

Plymouth PULSE

City of Plymouth 201 S. Main St. Plymouth, MI 48170 734-453-1234 http://plymouthmi.gov

### December 2023

## **City Commission Members Sworn In**



Judge Michael Gerou swears in Suzi Deal as mayor. Deal was elected mayor and O'Donnell was elected mayor pro tem.

Incumbents Suzi Deal, Linda Filipczak, and Kellly O'Donnell, along with newcomer Brock Minton, were sworn in as City Commissioners at a meeting on November 13. They joined Jennifer Kehoe, Alanna Maguire and Nick Moroz, whose terms have not yet expired. Marques Thomey did not seek re-election.

The Plymouth City Charter directs that once the new Commission is sworn in, its members elect the mayor and mayor pro tem.

The Plymouth City Commission was established by charter in July of 1951. All legislation and policies in the city are determined by the City Commission, and its members are responsible for adopting ordinances, resolutions, the budget, and the tax rate. They also oversee the other boards and commissions in the city, including the Cemetery Board, the Downtown Development Authority, the Historic District Commission, the Planning Commission, and the Zoning Board of Appeals. Residents are invited to apply for these boards and commissions by contacting City Clerk Maureen Brodie at mbrodie@plymouthmi.gov.

## **Holiday Hours**

ty offices are open from 8-4:30 M-F with the following exceptions:

Opening late at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, December 15 Closed on Monday, December 25 and Tuesday, December 26 Closed on Monday, January 1 and Tuesday, January 2

# Let it Snow!

It's not everyone's favorite time of year, but City of Plymouth residents and visitors have the benefit of our Department of Municipal Services crew members' committment to excellence. A combination of salt, brine, and snow plows generally keep our roads among the clearest in the area after a winter weather event.

The DMS plows when the snowfall is four inches or more. It's important to remember that the effectiveness of the snow plow is impacted greatly by residents, contractors and business owners' actions. Do not push, blow, plow, throw or otherwise place the snow in the street. Most importantly for the efficiency of our plows, do not push snow back into the street after the plow has been down your street. Pushing snow into the street is against our code of ordinances, and will be strictly enforced. The minimum bill for each offense is \$200.

Property owners must ensure that their sidewalks are clear within 24 hours of the end of snowfall. Promptly remove all snow and ice so you and your neighbors can safely walk throughout the City and to limit your liability in the case of an accident. Please remove snow from edge to edge and from property line to property line including the entire approach to any crosswalks.

Failure to maintain your sidewalks in a safe condition will result in the City removing the snow and/or ice and billing you for the removal. The minimum billing for the first offense is \$150.00, the minimum billing for the second offense is \$200.00, and the minimum billing for the third and any subsequent offense is \$250.00.



# **Please Come! Everyone is Welcome!**



# Taking PLYNOUTH to the next level



ASSESSESSING OUR VALUES WORKING COOPERATIVELY ACCEPTING CHANGE AVOIDING COMPLACENCY BUILDING STRONG COMMUNITY ATTRACTING NEW BUSINESSES

This City of Plymouth presentation is free and open to residents, business owners and everyone who wants to help our community thrive.

# December 5, 2023

Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer St. Plymouth, MI

Meet & greet and appetizers at 6:30 p.m. Presentation begins at 7:00 p.m.



**Doug Griffiths** Author of 13 Ways to Kill Your Community

Doug identifies challenges and opportunities that all communities face. His talents include seeing through the lies we tell ourselves, overcoming bad attitudes, communicating with those who are afraid to change, and building enduring prosperity for communities. His passion lies in building strong communities, because within strong communities leadership can succeed, businesses can prosper, and families can find a great quality of life. Read more at www.13ways.ca.

For more information 734-453-1234 ext. 203



## City of Plymouth Recreation Department 525 Farmer St. - 734-455-6620 - recreation@plymouthmi.gov



# Holidary Decorating Contests TWO CONTESTS

- "Griswold" Award Best Outdoor House / Residence Decoration Display
- "Charlie Brown" Award Best Decorated Holiday / Christmas Tree

# **CONTEST RULES / INFORMATION**

- Participants must be a City of Plymouth resident
- Entries must be emailed to bszachta@plymouthmi.gov by Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>; No registration required
- Voting will take place on the City of Plymouth social media pages from December 11<sup>th</sup> to December 21<sup>st</sup>
  - 1 like = 1 vote

**GIFT CARD** 

PRIZES

- Winners will be announced on Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Gift card prizes for each winner!

# 2024 Dog Licenses Now Available

If your dog gets out and decides to make a run for it, chances are someone will be able to lure it with a tasty treat and try to find its owner. One way to help facilitate a timely reunion is to get a dog license. Owners are required to purchase a license for dogs in the City of Plymouth that are older than four months. The license fee is \$5 if you purchase or renew your license before it expires on December 31, or \$10 after that date.

You may apply with a current rabies certificate in person, by mail or online complete information is available on our website at plymouthmi.gov/doglicense.

# Water Meter Replacement

All homes and businesses in the City of Plymouth are required to have their water meters replaced. If you haven't already done so, please make an appointment with the Department of Municipal Services at 734-453-7737. City of Plymouth staff members will perform the replacement, and it takes about 15 minutes.

