

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
WORK STUDY SESSION MINUTES
OCTOBER 5, 2015**

Supervisor Combs called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m. in the Sheldon Room. Present: Supervisor Combs, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Hart, Trustee Jahr, Trustee Miller and Trustee McClanahan. Absent/Excused: Clerk Wright. Others in Attendance Secretary Montgomery, DDA Assistant Director Lothringer, Executive Assistant Clair, Attorney Vinson, Director of Planning and Economic Development Akers, Public Safety Deputy Director (Fire) Besson, Planning Consultant Sloan, Public Safety Director Laurain, Engineer Nummer and an audience of seven (7).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion on the re-appointment of Donald Boynton and the appointment of Ronald K. Jackson to the Planning Commission with terms to expire October 1, 2018. Board members acknowledged Dr. Carl Johnson for his contribution and service on the Planning Commission during his term.

Discussion on the appointment of David Senters to the Board of Zoning Appeals with a term to expire October 1, 2018.

Discussion on Resolution 2015-37 to reprogram (transfer) \$34,000 in Community Development Block Grant Funds from Housing Rehabilitation to Demolition. Funds remain the Township's 2013 CDBG account and additional funds received from the HOME program must be spent or are required to be repaid on or before June 2016. The Township has identified six buildings in the Township that have been ordered by the Building Official to be demolished. The demolitions would proceed upon transfer of the funds.

Discussion on awarding the contract for the paving repairs in the Walden Woods Subdivision to Fiore Enterprises. Fiore Enterprises was the lowest of the four bids received. Board members agreed that this item should be postponed until the full execution of the Inter Government Agreement with Wayne County to secure funding for 80% of the project. The agreement will go before the Committee on Public Services on October 7, 2015 and anticipated to go to the Wayne County Commission for final approval on October 15, 2015.

Discussion on the Special Land Use request by Trilogy Residences, LLC. To demolish the existing tennis courts and construct a clubhouse and pool in the same area. Trilogy Residences encompasses Lighthouse Pointe, Archwood and Bellridge Apartments.

Discussion on the rezoning request from Belleville Development, LLC. to rezone parcel V-125-83-064-99-0002-002 from R-B (Single Family Residential) to C-2 (Extensive Highway Business) with conditions and parcel V-125-83-064-99-0002-003 from C-2 to C-2 with conditions. The contiguous parcels are located at the northeast corner of the I-94 N. Service Dr. and Quirk Rd. A hotel is being proposed for the site.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public comments included: The desire to salvage bricks from the demolition of the historic Riggs Farm house, securing the fully executed IGA with Wayne County before proceeding with any of the Pavement Restoration projects and acknowledgement of Dr. Carl Johnson for his service and contribution to the Planning Commission.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further discussion, Jahr moved, McClanahan seconded to adjourn to Closed Session at 5:20 p.m. to discuss: Ongoing Michigan Association of Fire Fighters (MAFF) contract negotiations. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: Combs, Budd, Hart, Jahr, McClanahan and Miller. Absent/Excused Wright. Motion Carried.

CLOSED SESSION:

1. To discuss ongoing Michigan Association of Fire Fighters (MAFF) contract negotiations.

ADJOURNMENT: The Work Study Session was reconvened at 6:46 p.m. There being no further discussion Miller moved, Hart seconded to adjourn the Work Study Session at 6:47 p.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon Wright, Township Clerk

Date: _____.

Linda H. Combs, Township Supervisor

Date: _____.