

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI
MINUTES OF THE MAY 23, 2023 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Supervisor Brenda Stumbo called the meeting to order at approximately 4:30pm in the Ypsilanti Township Civic Center Board Room, 7200 S. Huron River Drive, Ypsilanti Township.

Members Present: Supervisor Brenda Stumbo, Clerk Heather Jarrell Roe and Treasurer Stan Eldridge
Trustees: Ryan Hunter, John Newman II, Gloria Peterson and Debbie Swanson

Members Absent: None

SPECIAL BUSINESS

1. RESOLUTION 2023-07 OF INTENT FOR THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI TO ALLOCATE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS

A motion was made by Clerk Jarrell Roe and supported by Treasurer Eldridge to approve Resolution 2023-07

Trustee Newman asked for clarification about the road agreement mentioned in the resolution. It was explained by Supervisor Stumbo that the agreement would come back to the board for approval, and the recommendations are being provided by OHM. She also clarified that the funds are for local roads, not primary roads.

Trustee Swanson asked for clarification about item 16 within the resolution regarding remaining dollars going towards roads, and also wanted to know what would happen if anything went over budget.

Supervisor Stumbo clarified that approval of all projects will come back to this board. If a project is over budget, the township could match it.

Trustee Swanson then asked if at another regularly scheduled meeting, the resolution could be brought back to help further inform the residents. She said she understood why the special meeting was called but the ARPA Committee intended to share their findings publicly.

Supervisor Stumbo said it would be fine to bring the resolution back as a work session item.

Clerk Jarrell Roe added to Trustee Swanson's sentiments and read the ARPA Committee memo from the packet into the record.

Trustee Hunter thanked Congresswoman Dingell and then asked clarification that the Barrier Busters funding would only be used for Ypsilanti Township residents.

Clerk Jarrell Roe explained that a contract would be brought back similar to other municipalities that contribute to Barrier Busters, and those specifics would be included.

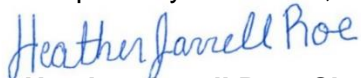
Supervisor Stumbo elaborated on Barrier Buster services and stated that the goal is always to lift residents up and to help our community thrive.

There were no additional questions.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:54pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



**Heather Jarrell Roe, Clerk
Charter Township of Ypsilanti**

Charter Township of Ypsilanti

RESOLUTION 2023-07

Resolution of Intent for the Charter Township of Ypsilanti to allocate American Rescue Plan Act funds

WHEREAS, on **March 11th 2021** the President Joseph Biden signed the American Rescue Plan Act into law. The American Rescue Plan provided Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to jurisdictions and

WHEREAS, Ypsilanti Township has received American Rescue Plan funds in the amount of 9,439,025.00 and,

WHEREAS, on January 6th 2022 the Department of Treasury released The Final Rule that took effect on April 1, 2022, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Treasury states in The Final Rule that funds must be obligated by December 31,2024 and expended by December 31, 2026, and

WHEREAS, recipients receiving less than \$10M, can elect a standard allowance for “Revenue Loss” and use the full award for “government services” such as: Township hall and facility construction, renovations and expansions; Township facility equipment, systems and upgrades, including ventilation, security systems and features, parking lot paving, etc.; Emergency services vehicles, and purchase for public safety departments such as personal protection equipment and turnout gear; Township maintenance vehicles; Parks and recreation facilities, maintenance, expansion, etc; Computer equipment; Road projects; Recycling services; Election equipment, including ballot drop boxes; Feasibility studies; and Matching fund for non-federal programs, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Treasury presumes lost revenue of each local jurisdiction to be a standard of \$10,000,000.00, the Ypsilanti Township Board of Trustees is choosing to invest the dollars into the community, rather than claim any lost revenues, and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Stumbo was advised and is thankful for Congress Woman Debbie Dingell alerting the township to make immediate allocation to avoid losing ARPA dollars, and

WHEREAS, Ypsilanti Township Board of Trustees has a master plan, along with a park and recreation plan that identifies goals and objectives for improvement and growth, and

WHEREAS, Ypsilanti Township Board of Trustees has expended \$237,633.53 to date for personal protection equipment such as masks, gloves, and COVID test kits, to protect the community from the further spread of COVID-19. The township board of trustees delivered these items directly to households, non-profits, churches and businesses. These resources are still available today at the Civic Center and Community Center, and

WHEREAS, Ypsilanti Township Board of Trustees ARPA subcommittee identified the top focus areas as being; health and wellness, community gathering areas, infrastructure improvements, environmentally friendly practices and safety, and

WHEREAS, Ypsilanti Township Park Commission and Board of Trustees has previously adopted the 2040 Master Plan and (adopted March, 2020) and the Parks and Recreation Plan (adopted January, 2019) where several projects were identified.

NOW, THEREFORE THE YPSILANTI CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES HEREBY RESOLVES AND AUTHORIZES THE USE OF ARPA FUNDS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

1. Road improvement and storm water management as recommended by OHM in partnership with the Washtenaw County Road Commission in the amount of \$2,800,392.00
2. Upgrade the remaining community lights from high pressure sodium to LED lighting in the amount of \$650,000.00
3. Park improvements to West Willow Neighborhood Park in the amount of \$350,000.00
4. Park improvements to Burns Park in the amount of \$250,000.00
5. Renovations to the community center bathrooms and replaced galvanized piping in the amount of \$737,000.00.
6. Play surface replacement to Ford Heritage Park in the amount of \$165,000.00

7. Hydro Dam safety projects that are required by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in the amount of \$680,000.00
8. Two buses for 50 and Beyond and Youth Programing in the amount of \$225,000.00
9. Bathroom facilities at Ford Heritage Park and Green Oaks Golf Course in the amount of \$800,000.00.
10. Installation of LED lights at ball fields 3 and 4 located on Clark Rd in the amount of \$354,000.00.
11. Provide Barrier Busters funding for Ypsilanti Township Residents in the amount of \$450,000.00
12. Park shelter replacements at Ford Lake and Lakeside parks in the amount of \$600,000.00
13. Improvements to the Community Resource Center located at 2057 Tyler Rd. in the amount of \$40,000.00.
14. Civic Center Pond Lining in the amount of \$350,000.00
15. Civic Center parking lot and water main replacement \$750,000.00
16. Once all projects identified above are approved and completed, any remaining funds shall be put towards an additional agreement with the Washtenaw County Road Commission for local road funding.

I, Heather Jarrell Roe, Clerk of the Charter Township of Ypsilanti, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan hereby certify the above resolution is a true and exact copy of Resolution No. 2023-07 approved by the Charter Township of Ypsilanti, Board of Trustees assembled at a Special Meeting on May 23rd, 2023.



Heather Jarrell Roe, Clerk
Charter Township of Ypsilanti