# Save a Trip! Sign up for E-Billing

Electronic billing not only helps the City save resources and the environment, but also makes paying utility bills much easier. Residents are able to both receive and pay their utility bills electronically. Please feel free to contact the City with any questions at (734) 453-1234 or via email at ebill@plymouthmi.gov.

# **Traveling Over the Holidays?**

If you plan to be away from your home, you may submit a request to the police department for a vacation check. Simply visit the website at https://www.frontlinepss.com/plymouthmi and enter your information. Time permitting, officers will make regular checks to ensure all is secure while you are gone.

If you are having overnight visitors, remember that street parking is not allowed between the hours of 3 a.m. to 6 a.m. You may, however, request a temporary permit for your visitors at the website above. Street parking permits are not valid during a snow emergency.

# Christmas Tree Disposal

When you're ready to dispose of your Christmas tree, please place it at the curb. City crews will pass through the neighborhoods and run trees through the chipper.

Please ensure that trees are free of lights and ornaments and that they are not bagged.

# Passport Services at City Hall

The City of Plymouth provides passport services for NEW Passport applications from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. An appointment is required. Please visit plymouthmi.gov/passport for more information and to schedule an appoointment. A visa may be required for certain countries. Visit travel.state.gov for more information.



## **City of Plymouth**



Through Jan. 2 Walk of Trees at Kellogg Park

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December 2 & 3 Ski & Snowboard Swap at the Gathering Saturday 9-6, Sunday 11-5

December 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23 Santa Visits the Historical Museum Caboose 1-4 p.m.

December 7-8 Christmas in Plymouth & Mistletoe Market 5-9 p.m.

December 10 Worldwide Candlelighting at Kellogg Park 7 p.m.

December 16 Wreaths Across America - Riverside Cemetery noon

Come & Enjoy

# Winter Tax Bills in the Mail

Winter tax bills are in the mail and are payable from December 1, 2023 through February 28, 2024, without penalty. No City of Plymouth taxes are included in the winter bill. Your winter bill includes the tax levies for:

- Wayne County Millage
- Detroit Institute of Arts
- Plymouth District Library
- Wayne County Jail
- Wayne County Parks
- Detroit Regional Zoo
- Huron Clinton Metro Authority

You may mail your payment or pay in person at City Hall Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. After hours, you may use in the drop box located in the Church Street entrance of City Hall or in the drive-through payment drop box at the Plymouth District Library. Both of these drop boxes are available 24/7.

## **Book Your Holiday Party at the Cultural Center!**



## STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY

Hold hybrid, in-person and online business or group meetings effortlessly with our large screen, high speed Internet, and brand new audio and two-way video capabilities.

### FLEXIBILITY

Rooms can be set up in banquet or classroom style with either round, long, or a combination of both tables. We can help arrange catering, or you may bring your own food. Alcohol service is also available.

# HOLD YOUR MEETINGS, RECEPTIONS AND PARTIES AT THE **PLYMOUTH CULTURAL CENTER**



## BANQUET ROOM

Perfect for large meetings, receptions and parties, the banquet room features a stage and dance floor, remodeled restrooms, as well as a catering kitchen and full liquor service.

#### MEETING ROOM

The smaller meeting room seats up to 50 people for meetings and parties.

PLYMOUTH CULTURAL CENTER 525 FARMER ST. PLYMOUTH, MI 734-455-6620 HTTPS://PLYMOUTHMI.GOV/ROOMRENTALS



## **Cornhole Champions**



Children of the Corn

Thursday - Competitive





Margrave







**Congratulations to Head** Coach Bill Brenner and the **Plymouth City Panthers 14** for finishing first in the U10 Boys Select Division 4 of the Western Suburban Soccer League!



Congratulations to Head Coach Megan Pline, Asst. Coach Kristy Smyth, and the Plymouth City Shock 15 for finishing 1st in the **U9** Girls Rec Division Red of the Western Suburban Soccer League!

## **Open Skating at the Plymouth Cultural Center**

**Mondays and Thursdays** 11:50 a.m. – 1:20 p.m. Sundays 7:00 p.m. -8:20 p.m. Adults - \$5.00 Under 16 & Over 55 - \$4.00 Skate Rental - \$2.00

There is a limited number of sizes and quantities of rental skates. Arena equipment may be used on a first come, first served basis and may not be reserved.

