

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

Tuesday, April 6, 2021
7:00 PM
APPROVED MINUTES



CALL TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor Heise.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Dan Phillips, Fire Chief
Dan Kudra, Police Lieutenant
Jeremy Shrot, Spalding DeDecker
Denisa Terrell, Recording Secretary

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –Cassandra Bulmer, Dispatcher

C. PRESENTATION & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT -National Safety Telecommunicator Week Proclamation was given to Cassandra Bulmer on behalf of all dispatchers and telecommunicators for handling 911 calls for Plymouth Township and Plymouth City.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Tuesday, April 06, 2021

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Doroshewitz to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees special meeting of April 6, 2021. Ayes all.

E. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

E.1 **Approval of Minutes:**
Regular Meeting - Tuesday, March 23, 2021

E.2 **Approval of Township Bills:**

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FUND	ACCT	ALREADY PAID	TO BE PAID	TOTAL:
General Fund	101	615,865.16	57,631.82	673,496.98
Solid Waste Fund	226	5,748.51	730.89	6479.40
Improvement Revolving (Capital)	246	.00	.00	.00
Drug Forfeiture Fund	265	.00	299.99	299.99
Drug Forfeiture State	266	.00	.00	.00
Drug Forfeiture IRS	267	.00	.00	.00
Golf Course Fund	510	.00	.00	.00
Senior Transportation	588	3,165.29	.00	3,165.29
Water/Sewer Fund	592	57,768.77	26,594.70	84,363.47
Trust and Agency	701	.00	.00	.00
Police Bond Fund	702	.00	.00	.00
Tax Pool	703	.00	.00	.00
Special Assessment Capital	805	.00	5,289.00	5,289.00
TOTALS:		682,547.73	90,546.40	773,094.13

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Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Treasurer Clinton to approve the consent agenda for the Board of Trustees special meeting of April 6, 2021. Ayes all on a roll call vote.



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

G. NEW BUSINESS

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

1. Public Hearing of Necessity for the 2021 Sidewalk Replacement Program,
Township Engineer Jeremy Schrot

Moved by Clerk Vorva to open the Public Hearing of Necessity 2021 Sidewalk Replacement Program at 7:03 p.m. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Clinton. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

Public Comments:

Paul Lickteig, 11072 Chestnut Drive-Is concerned that he previously replaced a section of the sidewalk in a prior sidewalk program and is now having to do so again due to a tree adjacent to the area. Mr. Schrot advised trees will be an issue and homeowners may consider contacting the county. Mr. Schrot also advised with the current program, the tree roots will be removed six inches below the sidewalk that is being replaced. Mr. Lickteig shared that he hired a contractor to complete some sidewalk repairs in advance. After a review of Mr. Lickteig's sidewalk, it was suggested that he consider raising a section of the sidewalk which would alleviate having to replace multiple areas in the sidewalk. Mr. Schrot indicated notes are being taken and a follow-up will take place to update replacement requirements.

Dave Macrum, 41451 Crabtree Lane- Stated he has to replace four areas of sidewalk which have prompted him to cut down a tree that is causing two slabs of sidewalk to be displaced. Mr. Macrum is concerned that the other two slabs have a slope as a result of the contractor hired by the township for the previous sidewalk replacement program. Mr. Schrot indicated there is a problem with the slope and compliance with the township ordinance. Supervisor Heise indicated the issue of the replacement will be taken under advisement base on the information shared. He also stated that he wants the engineers to go back out to review the area.

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Supervisor Heise moved to close the Public Hearing of Necessity 2021 Sidewalk Replacement Program. The motion was seconded by Clerk Vorva.

Board of Trustees Discussion:

Trustee Curmi- Suggested the use of Foaming Root Killer to eliminate issues from tree roots. He also suggested closely follow the directions of usage.

Trustee John Stewart-Wants better communication delivered to the township residents which will result in an understanding and a better quality of life and property values.

Ayes -Stewart, Vorva, Doroshewitz, Curmi, Clinton, and Heise

Motion passed.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:31 p.m. with all ayes on a roll call vote.

2. Sidewalk Replacement Program Contract Award, **Resolution #2021-04-06-25**, *Township Engineer Jeremy Schrot*

Mr. Schrot stated the contract award includes the sidewalk gap project previously affirmed for North Territorial, McClumpha, and Beck Road at Ann Arbor Trail ADA ramps with 2020 pricing throughout 2021.

