

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES**

Tuesday, June 14, 2022
7:00 PM



CALL TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

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

Also Present: James Knittel, Police Chief
Dan Kudra, Deputy Police Chief
Ryan Conely, Fire Chief
Kevin Bennett, Township Attorney
Ginger Moriarty, Finance Director
Jeremy Schrot, Township Engineer
Denisa Terrell, Recording Secretary
76 Members of the Public

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chief Knittel

B. SWEARING IN OF POLICE CHIEF JAMES H. KNITTEL

An official swearing ceremony was conducted for Police Chief James H. Knittel by Clerk Vorva.

C. PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION HONORING RETIRING POLICE CHIEF THOMAS TIDERINGTON

Supervisor Heise advised former Chief Tiderington served as an awesome Chief of Police and the Township wanted to honor the service by issuing a Proclamation. The Proclamation will be forwarded to Chief Tiderington as he is out of town.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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Moved by Clerk Vorva and supported by Trustee Monaghan to approve the amended agenda for the Board of Trustees meeting held on June 14, 2022.

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All Ayes.

E. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

F.1 Approval of Minutes:

- a. Special Board of Trustees Meeting, May 3, 2022
- b. Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, May 10, 2022

F.2 Consent Agenda – New Business

- a. 50955 N. Territorial 20' Pathway Easement, **Resolution #2022-06-14-32**, *Township Engineer Jeremy Schrot*
- b. Inn at St. John's PUD Amendment (Pump House), **Resolution #2022-06-14-33**, *Township Engineer Jeremy Schrot and Township Planner Laura Haw*

Moved by Supervisor Heise and supported by Clerk Vorva to adopt Resolution # 2022-06-14-33 authorizing approval of the Second Amendment to the Planned Unit Development Contract for the Inn at St. John's Golf Course and Banquet Center (4405 Five Mile Road), subject to any necessary, modification identified by the Township Attorney.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Supervisor Heise, Clerk Vorva, Trustee Monaghan, Treasurer Doroshewitz, Trustee Stewart

Nays: Trustee Curmi

- c. Police Dept. Carpet and Painting and Homeland Security Task Force Window Coating Projects, **Resolution #2022-06-14-34**, *Assistant Police Chief Daniel Kudra*
Assistant Police Chief shared information on the requested renovations.

Moved by Clerk Vorva and supported by Trustee Monaghan to approve Resolution #2022-06-14-34 authorizing the Plymouth Township Police Department to purchase and install new carpet in the records section and administrative/

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detective bureau, repaint those areas and the Police Department lobby and have a tinted window coating applied to the Homeland Security Task Force Offices the DPW building for a total cost not to exceed \$40,000.00 from the State Drug Law Enforcement Funds' Land & Building Repairs account and to authorize the Finance Director to appropriate fund balance in the amount of \$40,000 to the State Drug Law Enforcement to pay for the projects.

Roll Call Vote

All Ayes.

d. Appointment of Jerry Vorva as the Board Representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

e. e. Appointment of Benjamin Eikey to the Historic District Commission, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Mr. Eikey shared his background and his interest.

Moved by Clerk Vorva and supported by Trustee Stewart to approve Benjamin Eikey to the Plymouth Township Historic District Commission for a term ending June 30, 2026.

All Ayes

f. Appointment of Kara Stoney to the Environmental Leadership Commission, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Kara Stoney answered questions from the Board and shared her background.

Moved by Trustee Stewart and supported by Trustee Monaghan to approve the appointment of Kara Stoney to the Plymouth Township Environmental Commission for a term ending June 30, 2026.

All Ayes

g. Re-appointments of Tim Boyd and John Itsell to the Plymouth Township Planning Commission, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Moved by Treasurer Doroshewitz and supported by Trustee Monaghan to approve the appointment of Tim Boyd and John Itsell to the Plymouth Township Planning Commission for a term ending June 30, 2025.

All Ayes.

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- h. Re-appointments of Mary Ann MacLaren and Joanne Lamar to the Environmental Leadership Commission, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Moved by Trustee Stewart and supported by Treasurer Doroshewitz to approve the appointment of Mary Ann MacLaren and Joanne Lamar to the Plymouth Township Environmental Leadership Commission for a term ending June 30, 2026.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Clerk Vorva, Trustee Stewart, Trustee Monaghan, Supervisor Heise, Treasurer Doroshewitz.

Nay: Trustee Curmi.

- i. Re-appointments of Wendy Harless and Sybil Hunter to the Plymouth Township Historic District Commission, *Supervisor Kurt Heise*

Moved by Trustee Stewart and supported by Trustee Monaghan to approve the appointment of Wendy Harless and Sybil Hunter to the Historic District Commission for a term ending June 30, 2026.