# **December Board and Commission Meetings**

City Commission - Monday, December 4, 2023- 7 p.m. In-person at Plymouth City Hall with Zoom access for the public https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87846296966 Passcode: 636201 Webinar ID: 878 4629 6966

Historic District Commission - Wednesday, December 6, 2023 - 7 p.m. In-person at Plymouth City Hall with Zoom access for the public https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83078436431 Passcode: 230262 Webinar ID: 830 7843 6431

Zoning Board of Appeals -Thursday, December 7, 2023 In-person at Plymouth City Hall with Zoom access for the public https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81348815763 Passcode: 623775 Webinar ID: 813 4881 5763

Downtown Development Authority - Monday, December 11, 2023 - 7 p.m. In-person at Plymouth City Hall with Zoom access for the public https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83268819473 Passcode: 173258 Webinar ID: 832 6881 9473

Planning Commission - Wednesday, December 13, 2023 - 7 p.m. In-person at Plymouth City Hall with Zoom access for the public https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84641307980 Passcode: 540592 Webinar ID: 846 4130 7980

City Commission Meeting - Monday, December 18 2023 - 7 p.m. In-person at Plymouth City Hall with Zoom access for the public https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85838447810 Passcode: 709711 Webinar ID: 858 3844 7810

# AGENDA PACKETS FOR ALL BOARD AND COMMISSION MEETINGS ARE POSTED IN THE AGENDA CENTER OF OUR WEBSITE AT PLYMOUTHMI.GOV.



# **November Board & Commission Synopses**

<u>Historic District Commission - November 1, 2023 -</u> H23-05 380 S. Main, Fiamma: Paint color change and reskin awning - approved H 23-06 306 S. Main, The Ledger: Signage- approved

Zoning Board of Appeals -November 2, 2023 - canceled

<u>City Commission – November 6, 2023</u> NEW BUSINESS

- a. Intergovernmental Agreement Oakland County CLEMIS Police Program approved
- b. Police Radio Purchase approved
- c. Water Meter Replacement Policy approved
- d. 1st Quarter Budget Amendments approved

<u>Planning Commission -November 8, 2023</u> OLD BUSINESS Master Plan Discussion - no action Generator Ordinance Discussion - no action

<u>City Commission –November 13, 2023</u> Oath of Office for Elected Commissioners Election of Mayor Oath of Office for Mayor Election of Mayor Pro-tem Oath of Office for Mayor Pro-tem Adoption of Rules & Order of Business Adoption of Regular Meeting Schedule

<u>City Commission -November 19, 2023</u> CONSENT AGENDA a.Approval of October 2023 Bills b.Special Event: Wreaths Across America – Saturday December 16, 2023



#### **NEW BUSINESS**

a.Annual County Right of Way Maintenance Permits A-24119 & A-2406 - approved b.Authorization to Hire – Municipal Services Department - approved c.Authorization to Hire – Recreation Department - approved





## City of Plymouth 2024 Regular Meeting Schedule

Meetings may be held via Zoom.us and/or livestreamed on social media. Please check City website for Zoom.us meeting links, livestream information, meeting cancellations or other changes. <u>www.plymouthmi.gov</u>

#### City Commission: First and third Monday of month unless otherwise indicated. Meetings that fall on a State observed

holiday are held on the	next day that is no	ot a holiday.					
January 3, 2024 (We	d) April 1,	2024	July 1, 2024	October 7, 2	2024		
January 16, 2024 (Tu	es) April 1	5, 2024	July 15, 2024	October 21,	October 21, 2024		
February 5, 2024	May 6,	2024	August 5, 2024	November 4	November 4, 2024		
February 20, 2024 (Tu	ies) May 20	), 2024	August 19, 2024	November 1	November 18, 2024		
March 4, 2024	June 3	, 2024	September 3, 2024	(Tues) December 2	December 2, 2024		
March 18, 2024	June 1	7, 2024	September 16, 2024	December 1	December 16, 2024		
Downtown Developme	nt Authority: Seco	nd Monday of mo	onth unless otherwise	indicated			
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February 12, 2024	April 8, 2024	June 10, 2024	August 12, 2024	October 14, 2024	December 9, 2024		
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February 7, 2024	April 3, 2024	June 5, 2024	August 7, 2024	October 2, 2024	December 4, 2024		
Planning Commission:	Second Wednesda	ay of month unles	s otherwise indicated				
January 10, 2024	*		July 10, 2024	September 11, 2024	November 13, 2024		
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February 1, 2024	April 4, 2024	June 6, 2024	August 1, 2024	October 3, 2024	December 5, 2024		

City Offices are CLOSED on the Following Observed Holiday Dates:							
January 1, 2024	January 2, 2024	March 29, 2024	May 27, 2024	July 4, 2024			
September 2, 2024	November 28, 2024	November 29, 2024	December 24, 2024	December 25, 2024			
December 31, 2024	January 1, 2025						

Unless residents are otherwise notified, trash pickup will be delayed by one day on the highlighted dates above.

<b>Plymouth Community Senior Senior Center at 42375 Schoolcraft Rd.</b> The Plymouth Community Senior Transportation Program is an independent, curb to curb transportation service owned and operated by the Charter Township of Plymouth in partnership with the City of Plymouth. Transportation is available to residents 60 years old & older, living in the Charter Township of Plymouth or City of Plymouth. Reservations are required at least 2 business days in advance & can be adde by calling the reservation line Mon-Fri from 8:30am-11:30am. (734)459-88888								
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12/8		MEIJER			\$10	9am		l 2pm
12/13		12 OAKS			\$10	9am		lpm
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MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2024 TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2024								
Friendship Station will be CLOSED: DECEMBER 25, 2023 - JANUARY 2, 2024 Merry Christmas								