

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 5, 2013**

Supervisor Combs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor Combs, Clerk Wright, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Hart, Trustee Jahr, Trustee McClanahan and Trustee Miller. Absent: None. Others in attendance: DPW Director Taylor, Director Parks and Recreation Wright, Deputy Director Parks and Recreation Zaenglein, Public Safety Director Laurain, Fire Chief Besson, Planning and Economic Development Director Mullen, Secretary Cline and an audience of thirty-four (34).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Jahr moved, Hart seconded to approve the revised agenda as presented with the following amendments, as discussed at November 4, 2013 Work Study Meeting. To remove New Business Item #4 “Consider awarding 2013 Beck Ball Fields Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Improvements Phase 1 contract(s).”; to add Consent Agenda Item #9 “Approval of Romulus Animal Shelter contract.”; to add New Business Item #6 “Consider approval of agreement between Van Buren Charter Township and Wayne County for the use of \$20,000 from the Wayne County Parks Millage for the construction of the second phase of ADA walking/bike path at Van Buren Park [Resolution 2013-19].”; to add New Business Agenda Item #7 “Consider approval of contract with Blue Ribbon Contracting, Inc. for the installation of the second phase of the ADA walking/bike path at Van Buren Park in the amount of \$19,900 and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the contract.”; to add New Business Agenda Item #8 “Consider approval of request for Special Use Approval for proposed expansion at Bethany Bible Church located at 810 E. Huron River Drive.”; to add New Business Agenda Item #9 “Consider approval of request for Special Use Approval for installation of Pipeline Inspection Point for parcel #V125-83-045-99-0001-701 at Ecorse and Hannan Roads for DTE’s subsidiary, MichCon.” Carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Budd moved, Wright seconded to approve the Consent Agenda [Work Study Minutes October 14, 2013; Closed Session Minutes October 14, 2013; Regular Board Meeting Minutes October 15, 2013; Budget Preparation Meeting Minute October 16 & 17, 2013; Adoption of Resolution 2013-18, health care opt-out for 2014; Approval of one additional year of the Cemetery Advisory Committee per the By-Laws and reappointment of Marc Littleton, Marie Krouse, Robert Gerick and Connie Etter to the Cemetery Advisory Committee with terms to expire December 12, 2014; Reappointments of David Brownlee, Norman DeBuck and Anthony Gibson to the Environmental Commission with terms to expire October 1, 2016; Appointment of Joan Franzoi and reappointment of Carol Thompson to the Planning Commission with terms to expire October 1, 2016; Approval of Romulus Animal Shelter contract; Voucher List of November 5, 2013.] as presented. Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: Supervisor Combs stated a resident called to thank the Township for addressing her traffic complaint on West Huron River Drive. A letter addressed to Fire Chief Besson from DTE Energy for his recent presentation on fire prevention to DTE Energy employees.

Clerk Wright stated last year the Board of Trustees Proclaimed November as “Veteran’s History and Appreciation” month in Van Buren Township. Clerk Wright on behalf of the Board of Trustees recognized and thanked all Veteran’s for their service and introduced representatives from Polish Legion of American Veteran’s (PLAV) Post 167 and Veterans of Foreign Wars

(VFW) Post 4434 Robert Krouse and Richard Dawson who also acknowledged all veterans for their service. Clerk Wright also stated a Veteran's Day Lunch will be held on Friday, November 8th in the Seniors Dining room and the Township Administrative Offices will be closed in honor of Veteran's Day on Monday, November 11th.

Public Safety Director Laurain stated "Coffee with a Cop" will be held on Saturday November 9th from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Leo's Coney Island.

Supervisor Combs read a Proclamation to establish November 15, 2013 as America Recycles Day in Van Buren Charter Township and recognized Waste Management for their partnership with the Township in the recycling program.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Budd moved, Hart seconded to adopt Resolution 2013-17 the 2013-2018 Capital Improvement Plan. Carried.

Wright moved, Hart seconded to approve the first reading of Rezoning Ordinance 11-5-13 to amend the Township Zoning Ordinance 06-02-92, as amended, by rezoning parcel V125-83-086-99-0002-000, also known as 45109 S. I-94 Service Drive, from R-1B (Single Family Residential) to C-1 (General Business). Carried.

