

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

APPROVED MINUTES
Tuesday, October 26, 2021
7:00 PM



CALL TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Dan Phillips, Fire Chief
Thomas Tiderington, Police Chief
Dan Kudra, Police Lieutenant
Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney
Ginger Moriarty, Director of Finance
Jeremy Schrot, Township Engineer
Denisa Terrell, Recording Secretary
9 Members of the Public

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Steven Birmingham

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

Moved by Clerk Vorva and seconded by Trustee Monaghan to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees meeting of October 26, 2021, with amendments to reschedule State Representative Matt Koleszar and County Commissioner Melissa Daub.
Ayes all.

D. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

D.1 Approval of Minutes:

a) Regular Meeting -Tuesday, October 12, 2021

D.2 Approval of Township Bills:

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FUND	ACCT	ALREADY PAID	TO BE PAID	TOTAL:
General Fund	101	416,029.40	135,913.80	551,943.20
Drug Forfeiture Federal	262	.00	19,594.20	19,594.20
Drug Forfeiture State	265	.00	.00	.00
Drug Forfeiture IRS	266	.00	.00	.00
Improvement Revolving (Capital)	446	.00	.00	.00
Senior Transportation	588	2,840.85	9,333.39	12,174.24
Water/Sewer Fund	592	394,371.43	198,656.31	593,027.74
Solid Waste Fund	596	2,761.21	114,598.49	117,359.70
Tax Pool	703	4,899.38	485,805.38	490,704.76
Police Bond Fund	710	00	.00	.00
Special Assessment Capital	805	.00	.00	.00
TOTALS:		820,902.27	963,901.57	1,784,803.84

Moved by Clerk Vorva and supported by Trustee Monaghan to approve the consent agenda.

All Ayes.

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

Steven Birmingham shared various concerns about ongoing projects.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. State Legislative Update, *State Representative Matt Koleszar*-Removed
2. County Legislative Update, *County Commissioner Melissa Daub*-Removed

3. Annual Economic Development Update, *Economic Development Consultant Gary Heitman and Township Planner Laura Haw*

- Mr. Heitman and Ms. Haw gave a visual presentation defining the importance of Economic Development to Plymouth Township which included retaining businesses, strengthening the economy of the Township, job creation, quality of life, and tax revenue.
 - Supervisor Heise, Chair of the MITC Authority provided details of the MITC Authority which is the recipient of \$1 million in the 2022 budget from the State of Michigan. Approximately \$100,000 will be reimbursed to the Township's Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (BRA) that was spent on administrative overhead for MITC. He also provided details on MITC Authority projects referencing a map of areas in the Township.
 - Ms. Haw provided updates on Phoenix Mill, Courthouse Grille, and other residential developments.
 - Trustee Stewart announced he is hosting an economic summit on May 20, 2022. He indicated Michigan lost \$6 billion of economic development to Tennessee and Kentucky. He inquired what is being done to retain business in Plymouth Township. Mr. Heitman responded the best thing we can do is listen to organizations and be responsive. Supervisor Heise indicated the Township is accessible and responsive without bureaucracy.
4. Authorization to Issue RFB for Solid Waste Collection Services, *Supervisor Kurt Heise and Township Attorney Kevin Bennett*

Supervisor Heise advised he would like to prepare for a new waste hauler.

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The contract will be awarded in the summer. Cost is rising and bidders may have automation which is less labor-intensive which will drive a competitive rate. Bids will go out in November. Bids will be accepted by the Township Clerk on April 22, 2022. Pre-bid will take place on March 18, 2022.

Mr. Zantop indicated he is happy as well as neighbors with the current waste collection.

Moved by Clerk Vorva and supported by Trustee Monaghan that the Board of Trustees authorize the Township Supervisor to advertise for bids for a vendor of Solid Waste Collection Services pursuant to the attached request for bids.

Roll call vote.

All Ayes.

5. Request to Authorize American Rescue Plan Act Funding for Non-Public Safety Employees, **Resolution # 2021-10-26-68**, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Supervisor Heise advised most of the surrounding communities, laid-off employees, during the pandemic. Plymouth Township continued to work cooperatively to handle work at home and at the office while observing public health guidelines. Premium pay of \$1000 for full-time employees and \$500 for part-time will be extended to the non-public safety employees in the TPOA Clerical Union, the DPW Teamsters Union, our non-union staff, the Deputy Clerk and Treasurer, and department heads. Elected officials will not receive premium pay.

Moved by Trustee Stewart and supported by Trustee Monaghan that the Board of Trustees hereby amend the fiscal 2021 budget and recognize \$43,599 of the American Rescue Plan Act Grant award as revenue to authorize the awarding of monetary bonuses under the APRA Grant of 2021 pursuant to the terms and conditions listed in Resolution 2021-10-26-68, and to further authorize the Finance Director to appropriate \$43,599 from the Township's 2021 ARPA Grant for the expenditure in the 285 ARPA fund's wages and FICA account in the total amount of \$43,599 associated with these bonuses where applicable.

Roll Call Vote.

All Ayes.

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

There were none.


H. BOARD COMMENTS

- Trustee Monaghan extended gratitude to Mr. Heitman and Ms. Haw for the great presentation.
- Trustee Curmi requested selective enforcement on tinted windows. He would like to know what is being done to protect the Townships' I.T. from ransom and security invasion.
- Supervisor Heise indicated the next meeting is on November 9th. Bids for the auditor firm were taken. Plante Moran did not apply. There is a special meeting on November 16th to interview and approve the audit firm.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Stewart and supported by Trustee Monaghan to adjourn the Board of Trustees October 26, 2021 meeting at 9:05 p.m.

All Ayes.



Jerry Vorva, Township Clerk