Board of Trustees Discussion

Supervisor Heise shared that the mayor of Plymouth submitted a letter recognizing the importance of connectivity in the sidewalk gaps for the two communities.

Trustee Doroshewitz inquired on the cost per square foot and if there is a difference in grinding to replacement of the sidewalk slabs. Mr. Schrot advised grinding is a process that lessens the life of the concrete and it is not American Disability Act (ADA) compliant. He also stated the cost is \$4.50 for (4 inches).

Trustee Curmi asked about the cost of flag replacements. Mr. Schrot explained there are several cost differences based on size. The cost ranges from \$4.50 - \$5.70.

Treasurer Clinton requested clarification on the cost at Beck Road and Ann Arbor Trail as well as McClumpha. project. Mr. Schrot explained the area is in bad shape. Work will include extending the sidewalk, regrading, ADA requirements, detectible warnings, and replacements. Treasurer Clinton expressed reservations about spending \$175,000 on the project at the current time.

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Clerk Vorva expressed the projects received a commitment from the previous board of trustees along with the pricing from 2020 budget discussions.

Moved by Trustee Curmi and seconded by Clerk Vorva to approve **Resolution # 2021-04-06-25** the replacement of the non-compliant sidewalk flags, and the treasurer to assess the property owners for the work completed for the 2021 Sidewalk Replacement Program as well as approve the construction award for the sidewalk gap projects listed. Further, it is moved the finance director to appropriate \$75,100 of the general fund balance to the Roads/Traffic Department (101-446-970.00) Capital Outlay account for Sidewalk Gap Projects.

Ayes -Vorva, Stewart, Heise, Curmi, and Doroshewitz

Nays- Clinton

Motion passed on a roll call vote.

3. Hiring of Kenneth MacDonald as Plymouth Township Building Director, **Resolution #2021-04-06-26**, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Supervisor Heise recommended Kenneth MacDonald to fill the position of building director. The current building director, Mark Lewis will retire on June 4, 2021. Mr. MacDonald will start on June 7th with an initial salary rate of \$85,000 per year. He will serve a one-month probationary period and may return to the union position of building inspector. Mr. MacDonald started as a part-time building inspector. He has performed well in that capacity. The transition will require posting a full-time building inspector position.

Moved by Trustee Doroshewitz and seconded by Trustee Curmi to approve **Resolution #2021-04-06-26** authorizing the hiring of Kenneth MacDonald as the Plymouth Township Building Director at a salary of \$85,000 with full benefits available of the position.

Ayes -Vorva, Curmi, Clinton, Doroshewitz, Stewart, and Heise

Motion passed all Ayes on a roll call vote

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I. BOARD COMMENTS

Supervisor Heise noted the special meeting on April 6, is due to the sound system installation that will conflict with the regular meeting scheduled for April 13, 2021. The next regular board of trustees meeting will take place on April 27, 2021.

The assessing office will conduct a presentation as well as provide an update to the board of review.

EOTech Holographic Weapon Sight company will come before the board in the next meeting to request a tax exemption. The company purchased the building in the township for 3 million and spent an additional 9 million inside the building. There has been a conversation that a tax abatement should be considered due to the obsolescence of a building built in the 1980s.

In the April 27th meeting, Treasurer Clinton will present the idea of lease and sell of golf carts.

Trustee Curmi inquired if the changes on dogs at the township park discussion could take place at the next meeting. Supervisor Heise indicated he is meeting with the parks department to find out if changes are manageable.

Trustee Curmi also inquired about receiving financial data from 35th District Court. Mr. Heise advised information is forthcoming as a request for information has been submitted. It looks as though Supervisor Heise will be the chair of the 35th District Court Authority. There has not been a meeting in a year due to Covid

Clerk Vorva announced the retirements of Nancy Jowsey, administrative assistant in the fire department for 35 years, as well as Alice Geletzke recording secretary for 20 years.

Trustee John Stewart shared that Dominion election equipment allowed Clerk Vorva to process election results timely and with accuracy confirmed by multiple audit results. He further expressed his disdain for the domestic terrorist involved in the January 6, 2021, Washington D.C. and Lansing challenge to truth.

Mr. Stewart also offered accolades to Supervisor Heise for the great article in the Plymouth Today magazine, titled a Regional Bright Spot.

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ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Stewart and seconded by Clerk Vorva to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Ayes all.

Jerry Vorva, Township Clerk