*(A copy of Rezoning Ordinance 11-05-13 follows the minutes. Copies may also be obtained in the Clerk's Office, Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road during normal business hours.)

Budd moved, Jahr seconded to approve the automatic mutual aid agreement for fire responses between Van Buren Charter Township Fire Department and Sumpter Township Fire Department. Carried.

Wright moved, Miller seconded to approve acquiring services from Wade Trim to prepare SAW (Stormwater, Asset Management and Wastewater) Grant application to the State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for the lump sum of \$6,000. Carried.

Jahr moved, McClanahan seconded to approve agreement between Van Buren Charter Township and Wayne County for the use of \$20,000 from the Wayne County Parks Millage for the construction of the second phase of ADA walking/bike path at Van Buren Park; Resolution 2013-19; and to amend the budget to reflect these changes. Carried.

Jahr moved, McClanahan seconded to approve contract with Blue Ribbon Contracting, Inc. for the installation of the second phase of the ADA walking/bike path at Van Buren Park in the amount of \$19,900 and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the contract. Carried.

Budd moved, Hart seconded to approve the request for Special Use Approval for proposed expansion at Bethany Bible Church located at 810 East Huron River Drive. Carried.

Budd moved, McClanahan seconded to approve the request for Special Use Approval for installation of Pipeline Inspection Point [Pig Trap] for parcel #V125-83-045-99-0001-701 at Ecorse and Hannan Roads. Carried.

REPORTS: Supervisor Combs ordered the September 2013 Budgetary Report received and filed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Supervisor Combs made the following announcements. The Goodfellows “2013 Food and Family Essentials Drive” began October 25th and runs through December 6th to collect donations for “No Child Without A Christmas”. Collection boxes are located in Van Buren Township Hall and Belleville City Hall, monetary donations may be dropped off at Van Buren Police Department or mailed to Belleville/Van Buren Goodfellows, c/o Pam Fleming, 46425 Tyler Road, Belleville, MI 48111. Registration began November 4th and runs through December 6th. Information is available online at www.vanburen-mi.org or contact Pam Fleming at 734-699-8934 weekdays between 9 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.; Yard Waste ends the last full week of November and resumes the first full week of April; residents with concerns regarding dirt roads contact Wayne County Roads at 888-762-3273; Applications are available for Van Buren Township residents who are eligible for Community Development Block Grant housing rehabilitation assistance program for information contact Developmental Services Department; Township Administrative Offices are closed in honor Veteran’s Day on Monday, November 11th; Belleville Area Museum and Belleville Area Historical Society annual Holiday Tree Silent Auction will include a “Rivalry Tree Auction” to showcase a University of Michigan and Michigan State trees to be bid on and are looking for decorations; on Wednesday, November 6th PAWS with a CAUSE will be at the Belleville Area District Library program room at 7:00 p.m.; on December 7th the Winter Fest Parade will be held in downtown Belleville.

AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda Items): None.

ADJOURNMENT: Hart moved, Wright seconded to adjourn at 7:44 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon Wright, Township Clerk

Linda H. Combs, Township Supervisor



A nationwide initiative of **KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL**

Proclamation to Establish November 15, 2013 as

America Recycles Day in Van Buren Charter Township

Whereas, Van Buren Charter Township recognizes the importance of protecting and preserving our natural resources and adopting conscientious habits that will improve our daily lives and bring about a cleaner, safer, and more sustainable environment; and

Whereas, although there has been a significant increase in the amount of recycling in Van Buren Charter Township to date, we must also continue to focus on other initiatives such as waste reduction, composting, the reuse of products and materials, and purchasing recycled products; and

Whereas, by encouraging businesses, state agencies, nonprofit organizations, schools and individuals to celebrate America Recycles Day 2013, we can further promote recycling as an environmentally efficient and economically smart habit; and

Whereas, State and community leaders can help encourage recycling by informing citizens about local recycling options, they can also help foster greater awareness of the need to expand collections programs by promoting the benefits of recycling investments for businesses; and

