

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING
FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2011
12:00 NOON**

Mr. Reaume called the meeting to order at 12:12 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Reaume, Supervisor
Joe Bridgman, Clerk
Ron Edwards, Treasurer
Kay Arnold, Trustee
Robert Doroshewitz, Trustee

ABSENT: Michael Kelly, Trustee, Excused
Steven Mann, Trustee, Excused

OTHERS PRESENT: Patrick Fellrath, Director of Public Utilities

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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Moved by Ms. Arnold, seconded by Mr. Bridgman, to approve the agenda for the Board of Trustees Special Meeting of Friday, April 22, 2011 as presented. Ayes all.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

F. PUBLIC COMMENT AND QUESTIONS

G. PUBLIC HEARING

H. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

J. NEW BUSINESS

1) Water System and 5 Mile Water Tower Updates

Patrick Fellrath, Director of Public Utilities, reviewed the corrective action plan to be presented to the City of Detroit prior to May 1 to prevent the substantial increase in wholesale water rates on the basis that the Township exceeded their contracted flow limits during 2010. He indicated the capital improvements recommended are control valves and pumping needed to optimize the usage of the 5 Mile water tower to be ordered and installed prior to the June 1 peak usage season. The permanent pumping solution will not be installed under later in the summer or early fall; however, the plan is to use rental pumps until the permanent pumps are installed.

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Two quotes have been received, with the quote from Hesco being recommended because they provide the type of valve currently used and they are familiar with the current system.

Township resident had several questions, which included the place of manufacture of the valves, the root cause of the problem, and whether a commitment has been made by Detroit to lower the rate hike. He recommended making a claim against whoever engineered the tank because it has not served its purpose.

Moved by Ms. Arnold, seconded by Mr. Edwards, to approve the expenditure of \$96,985.00 from the Water and Sewer Fund for the construction of the 5 Mile Road Tank Control Valve Structure consistent with the attached HRC cost estimate dated April 18, 2011. Ayes all.

A copy of the attachment is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

K. SUPERVISOR AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Mr. Edwards objected to the applicant not being allowed to speak at the Planning Commission meeting of April 20.

L. PUBLIC COMMENT

A member of the Hunter's Creek Subdivision had questions regarding why the valves were not originally installed in the water tower and whether Detroit's water increase is being legally challenged.

M. ADJOURN

Moved by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Ms. Arnold, to adjourn the meeting at 12:39 p.m. Ayes all.

Joseph Bridgman, MMC
Township Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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