

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

Tuesday, January 26, 2021
7:00 PM

APPROVED MINUTES



Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81743002692>

Dial-in number: 877 853 5257 (Toll Free)

Meeting ID: 817 4300 2692

CALL TO ORDER AT 7:01 P.M. by Supervisor Heise.

A. ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Kurt Heise, Supervisor
Mark Clinton, Treasurer
Jerry Vorva, Clerk
Chuck Curmi, Trustee
Bob Doroshewitz, Trustee
Audrey Monaghan, Trustee
John Stewart, Trustee

All were from locations in Plymouth Township.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Lead by John Stewart.

C. RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR REMOTE MEETING – Reviewed by Supervisor Heise

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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Moved by Supervisor Heise to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of January 26, 2021 as amended with the removal of Item G.5, Contract for Economic Development Coordinator Professional Services. Ayes all.

E. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

E.1 **Approval of Minutes:**
Regular Meeting - Tuesday, January 12, 2021

E.2 **Consent Agenda – New Business**

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- a. The Reserves of Plymouth Storm Drain Agreement, **Resolution 2021-01-26-05**, *Jeremy Schrot, Township Engineer*

E.3 Acceptance of Communications, Resolutions & Reports

- Fire Department Year End Report – January-December 2020
- Fire Department Thank You Note

E.4 Approval of Township Bills:

| FUND | ACCT | ALREADY PAID | TO BE PAID | TOTAL: |
|---------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| General Fund | 101 | 340,235.53 | 148,782.96 | 489,018.49 |
| Solid Waste Fund | 226 | 2,765.47 | 110,498.7400 | 113,264.21 |
| 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 | 3,339.09 | .00 | 3,339.09 |
| Water/Sewer Fund | 592 | 283,742.41 | 281,397.89 | 565,140.30 |
| Trust and Agency | 701 | .00 | .00 | .00 |

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| Police Bond Fund | 702 | 1,500.00 | .00 | 1,500.00 |
| Tax Pool | 703 | 1,993.36 | .00 | 1,993.36 |
| Special Assessment Capital | 805 | .00 | 147,323.92 | 147,323.92 |
| TOTALS: | | 633,575.86 | 688,003.51 | 1,321,579.37 |

Moved by Trustee Monaghan and seconded by Clerk Vorva to approve the consent agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting of January 26, 2021. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT (*Limited to 3 Minutes*)

Though the item was removed from the agenda, Duane Zantop wished to express his objections to the hiring of an Economic Development Coordinator although the person being considered is a friend of his. A response with expletives was deleted.

Clerk Vorva noted the receipt of e-mails and phone calls to his office with concerns on that subject from residents Bielows, Harris, and Callaghan.

G. NEW BUSINESS

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

1. Presentation by Chair and Vice Chair of the Environmental Leadership Commission – *Mary Ann MacLaren and Andrew Wolf*

Chair Mary Ann MacLaren presented the Mission Statement of the Environmental Leadership Commission and Vice Chair Andrew Wolf discussed the Accomplishments and Goals of the group pertaining to ELC Sustainability Values, Natural Systems and Resources, Transportation and Air, Solid Waste,, and Municipal Operations. They answered questions from the Board and invited attendance at their meetings on the fourth Monday of each month.

Supervisor Heise mentioned seeking their help with having the Township designated a "Tree City," becoming active on the Salem Township landfill issue regarding traffic and

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odor, working with Wayne County on improvements to Johnson Creek, and assisting with the renewal of the trash hauling contract.

Moved by Trustee Curmi and seconded by Trustee Monaghan to receive and file the presentation from the Environmental Leadership Commission. Ayes all.

2. Adoption of 2021 Prioritized Goals, *Supervisor Kurt Heise and Treasurer Mark Clinton*

Moved by Trustee Stewart and seconded by Trustee Monaghan that the Board of Trustees receive the prioritized goals for calendar year 2021. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

3. Charter Township of Plymouth Board of Trustees Public Meeting Rules for 2020-2024, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Moved by Trustee Stewart and seconded by Trustee Monaghan that the Board of Trustees approve the attached Charter Township of Plymouth Board of Trustees Public Meeting Roles for the 2020-24 Session. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

4. Contract with Community Foundation of Plymouth for Emergency Relief Fund, **Resolution # 2021-01-26-06**, *Supervisor Kurt Heise and Police Chief Tom Tiderington*

This would create an "Emergency Relief Fund" to be used to assist residents who are the victims of crime or fire, especially victims of domestic violence who need immediate shelter and food. It also could be used in the event of an on-duty loss of a Police Officer or Firefighter. A resident is making a \$20,000 donation to the fund.

Resident Don Soenen commented on what a good idea this is. Speaking also was Beth Meade, President of Canton Community Foundation, who will be the fiduciary for the fund.

Moved by Trustee Curmi and seconded by Trustee Doroshewitz that the Board of Trustees adopt **Resolution #2021-01-26-06**, authorizing the Township Supervisor to sign the attached Donor Fund Agreement with the Community Foundation of Plymouth creating the Township "Emergency Relief Fund" pursuant to the terms and conditions contained therein. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

5. Contract for Economic Development Coordinator Professional Services, **Resolution # 2021-01-26-07**, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

This item was removed from the agenda.

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H. PUBLIC COMMENT (*Limited to 3 Minutes*)

Gary Heitman and Duane Zantop commented on the pros and cons regarding the need for an Economic Development Coordinator.

I. BOARD COMMENTS

Supervisor Heise indicated there will be no study session on February 2, and he hopes the regular meeting on February 9 can be an in-person meeting.

Clerk Vorva informed Board members of the Township being randomly selected by the State for an election audit which was held on January 15. Also, bids will be received on Friday for the Township Hall sound system

Trustee Stewart noted that Friendship Station is open and drive-through hot meals are being served.

Trustee Curmi had questions regarding the I-275 rehab, Police Department accreditation, economic development, MITC website, Assessing Department, and searchability of ordinances and minutes.

J. CLOSED SESSION

At 8:19 p.m., Trustee Stewart moved that a Closed Session be called for the purpose of an Attorney consultation on specific pending litigation and settlement strategy in accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act, Section 8(e), MCL 15.268(8). Seconded by Trustee Monaghan. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

K. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 8:58 p.m., Clerk Vorva moved that the Board return to Open Session. Seconded by Trustee Monaghan. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Stewart and seconded by Trustee Curmi to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Ayes all.

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Minutes approved at Board of Trustees regular meeting of February 9, 2021.