Whereas, it is important that all Van Buren Charter Township citizens become involved in recycling activities and learn more about the many recycled and recyclable products available to them as consumers; it is also fitting for the Township to celebrate America Recycles Day 2013 and take action by educating citizens about the recycling options available in our community;

WHEREAS, Van Buren Charter Township leaders can also use this as an opportunity to spread the word about the excellent recycling programs that have been established, the growth of markets for recyclable materials, and the importance of buying recycled products:

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Van Buren Charter Township Board of Trustees that

Tuesday, November 15, 2013 is hereby proclaimed as America Recycles Day

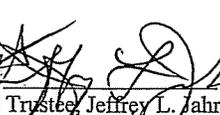
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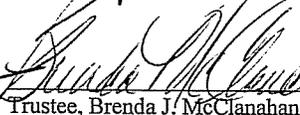

Supervisor, Linda H. Combs

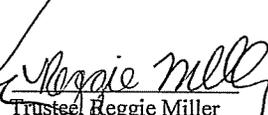

Clerk, Leon Wright


Treasurer, Sherry A Budd


Trustee, Phillip C. Hart


Trustee, Jeffrey L. Jahr


Trustee, Brenda J. McClanahan


Trustee, Reggie Miller

Charter Township of Van Buren Resolution 2013- 17

Capital Improvements Plan 2013-2018

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Van Buren at a regular meeting held on November 5, 2013.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN
2013-2018**

Capital Improvements Plan Contributors

Gregory Laurain, Public Safety Director
Daniel Besson, Fire Chief
Arthur Mullen, Planning & Economic Development Director
James Taylor, Department of Public Works Director
Steve Rankin, Information Technology Director
Jennifer Wright, Recreation & Facilities Director
Susan Ireland, DDA Executive Director
Linda Combs, Township Supervisor

Note: The proposed plan is restricted by funds available.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN

2013-2018

Overview

The Charter Township of Van Buren Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) is a planning tool used to identify and schedule capital improvements over a six-year period, in this instance, 2013-2018. Projects identified for the fiscal/calendar year 2013 have previously been approved by the Board of Trustees. A CIP is a common and valuable planning tool used in both the private and public sectors. City and township governments rely on the CIP process to develop strategies and long-range plans for the development of new public facilities, improvements to existing public assets to protect them from deterioration and to extend their use life, and to support and implement long-range goals. A CIP helps track multi-year projects that may require planning, design, land acquisition and constructions.

Until 2008, the township experienced considerable growth as the community transitions from a primarily rural environment to one that is much more urban or suburban in nature. Like many other communities it is expected that growth will be nominal during the next few years; however, Van Buren must remain cognizant of services and capital improvements to sustain a vibrant community. The projects listed in the CIP are those the administration believes will be needed in the future for the improvement of municipal service in the community and the preservation of existing municipal facilities. They represent the township's plan to serve residents and to anticipate the needs of the community. Whether or not any of the projects identified in the CIP come to reality is dependent upon the availability of funding. Some projects may never be implemented if funding is not available or other projects are determined to have a greater benefit or priority. In some cases, a project may no longer be deemed a worthwhile endeavor. The projects identified in the CIP are not cast in stone and as such, will result in a review of the CIP on an annual basis. The Board approved purchasing policy will govern how items listed in the CIP come to fruition, again pending the availability of adequate funding sources.

A CIP is prepared and updated annually to add new items, delete others and maintain a project list that correctly identifies the needs and priorities of the community and administration. A well-crafted CIP forecasts capital needs and provides an ability to coordinate funding opportunities. The plan will match revenue resources with future needs and expenditures. A CIP will include projects approved for a current year and will provide estimates of future cash flow needed to implement projects for the upcoming five-year period.

Each year, every project in the CIP will be reviewed. Projects may be modified and costs may be adjusted. A new year of programming is added each year and in general, future projects move one year closer to implementation with each annual plan.

