

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 2, 2014**

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. Others in attendance: Public Safety Director Laurain, Deputy Director-Fire Department Besson, Secretary Montgomery and an audience of twelve (12).

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Supervisor Combs requested removal of Unfinished Business item #1 and Consent Agenda item #2 [To consider adoption of Resolution 2014-29 to approve the AutoZone Storm Water System Maintenance and Repair Agreement with the property owner, notify Wayne County of this action, and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the agreement and Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes November 18, 2014]. Jahr moved, Wright seconded to approve the agenda as amended. Carried

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Jahr moved, Wright seconded to approve the Consent Agenda [Work Study Session Minutes November 17, 2014; Voucher List of December 2, 2014; Prepaid List of November 21, 2014, Reappointments of Angela Nettro, Juanita Jensen, Harry Roesch and Loretta Speaks (alternate) to the Board of Review with terms to expire 12-31-2016; Extension of collection for the 2014 Winter Property Taxes without penalty through Friday, February 27, 2015; Automatic Mutual Aid agreement between Van Buren Township Fire Department and the Detroit Metro Airport Authority Fire Department, Fiscal Year 2015 Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) Municipal Credit Contract. Carried.

Jahr moved, Hart seconded to correct the Board Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2014 by amending the motion previously adopted to now read: To approve the purchase of 13 Federal Signal 2001-130 sirens from West Shore Services, Inc. in accordance with its proposal for the total sum of \$252,850.00 including installation and authorizing the Supervisor and Clerk to execute Inspection and Annual Maintenance Agreement at an annual cost of \$5,395 total for 13 sirens and further authorizing the transfer of the necessary amounts from the General Fund Fund Balance. Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Clerk Wright acknowledged resident Alan Avery owner of Alan's Hops on his recent verification as a Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP) Farmstead. Tim Kwiatkowski, MAEAP Technician, from the Monroe Soil Conservation District provided a brief overview of the program.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Resident expressed concern regarding cancellation of the Work Study session scheduled for December 1, 2014. Clerk Wright indicated that no items were requested by Board Members to be placed on the Work Study agenda.

Wright moved, Hart seconded to hold a Work Study Session on December 8, 2014 for the sole purpose of discussing the Budget. Carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Miller moved, Jahr seconded to approve the 2015 Fee Schedules with the removal of the Water and Sewer portion of the schedules. Supervisor Combs will schedule a public presentation on proposed rate increase. Carried.

**REPORTS:** None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Supervisor Combs announced: The Township Administrative Offices will be closed December 24, 2014 through January 2, 2015 for the Holiday Season; The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of Holiday Trees at the Belleville Area Museum runs through December 27, 2014; Belleville/Van Buren Goodfellows Applications for Assistance, open to Belleville and Van Buren Township residents only, are being accepted at the Public Safety Department until Friday December 5, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.; Annual Senior Center Bake Sale Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 9:00 a.m.-noon.; Senior Center Christmas Party, reservation required, for September Days members only Friday, December 12, 2014 doors open at 4:00 p.m. cost is \$5.00 and the Holiday Arts and Craft Show December 6, 2014 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at the Community Center. Clerk Wright announced the Clerk's Office Coats for School Kids Drive for students in the Van Buren Public School District. Coats collected will be distributed December 12, 2014 to schools throughout the District. Wright thanked The Board, Township employees and vendors for their generous support.

**AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda Items):** 34<sup>th</sup> District Court Judge David Parrot thanked the Board and residents for their support during the November 4, 2014 General Election.

**CLOSED SESSION:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Jahr moved, Miller seconded to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Leon Wright, Township Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_.

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Linda H. Combs, Township Supervisor

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_.