

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN  
WORK STUDY SESSION MINUTES  
MARCH 14, 2016**

Clerk Wright called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Sheldon Room. Present: Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Jahr, Trustee Miller and Trustee McClanahan. Absent/Excused: Supervisor Combs and Trustee Hart. Others in Attendance Secretary Montgomery, DDA Assistant Director Lothringer, DDA, Executive Assistant Clair, Director of Planning and Economic Development Akers, Parks and Recreation Director Wright, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director Zaenglein, Engineer Nummer, and an audience of three (3).

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussion on the reallocation of \$41,136.26 from the General Fund to Parks and Recreation Capital Outlay and to increase the MMRMA Reimbursement line item by (\$41,136.26). Funds were approved in 2015 however projects did not commence. Funds will be allocated to park improvements and the demolition of the Riggs house.

Discussion on the appointments of Daniel Belanger, Todd O'Neill and Denise Willoughby to the Recreation Committee with terms to expire February 1, 2017.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Resident questioned if the Riggs house was salvageable. Director Akers clarified that house is in a state of disrepair and renovation would be too costly.

**ADJOURMENT:** There being no further discussion Jahr moved, McClanahan seconded to adjourn to closed session at 4:11 p.m. for the purpose of discussing on-going Michigan Association of Firefighters (MAFF) contract negotiations. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: Wright, Budd, Jahr, McClanahan and Miller. Absent/Excused: Combs and Hart. Motion Carried.

**CLOSED SESSION:** To discuss on-going Michigan Association of Firefighters (MAFF) contract negotiations.

**ADJOURMENT:** Miller moved, McClanahan seconded to reconvene the work study session at 4:43 p.m. There being no further discussion Budd moved, Miller seconded to adjourn the work study session at 4:45 p.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Leon Wright, Township Clerk

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

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Linda Combs, Supervisor

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