The approved CIP will serve as a guide and forecast mechanism. The CIP should minimize inconvenience to the community by scheduling projects in logical sequence and in coordination with other adopted plans and long range planning goals. This long-range financial planning and prioritizing enables the Township to coordinate funding efforts and establish multi-year capital projects. The CIP anticipates future expenditures and allows for the stabilization of user fees over time. The CIP allows the township to demonstrate a professional approach in formulating project recommendations and to efficiently evaluate, prioritize, structure and plan the financing and implementation of public projects.

Definition of a Capital Improvement

Capital improvement projects are defined as major, non-recurring expenditures that include the construction of buildings or structures, acquisition or improvement to public lands, a professional service or planning, engineering or feasibility study, or new equipment that exceed \$25,000 in cost and has a useful life of three or more years. Each project must either increase the township's investment in its community or preserve the capital investments of the township by addressing infrastructure development and/or ongoing maintenance and directly benefit customer service demands and quality of life issues.

Examples of capital improvements include public buildings such as Township Hall, water/sanitary sewer lines, equipment such as fire apparatus or a backhoe, pathways and recreational facilities. Also included is rehabilitation or modernization of all or a part of a building, expansion of existing improvements such as sewer line extensions, and the acquisition of land for a public purpose.

The CIP Process

The administrative officials and staff prepared an inventory of all approved and potential projects related to various plans including the Master Plan, DDA Project List, Recreation Master Plan and Water Distribution and Sanitary Sewer Master Plans. Projects were evaluated and potential funding sources were identified. Projects were prioritized to establish a realistic six-year period for inclusion in the CIP.

In order to seek public input and ensure the CIP meets the objectives of the Land Use Master Plan, the Planning Commission will review projects included in the CIP, particularly those that may involve land acquisition, new site construction, site renovation and infrastructure projects. The Planning Commission will evaluate projects to ensure a direct link with township goals and conformance with the Land Use Master Plan. The Planning Commission's recommendations regarding the CIP as well as public input received during the Planning Commission's review will be shared with the Board of Trustees who will also evaluate the CIP in light of township goals, project prioritization, and available or potential funding.

Because the CIP is a planning, budgetary and potentially a political issue, the Township Board is the ultimate authority for approving the project list, establishing annual spending levels and determining the priority for project implementation. The CIP will be officially approved as part of the annual budget approval process.

CIP Funding Sources

General Fund: Funds from tax collection, service fees, reimbursement, interest income, state revenue sharing, fund balance or other sources such as, in the case of Van Buren Township, landfill revenues.

Enterprise Funds: Enterprise Funds are typically established for services such as water and sewer. Revenues are generated primarily through user fees and charges, and connection fees from those who benefit from the improvements.

Dedicated Millage Revenue: Property tax millage can be used to finance specific programs such as special voted millage being used to construct recreational facilities.

Special Assessment Districts (SAD): Public improvements may be financed through the assessment of property taxes, on an equitable basis, benefiting property owners in a specific district. Funds can be collected annually to meet debt service requirements on bonds.

Grants: This may include funding from other units of government or foundations. Typically there are stringent regulations on the use of grant funding and grant funds are limited in availability. The ability to receive grants is usually through a competitive process so creative and effective grant writing is crucial to receive funding.

Tax Increment Financing (TIF): Available to Downtown Development Authorities, Local Development Finance Authorities or Brownfield Redevelopment Authorities.

Bonds: Capital projects typically require a significant amount of funds to construct and may require several payment installments to pay off the bond. Sources of bonds include:

General Obligation Bonds: issued for a specific project and may not be used for any other purpose and is usually paid with property tax revenues.

Revenue Bonds: issued for construction of public projects that generate revenues such as a golf course, indoor ice arena or recreational facility. Bonds are retired using income generated by the project.

Other Funding Sources: Other funding sources may include developer contributions. For example, as part of site planning requirements, developers may contribute toward infrastructure costs, the development of recreational facilities or contributing open space. Another example of a miscellaneous funding source is public/private partnership. These partnerships bring private contributors and the public sector

together to share in the costs of a project to alleviate the overall financial burden falling onto a single source. This type of financing is becoming increasingly popular as the cost of a project may far exceed the ability of one sector being able to fund the project.

