

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 4, 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: Captain Laurain, Chief Besson, Interim Planning and Economic Development Director Mullen, Executive Assistant LaMothe, Secretary Cline and an audience of twenty-seven (27).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Wright moved, Hart seconded to approve the agenda as amended. Add New Business Item #3 “Consider job description and Personal Services Agreement for Planning and Economic Development Director.”; and to approve the Consent Agenda [Work Study Session Minutes May 20, 2013; Regular Board Meeting Minutes May 21, 2013; Voucher List of June 4, 2013.] as presented. Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: Supervisor Combs stated Clerk Wright recently received his Certified Municipal Clerk designation.

Clerk Wright read a letter thanking Bob and Marie Krouse for placing American flags on veteran’s graves at the township cemeteries.

Captain Laurain stated five police officers completed the Medical First Responders course and upon state certification will be deployable as Medical First Responders in their police units and will assist the Fire Department on medical calls for service.

Service awards were given to the following employees: Jeffrey Stanton, Joseph Smith, Louis Keele and Michael Moening for 5 years of service; Michael Long, Curtis Lunsford, Kenneth Landstrom and Gretchen Lucas for 10 years of service; Jeffrey Osborne for 25 years of service; Ernie Thornsby for 30 years of service.

PUBLIC COMMENT: A resident commented on the placement of “Public Comment” portion of the agenda being prior to the presentation of agenda item; commented on the Post-Robson Drain agenda item regarding information provided and Grace Lake as retention pond. A second resident inquired if the changes to the Post-Robson Drain could force property owners to need to acquire flood insurance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Budd moved, Hart seconded to accept the 2012 Audits from Plante & Moran as presented. Carried.

McClanahan moved, Miller seconded to approve authorization to submit Petition to Wayne County for Vacation of a portion of the Post-Robson Drain and the adoption of [Resolution 2013-10](#) Necessary for Wayne County action. Carried.

Budd moved, Jahr seconded to approve the job description and Personal Services Agreement for Planning and Economic Development Director between Arthur Mullen and Van Buren Charter Township; to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the Agreement. Carried.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Supervisor Combs announced the Van Buren Township Fireworks will be held on Saturday June 29th with a rain date of Sunday June 30th at Beck Ball fields starting at dusk.

AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda Items): Comments were made from 8:05 p.m. to 8:07 p.m. by a Board member regarding status of repaving the Township Hall parking lot. The repaving project is scheduled for the end of July.

ADJOURNMENT: Wright moved, McClanahan seconded to adjourn at 8:08 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon Wright, Township Clerk

Date: _____.

Linda H. Combs, Township Supervisor

Approved: _____.