units) with covered parking located on the first floor of each structure on the site.

A geotechnical report has identified the presence of fill materials—including wood, glass and other debris, noting the existing soils are not suitable for support of the proposed building foundations.

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The Brownfield Redevelopment Authority considered the request on June 8, 2020, and their recommendation was contingent on further evaluation of the final figures. Both they, and the Township Engineer, had concerns over the cost estimates. Adjustments have now been made and presented in the plan, which has also been reviewed by the Township Attorney.

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Curmi to adopt **Resolution #2020-07-14-63**, authorizing Brownfield Plan approval for Application 2360-0520 for Hillside Residences. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

3. Consideration of Development Extension for Hillside Residence Apartments, 41661 Plymouth Road,
Resolution #2020-07-14-64, *Planning Consultant Laura Haw*

Ms. Haw reviewed the request for a second 6-month extension, which would allow the applicant to seek final development plan review from the Planning Commission on August 19, with Board finalization later. Their current extension ends on August 11, 2020.

A key component of the PUD option approval is the framing and transfer of the requested art pieces to the Township and the removal and transfer of the requested historic pieces to the Plymouth Preservation Network (PPN) by August 31, 2020.

Board members discussed with Mr. Jonna their hope for demolition of the building soon.

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Treasurer Clinton to adopt **Resolution #2020-07-14-64**, authorizing a second, and final, six-month extension to Application 2306-0918 for the Hillside Residences PUD project. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

4. General Technology Ventures Request for Vacation of Existing Public Utility Easement, **Resolution #2020-07-14-65**, *Township Engineer Jeremy Schrot*

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to adopt **Resolution #2020-07-14-65**, authorizing the Township to approve and record the vacated water main easement located a 78-062-01-0019-305, vacant land. Ayes all.

5. Modern Method Sanitary Sewer Easement (Parcel 1), **Resolution #2020-07-14-66**, *Township Engineer Jeremy Schrot*

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Trustee Doroshewitz to adopt **Resolution #2020-07-14-66**, authorizing the Township Clerk, Township Attorney, and Township

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Engineer to sign the sanitary sewer easement for Modern Method Construction Parcel 1, and to authorize recording of same. Ayes all.

6. Modern Method Sanitary Sewer Easement (Parcel 2), **Resolution #2020-07-14-67**, *Township Engineer Jeremy Schrot*

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to adopt **Resolution #2020-07-14-67**, authorizing the Township Clerk, Township Attorney and Township Engineer to sign the sanitary sewer easement for Modern Method Construction Parcel 2, and to authorize the recording of same. Ayes all.

7. Edward J. DeRose Sanitary Sewer Easement (Parcel 3), **Resolution #2020-07-14-68**, *Township Engineer Jeremy Schrot*

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Trustee Curmi to adopt **Resolution #2020-07-14-68**, authorizing the Township Clerk, Township Attorney and Township Engineer to sign the sanitary sewer easement for Edward J. DeRose Parcel 3, and to authorize recording of same. Ayes all.

8. Modern Method Sanitary Sewer Easement (Parcel 4), **Resolution #2020-07-14-69**, *Township Engineer Jeremy Schrot*

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Trustee Doroshewitz to adopt **Resolution #2020-07-14-69**, authorizing the Township Clerk, Township Attorney, and Township Engineer to sign the sanitary sewer easement for Modern Method Construction Parcel 4, and to authorize recording of same. Ayes all.

9. Annual Economic Development Update, *Trustee Gary Heitman & Planning Consultant Laura Haw*

Ms. Haw and Mr. Heitman gave a comprehensive presentation on economic development in the Township in the past year, covering new investment, significant reinvestment, quality of life measures, challenges and opportunities, and what the future holds.

10. 2020 Election Update and Resolution to the Secretary of State to Verify the Accuracy of the Voter Rolls, **Resolution #2020-07-14-70**, *Clerk Jerry Vorva*

Clerk Vorva informed the Board of the need to clear voter rolls of ineligible voters to prevent possible voter fraud. This has been made apparent by the mailing by the Secretary of States office of millions of Absentee Voter applications to limit exposure to

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the COVID 19 virus. He cited some recent occurrences which are currently being investigated.

Moved by Trustee Curmi and seconded by Trustee Doroshewitz that the Charter Township of Plymouth Board of Trustees requests the Secretary of State:

- 1) To comply with its duties under both the Michigan Election Law and the NVRA to remove from the Qualified Voter Files all persons ineligible to vote; and
- 2) Take other such measures as necessary to eliminate all voter fraud in the election in November of 2020.

Ayes all on a roll call vote.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 3 Minutes)

John Stewart had comments on how the creation of jobs spreads to other areas in the community, such as growth in residency and other businesses.

F. BOARD COMMENTS

Supervisor Heise indicated there will be no Board meetings on August 4 and 11, only on August 25.

Clerk Vorva noted that 8,000 absentee ballot request forms have been sent. He asked that his office be contacted by anyone who requested a ballot before July 1 and has not yet received it.

Trustee Doroshewitz referred to a complaint he has received about the dirty conditions of Beck Road.

Trustee Heitman reiterated the importance of returning census information.

Trustee Curmi had questions about how residents were notified of the sidewalk program cancellation.

G. ADJOURNMENT

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

Jerry Vorva, Township Clerk

Minutes approved at Board of Trustees regular meeting of July 28, 2020.