Project Summary: Following is a spreadsheet identifying those projects proposed for inclusion in the 2013-2018 Charter Township of Van Buren Capital Improvements Plan. Projects have been given a numeric designation, denote the identity of the department submitting the project, provide an initial year for funding along with the number of years the project may need to be financed and a proposed funding source(s). In some cases, multi-year projects may exceed the duration of the six-year CIP with these projects continuing to appear in subsequent plans. The ability for any of the proposed projects to be realized is restricted by financing for these projects being or becoming available.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

Project Descriptions

1. **Van Buren Township Hall Carpeting** – (2013) Replace old worn out carpet and tile at the Township Hall.
2. **Van Buren Township Hall Roof Repairs** – (2013) Due to multiple leaks the roof needs to be repaired or replaced.
3. **Van Buren Township Hall Parking Lot** – (2013, 2014) Repair or replace the Township Hall Parking Lot due to deterioration.
4. **Van Buren Township Hall Interior Painting** – (2013) Paint sections of the interior of the Township Hall as necessary to improve the appearance.
5. **Van Buren Township Heating & Cooling** – (2014, 2015) Replace old heating & cooling system major components to reduce repair costs.
6. **Public Works Operations Facility** – (2015) This project will provide the relocation of all field staff for Water & Sewer and Building & Grounds from the township hall complex to the property surrounding the water tower. The administrative and billing staff will remain located in the township hall for customer convenience and other township staff access. The project is to include construction of a maintenance garage, expansion of staff parking lot, covered materials storage units (salt, sand, top soil, etc), internal remodeling of tower to provide management and staff offices, bathrooms, staff lunch room, SCADA station, storage rooms and training room. The complex is to be enclosed with fencing and security card access.

The goals of this project are:

1. Maximize the available space provided by the special construction of the water tower.
2. Centralize Water & Sewer, Building & Grounds operations materials, storage and equipment to one location, improving management span of control on staff movements and inventory.
3. Create opportunity for additional general fund revenue by converting existing garage into police impound.
4. Create opportunity for revenue generation through rental space for communications equipment.
5. Create opportunity for sale of aged structures at Ecorse & Belleville Rd and Tyler Rd. This would provide a one-time revenue capture from sales, and an additional benefit of eliminating on-going and future maintenance and utility costs.

7. **Water Sewer Department Fleet Vehicle Replacement Purchase** – (2013, 2014) Replace older high mileage Water Department crew pickup trucks to reduce repair cost and improve reliability.
8. **Water Mobile Technology Project** – (2014, 2015) This project covers both expanding meter reading capabilities and other maintenance focused technologies to be used in the field.
9. **Water Main Replacement** – (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018) This is a scheduled replacement of water main based upon age, water quality, serviceability, and other criteria.
10. **Meter Reading Upgrade Payments** – (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016) One payment will be made each year with payment ending in 2016.
11. **Sanitary Sewer Pump Station Replacement** – (2013, 2014) Rehabilitate and/or replace all older pump stations and upgrade remote controls per recommendations in Sewer Master Plan; replace Northshore and Ryznar vacuum stations with more reliable submersible pump stations.
12. **Greenways Development** – (2014) Southeastern Quadrant trails: An extension will be required along E. Huron River Drive in order to connect Riggs Heritage Park to the City of Belleville and ultimately westerly routes to Ypsilanti Township and the Washtenaw County Border-to-Border Trail.
13. **Aerotropolis Plan** – (2014) Van Buren is a signatory agency to the Detroit Regional Aerotropolis Development Corporation. Estimated annual membership dues are currently \$25,000 per annum, which the DDA has voted to cover for the near term.
14. **French Landing Dam Soffits and Trim** – (2014) Over the years the general condition of the French Landing Dam powerhouse exterior has continued to decline. This is mainly due to exposure to the elements, weather events, and normal wear and tear. Some of the most obvious wear elements are soffits and wood trim. This proposal would prevent further damage and restore the soffits and wood trim to a very good condition.
15. **Township Master Plan Consolidation** – (2013) Planning Commission review and consolidation of the Township Master Plan in accordance with Michigan Planning Enabling Act.
16. **Beck Ball Field Renovations** – (2014) CDBG funded renovations and improvements to the Beck Ball Fields including updated concession stand, new pavilion, new playscape, replacement of deteriorated dugouts, and new landscaping.