F.3 Acceptance of Reports

- Building Department Monthly Report - May 2022
- Fire Department Monthly Report - May 2022
- Planning Department Monthly Report - May 2022
- Police Department Monthly Report - May 2022
- FOIA Monthly Report - Clerk's Office - May 2022
- FOIA Monthly Report - Police Department - May 2022

F.4 Approval of Township Bills:

FUND	ACCT	ALREADY PAID	TO BE PAID	TOTAL:
General Fund	101	1,644,874.43	743,053.71	2,387,928.14
Drug Forfeiture Federal	262	.00	69,289.00	69,289.00

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Drug Forfeiture State	265	5,746.00	.00	5,746.00
Drug Forfeiture IRS	266	.00	.00	.00
Improvement Revolving (Capital)	446	.00	.00	.00
Senior Transportation	588	13,089.12	.00	13,089.12
Water/Sewer Fund	592	918,281.10	549,271.62	1,467,552.72
Solid Waste Fund	596	124,360.54	118,110.81	242,471.35
Tax Pool	703	.00	.00	.00
Police Bond Fund	710	00	.00	00
Special Assessment Capital	805	25,074.00	8,024.00	33,098.00
TOTALS:		2,731,425.19	1,487,749.14	4,219,174.33

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

Byron Bidis finds history interesting and asked questions on the Historic District Commission role in research of historic homes in the Township.

Beth Birmingham expressed that she is happy that Mary Anne MacLaren was reappointed to the Environmental Commission. She indicated the Commission is doing a good job.

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Don Shedner supports Dan Callahan for the appointment of Trustee.
Mr. Lablanc shared he was not available for interviews of candidates for Trustee at the previous meeting.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. Appointment of New Township Trustee, *Clerk Jerry Vorva*

Clerk Vorva opened polling from the Board of Trustee for nominations for the new Township Trustee. There was a deadlock in the nominations considering three candidates including Jennifer Buckley, Gail Grieger, and Dan Callahan.

Supervisor Heise stressed the importance of the Board of Trustees appointment of the trustee to avoid individuals that do not live in the Township appointing someone.

Moved by Clerk Vorva and supported by Trustee Curmi to postpone the appointment for the Township Trustee to June 21, 2022.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Trustee Curmi, Trustee Monaghan, Clerk Vorva, Treasurer Doroshewitz

Nays: Trustee Stewart, Supervisor Heise

Motion passed.

2. FY 2021 Audit Presentation and Approval, **Resolution # 2022-06-14-35**,
Finance Director Ginger Moriarty and Yeo & Yeo Principal Ali N. Barnes

Ali Barnes presented the Audit findings. She indicated the most significant spending is in Township safety, followed by General Government. The presentation addressed water and sewer, pensions, OPEB, and the Township financial picture. Ms. Barnes and Ms. Moriarty answered questions from the Board of Trustees. She recommended creating policies including the acceptance of credit card for payment for the future. Ms. Barnes thanked the Township and Ms. Moriarty in the audit process.

Moved by Supervisor Heise and supported by Trustee Stewart approve and adopt Resolution #2022-06-14-35 approving Audit for Fiscal year 2021 Financial Statement and Letters of Communication required by the State of Michigan by Yeo & Yeo and to acknowledge the receipt and file of the previously stated.

Roll Call Vote.

All Ayes.

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

Duane Zantop expressed concern that he has only seen Dan Callahan and Trustee Curmi at meetings of the Republican party.

Terry G wants an ordinance to eliminate obsessive bird feeding. Her neighbor has 14 bird feeders. Supervisor Heise indicated he encourages compliance.

I. BOARD COMMENTS

- Trustee Stewart expressed it was great to see the support of the new Chief of Police.
- Treasurer Doroshewitz shared he is preparing to send out tax bills.
- Clerk Vorva shared 11,000 absent voter applications have gone out. He explained a little over 5,000 applications have been returned. Ballots will be sent out on June 22nd. The Clerk's office has only received half of the ballots requested from the printing company because of the delay of getting the names on the ballot. He also explained new voters cards went out due to redistricting. Clerk Vorva also thanked Ms. Moriarty for doing an outstanding job on the audit.
- Trustee Monaghan congratulated Chief Knittel on becoming the Chief of Police and his family support. She thanked Treasurer Doroshewitz for sharing information through email. She also thanked everyone that came out and participated in the process in being considered as Trustee.
- Trustee Curmi inquired on the status of sidewalks in the City of Plymouth. Supervisor Heise indicated the project has hit a roadblock with the County.
- Supervisor Heise indicated it is the responsibility of the Board of Trustees to make the decision on behalf of constituents on who sits on the Board.

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J. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Stewart and supported by Treasurer Doroshewitz to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Trustees on June 14, 2022, meeting at 9:15 p.m.



Jerry Vorva, Clerk

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