

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

Tuesday, September 8, 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
Tom Tiderington, Police Chief
Dan Kudra, Police Lieutenant
Ginger Moriarity, Finance Director
Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney
Natalie Bond, McKenna, Assistant Planner
Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary
12 Members of the Public

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Retiring Police Sergeant Steven Coffell

***POLICE SERGEANT STEVEN COFFELL RETIREMENT AND NEW SERGEANT
MICHAEL FRITZ CEREMONIAL SWEARING IN***

Chief Tiderington introduced Police Sergeant Steven Coffell who is retiring after 26 years with the department and Michael Fritz, who is being promoted to Sergeant.

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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Supervisor Heise asked that Item F.1, Senior Alliance Presentation, be removed from the agenda.

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Heitman to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of September 8, 2020 as amended. Ayes all.

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D. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

D.1 Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting - Tuesday, August 25, 2020

D.2 Acceptance of Communications, Resolutions, Reports

- Communication re FOIA Appeal
- FOIA Monthly Report - Clerk's Office - August 2020
- FOIA Monthly Report - Police Department - August 2020

D.3 Approval of Township Bills:

| FUND | ACCT | ALREADY PAID | TO BE PAID | TOTAL: |
|---------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| General Fund | 101 | 576,279.78 | 63,602.41 | 639,882.19 |
| Solid Waste Fund | 226 | 2,600.16 | 1,144.90 | 3,745.06 |
| 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 | .00 | .00 | .00 |
| Senior Transportation | 588 | 3,171.77 | .00 | 3,171.77 |
| Water/Sewer Fund | 592 | 43,535.12 | 561,803.71 | 605,338.83 |
| Trust and Agency | 701 | .00 | .00 | .00 |

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| Police Bond Fund | 702 | 1,250.00 | .00 | 1,250.00 |
| Tax Pool | 703 | .00 | .00 | .00 |
| Special Assessment Capital | 805 | .00 | .00 | .00 |
| TOTALS: | | 626,836.83 | 626,551.02 | 1,253,387.85 |

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to approve the consent agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of September 8, 2020. Ayes all.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 3 Minutes)

Billy Wright, a resident of the community, had comments regarding budgetary considerations for the Police Department and the Black Lives Matter movement.

F. NEW BUSINESS

Copies of ordinances, resolutions or attachments referred to below are available in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

- 1.** Senior Alliance Presentation, *Jason Maciejewski, Chief Advocacy and Planning Officer, The Senior Alliance*

This item was removed from the agenda.

- 2.** Repeal of DWSD Rules and Adoption by Reference of GLWA IPP Rules, **Resolution 2020-09-08-84**, *Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney*

Attorney Bennett explained the need for adopting the GLWA IPP Rules by reference into Article 3, Section II of the Water and Sewer Ordinance because a resolution previously passed cannot supersede an ordinance. An ordinance can only be superseded by another ordinance.

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Trustee Doroshewitz that the Board adopt **Resolution 2020-09-08-84**. This will constitute the first reading of the Ordinance to amend the Water and Sewer Ordinance. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

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3. TAR/IND Signage Regulations Text Amendments, Resolution #2020-09-08-85,
Laura Haw, Township Planner and Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney

Assistant Planner Natalie Bond spoke on the Planning Commission's recommendation to allow non-masonry bases for ground signs in Technology and Research Districts (TAR) and Industrial Districts (IND).

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Trustee Dempsey to adopt **Resolution 2020-09-08-85** authorizing approval of the text amendments to the Charter Township of Plymouth Zoning Ordinance No. 99 by amending Article 18: TAR, Technology and Research District and Article 19: IND, Industrial District, Signage Standards, as recommended by the Planning Commission. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

4. Demolition Ordinance Amendments First Reading, Resolution #2020-09-08-86,
Trustee Jack Dempsey and Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney

During the discussion of the proposed ordinance amendments regarding penalties for violation of the Township demolition regulations under the State Building Code, the following recommendations were made for Page 158 of the packet:

- A) To read "For residentially zoned properties, the fine shall be"
- B) To read "For commercial and industrial properties, the fine shall be....."

That the sentence "Each day a violation is committed or permitted to exist or continue shall constitute a separate offense." be removed.

Moved by Trustee Dempsey and seconded by Trustee Heitman that the Board adopt **Resolution #2020-09-08-86**. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

5. Police Department Purchase of Body Worn Camera Systems, Resolution #2020-09-08-87,
Police Lt. Daniel Kudra

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Curmi that the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees hereby approve **Resolution #2020-09-08-87** authorizing the Plymouth Township Police Department to purchase thirty Safe Fleet Mobile-Vision BWX-100 body-worn cameras out of Federal Forfeiture Funds and to authorize the Finance Director to appropriate fund balance amending the 2020 Federal Forfeiture Fund Capital Outlay Account in the amount of \$35,300. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

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6. In-Car Computers for Police Vehicles, Resolution #2020-09-08-88, Police Lt. Daniel Kudra

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva that the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees hereby approve **Resolution #2020-09-08-88** authorizing the Plymouth Township Police Department to purchase eight (8) Dell Latitude 5424 Rugged laptop computers, eight (8) Havis Laptop Screen Stiffeners and eight (8) Havis Laptop Docking Stations, and to authorize the Finance Director to appropriate additional fund balance amending the 2020 General Fund capital equipment account in the amount of \$5,200. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Police Chief Tiderington thanked the Board of Trustees for their continued support.

7. Loan Transfer Request for SAD Projects, Resolution #2020-09-08-89, Treasurer Mark Clinton

Moved by Treasurer Clinton and seconded by Trustee Heitman to approve **Resolution #2020-09-08-89** which will provide for the advance of funds from the Water and Sewer Fund to the SAD Fund in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 at an interest rate of 2% per annum on the unpaid balance. The Resolution will also adjust the rate of interest on the original 2013 cash advance from 4% to 2% on any outstanding balance retroactive to January 1, 2020. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

8. 2021-22 Budget Overview and Hearing Schedule, Supervisor Kurt Heise and Finance Director Ginger Moriarty

Supervisor Heise and Finance Director Moriarty reviewed the 2021-22 two-year draft budget and the tentative agenda for budget review and approval.

Moved by Trustee Curmi and seconded by Trustee Heitman to receive and file the documents presented at tonight's meeting. Ayes all

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

H. BOARD COMMENTS

Supervisor Heise noted the next Board meeting will be held on September 22. Mulch will be installed at McClumpha Park in late September or early October. May ask citizens to assist in making small repairs.

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Trustee Heitman urged citizens to wear their masks and socially distance to help prevent any rise in the number of COVID-19 cases.

I. CLOSED SESSION

At 8:31 p.m. Clerk Vorva moved that a Closed Session be called for the purpose of discussing a Written Legal Opinion rendered by the Township Attorney in accordance with OMA Section 8(h), MCL 15.268(h). Seconded by Trustee Heitman. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

J. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 9:08 p.m. Clerk Vorva moved that the Board return to open session. Seconded by Trustee Heitman. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Heitman and seconded by Clerk Vorva to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. Ayes all.

Jerry Vorva, Township Clerk

Minutes approved at Board of Trustees regular meeting of September 22, 2020.