17. **Milfoil Treatment of Belleville Lake** – (2014, 2015, 2016) Multi-year environmentally safe treatment of invasive milfoil aquatic plants with milfoil weevils to control this exotic species' growth in Belleville Lake.
18. **Inspector Mobile Equipment Upgrades** – (2014) Purchase mobile equipment including hardened computers, printers, and equipment stands for the Building Official and Ordinance Officers.
19. **French Landing Dam Bridge Rehab** – (2015) Rehabilitation of the closed French Landing Bridge including the **removal of water** and gas lines from the bridge, installation of recreation areas at base of bridge, and creation of a pedestrian path across the rehabilitated structure. This project will involve planning and coordination among several township departments and external independent agencies.
20. **Township Zoning Ordinance Update** – (2014) Complete review of the existing Zoning Ordinance to ensure easy application of the ordinance requirements while protecting Townships residents. Once completed, the Ordinance will be posted online.
21. **Springbrook Software Upgrade** – (2013) Upgrade application that Township uses for Finance, Utility Billing and Budget.
22. **Township Application Server Update** – (2014) Hardware server replacement. Main Township Software resides on this server.
23. **Township Website Upgrade** – (2013) Update and refresh the Township Website which has not been refreshed since its inception in 2003.
24. **Township Phone System Upgrade** – (2016) Update and replace the current VOIP System, which is 11 years old. This would entail a new phone system including new phone sets.
25. **Belleville Rd./DDA District Overlay Plan** – (2013) Preparation of the Belleville Rd./DDA District Overlay Plan which will assist the Township to maintain and enhance the character and appearance of the DDA district.
26. **Belleville/Ecorse Road Intersection** – (2013) It is the intent of the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) to reconfigure the intersection of Belleville and Ecorse Road to improve safety impacts and other impacts including environmental, utility and drainage right-of-way, access and future growth. It is anticipated that this will be completed as a boulevard type design with traditional Michigan left turns at directional crossovers.
27. **Belleville Rd. & I-94 N. Service Drive & Sidewalks/Pathways** – (2013) It is the intent of the DDA to construct non-motorized paths on the east side of Belleville Rd. (9701 Belleville Rd. to Tyler) and (I-94 N. Service Dr. from Holiday Inn

Express) to connect with the easterly sidewalk for a safe and walkable community.

- 28. Van Buren Township – DDA Marketing Plan - (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017)**
A marketing Plan to promote the DDA District in the Charter Township of Van Buren.
- 29. Belleville Road Traffic Signalization – (2013, 2014)** Engineering work and studies necessary to upgrade six (6) existing traffic signals located on the Belleville Road corridor from I-94 interchange to Tyler Road (13th worst roadway segment in Wayne County), add a signal to provide an additional access point to major traffic generators on the corridor, resurface portions of the roadway, replace existing curb and pavement in poor shape, upgrade ADA ramps and crosswalks and add right-turn lanes as warranted.
- 30. Belleville Road Fence Replacement – (2013)** Remove blighted existing chain link fence along the east and south sides of Belleville Road, beginning one lot north of Sunrise Lane extending west of Harmony Lane (Belle Harbor Estates) and replace the existing fence on Belleville Road with a natural grain 6’ wood simulated colored vinyl fence.
- 31. Riggs Park Monument – (2013)** Construct an 8 by 8 foot entrance sign at Riggs Park with lighting.
- 32. Van Buren Park Monument –** This project would construct an 8 by 8 foot entrance sign to highlight the park from the South Service Drive. The sign would include lights to highlight the park at night.
- 33. Pavilion Re-Wiring and Painting – (2014)** This project is for the re-wiring and painting of the 4 Van Buren Park Pavilions as well as the band stand at Van Buren Park. The prices are based on previous quotes from contractors.
- 34. Van Buren Park Splash Pad – (2016)** This project is for the installation of a splash pad at Van Buren Park at 50901 S. I-94 Service Drive. This project would add to the value of the park and offer additional amenities to patrons.
- 35. Dog Park – (2015)** This project would provide a space for dogs to exercise and play off-leash in a controlled environment under the supervision of their owners. These parks have varying features, although they typically offer a 4’ to 6’ fence, separate double-gated entry and exit points, adequate drainage, benches for humans, shade for hot days, parking close to the site, access to water, tools/bags to pick up and dispose of animal waste in covered trash cans, and regular maintenance and clean-up of grounds. Dog parks may also offer wheelchair access and a separate enclosure for small dogs. The ideal location for a dog park would be at Van Buren Park.
- 36. Aerial Apparatus – (2013)** Purchase Fire Truck—this will be an aerial apparatus with a platform “bucket” and replaces aging equipment.

- 37. Engine/Pumper (Fire Apparatus)** – (2015) This will be a fire apparatus with firefighting and rescue (limited) capabilities designed to be an all-purpose first response “Duty Crew” vehicle but on a smaller chassis than what we currently use. The truck will replace aging equipment and be designed for everyday “run of the mill” use which previously purchased fire apparatus were not designed for.
- 38. Weather Alert Sirens (Outdoor for Public Benefit)** – (2014, 2015, 2016, 2017) This project is designed to bring an emergency/weather alert sirens to VBT. The intent of the sirens is to alert the outdoor public to impending severe weather or catastrophic events (i.e.: tornado, flash flooding, or hazardous material leak) so that they may tune into another broadcast avenue (i.e. television or radio media outlets) and seek safety. Due to the cost of each siren, I propose the project be spread over multiple years until full coverage is complete.
- 39. 911 Center Dispatch Upgrades** – (2014) To add a third dispatch position within the 911 Center. Currently there are only two dispatch positions since upgrading to the 800 system in 2012.
- 40. Huron River Drive Water Main** – (2013) This project would include the replacement of a 16” water main and an 8” water main in the vicinity of the French Landing Dam.
- 41. Fifteen Passenger Van** – (2014) Replace 15 passenger van (1999) to reduce repair cost and to improve reliability and safety in transporting aging adults.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION 2013-18**

At a regular meeting of the Charter Township of Van Buren Board of Trustees, Wayne County, Michigan held on the 5th day of November 2013 at 7:00 p.m., the following Resolution was proposed:

WHERE AS, Act No. 152 of the Public Acts of 2011 was passed by the State Legislature effective September 27, 2011 placing a hard-cap limit or alternatively an 80% limit on the amount the Township may pay toward employee health care benefits for plans on or after January 1, 2011; and

WHERE AS, Section 8 of Act 152 provides an option for a complete opt-out or exemption from the requirements of the Act for the Calendar Year 2014; and

WHERE AS, the Administration recommends that the exemption be adopted upon a review of the Township's current labor contracts and consultation with legal counsel;

NOW THEREFORE, the Township Board concurs with and approves a "complete opt-out" under Section 8 of Public Act 152 for the Calendar Year 2014.

This resolution will be taken up again by the Board toward the end of 2014 for the succeeding Calendar Year.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Combs, Wright, Budd, Hart, Jahr, McClanahan and Miller.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Van Buren at a regular meeting held on November 5, 2013.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION 2013-19**

**TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH
WAYNE COUNTY FOR WALKING/BIKE PATH PROJECT**

At a regular meeting of the Van Buren Charter Township Board, Wayne County, Michigan, held at the Van Buren Township Hall on November 5, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

The following Resolution was made by Trustee Jahr and seconded by Trustee McClanahan .

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Van Buren has undertaken an intergovernmental agreement with Wayne County to use a \$20,000.00 grant from the Wayne County Parks Millage for the construction of the second phase of the ADA walking/biking path at Van Buren Park.

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Committee of Van Buren Charter Township has reviewed the ADA walking/bike path project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Van Buren Charter Township Board of Trustees enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Wayne County for the construction of the second phase of the ADA walking/bike path at Van Buren Park.

Roll Call Vote:

YEAS: Combs, Wright, Budd, Hart, Jahr, McClanahan and Miller.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

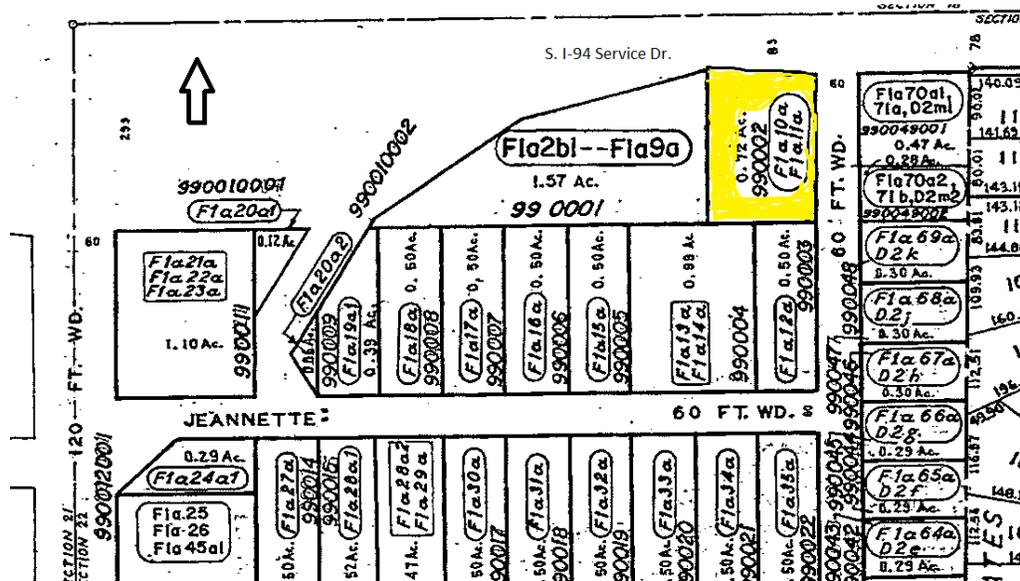
I, Leon Wright, Clerk of the Charter Township of Van Buren Board, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Charter Township of Van Buren Board of Trustees at a regular meeting held on November 5, 2013.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
ORDINANCE 11-05-2013
PROPOSED REZONING**

First reading of Ordinance 11-05-13; Second reading for adoption will be held at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees on Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. to be held in the Board of Trustees Room, Van Buren Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, Michigan, 48111.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN ZONING ORDINANCE 06-02-92, AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.



The Charter Township of Van Buren Ordains:

SECTION 1. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.

The Zoning Map in connection with the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance shall be amended as follows:

Ordinance No. 11-05-2013

A request to amend the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance 06-02-92, as amended, to amend the zoning map by rezoning approximately .72 acres of land consisting of parcel V-125-83-086-99-0002-000 from R-1B (Single Family Residential) all C-1 (General Business).

Legal Description of Property: 22F1A10A 22F1A11A THE S 210FT OF THE N 293FT OF THE E 190FT OF THE W 1100FT OF THE NW 1/4 OF SEC 22 EXC THE NW TRI PT THEREOF MEAS 80FT ALONG THE N LINE THEREOF AND 70FT ALONG THE W LINE THEREOF ALSO EXC THE E 30FT THEREOF 0.72 AC.

This property is located at the southwestern corner S. I-94 Service Drive at Dewitt Road.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY

In the event any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or word of this ordinance is deemed invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion deemed severable and shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. REPEALER.

Any and all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The provisions of this ordinance are hereby ordered to take effect immediately after adoption and publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township.

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a Regular Meeting, called and held on the ___ day of _____, 2013.

- YEAS: Combs, Wright, Budd, Hart, Jahr, McClanahan and Miller.
- NAYS: None.
- ABSENT: None.
- ABSTAINED: None.

This Ordinance shall be immediately recorded by the Township Clerk in the Township Ordinance Book as soon as it is adopted, which record shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Supervisor and Clerk and shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township within ten (10) days of passage.

I hereby approve the foregoing Ordinance,

Leon Wright, Clerk

Linda Combs, Supervisor