

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 5, 2016**

Supervisor Combs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor Combs, Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Hart, Trustee Jahr, Trustee McClanahan and Trustee Miller. Others in attendance: Secretary Montgomery, Deputy Public Safety Director (Fire) Besson, Public Safety Director Laurain, Deputy Public Safety Director (Police) Wright, Fire Marshall McNally, Recreation Deputy Director Zaenglein, Developmental Services Director Akers and an audience of seventy-one (71).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA Budd moved, Hart seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Hart moved, Miller seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. [Work Study Session Minutes of March 14, 2016; Closed Session Minutes of March 14, 2016; Board Meeting Minutes of March 15, 2016; Prepaid List of March 18, 2016; Prepaid List of March 24, 2016; Prepaid List of March 31, 2016; Voucher List of April 5, 2016; Appointments of Daniel Belanger, Todd O'Neill and Denise Willoughby to the Recreation Committee with terms to expire 2-1-2017.] Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: Public Safety Director Laurain in conjunction with Deputy Director (Fire) Besson and Deputy Director (Police) presented awards to the following employees for their heroic and lifesaving efforts when responding to the fire on Denton Rd. in December 2015: Dispatchers-Whitney Smolinski, Julie Jones and Robin Martin. Police Officers-Adam Byrd, Mark King and Eric Dougherty. Firefighters-David Schuler, David Bruillette, Bronson Campbell and John Henderson. Firefighter Henderson also received the Medal of Honor, the highest award possible. Firefighter Henderson has also been nominated for two National awards submitted through Firehouse Magazine and the International Association of Fire Chiefs for the Medal of Valor. Director Laurain thanked Belleville Police and Fire Departments, notably Officer Aldrich, and Sumpter Township Fire Department for their efforts.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

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

Jahr moved, Wright seconded to approve Resolution 2016-06 extending the temporary moratorium passed on September 15, 2015 to defer the review of applications pertaining to Medical Marihuana Establishments until May 9, 2016. Motion Carried. The extension allows for the process timeline necessary to implement an ordinance addressing medical marihuana cultivation facilities and dispensaries.

Hart moved, Budd seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 4-4-16 (1) to amend the General Code of Ordinances Chapter 18- Buildings and Building Regulations Article I-In General by amending Sec.

18-1-18-3. Motion Carried. The Ordinance addition clarifies the Township's adoption of the Michigan Building Code and its responsibilities thereunder.

Hart moved, Budd seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 4-4-16 (2) to amend the General Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18-Buildings and Building Regulations, Article II- Building Code by amending Sec. 18-31, Agency Designated. Motion Carried. The Ordinance addition clarifies the Township's adoption of the Michigan Building Code and its responsibilities thereunder.

Hart moved, Budd seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 4-4-16 (3) to amend the General Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18- Buildings and Building Regulations, Article IIA-Residential Code by amending Sec. 18-46, Agency Designated. Motion Carried. The Ordinance addition clarifies the Township's adoption of the Michigan Residential Code and its responsibilities thereunder.

Hart moved, Budd seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 4-4-16 (4) to amend the General Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18- Buildings and Building Regulations, Article III-Mechanical Code by amending Sec. 18-56, Agency Designated. Motion Carried. The Ordinance addition clarifies the Township's adoption of the Michigan Mechanical Code and its responsibilities thereunder.

Hart moved, Budd seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 4-4-16 (5) to amend the General Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18- Buildings and Building Regulations, Article IV-Plumbing Code by amending Sec. 18-81, Agency Designated. Motion Carried. The Ordinance addition clarifies the Township's adoption of the Michigan Plumbing Code and its responsibilities thereunder.

Hart moved, Budd seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 4-4-16 (6) to amend the General Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18-Buildings and Building Regulations, Article VI-Electrical Code by amending Sec. 18-151, Agency Designated and by removing Sec. 18-171-18-402 Electrical Examining and Appeals Board, Licensing and Registration, & Permits and Inspection. Motion Carried. The Ordinance addition clarifies the Township's adoption of the Michigan Electrical Code and its responsibilities thereunder.

Wright moved, Hart seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 4-4-16 (7) to amend the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance 6-2-92 to provide for regulations governing Medical Marihuana Cultivation Facilities. Motion Carried. The Ordinance would provide reasonable conditions for the cultivation of marihuana allowed by the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act, MCL 333.26421 et seq, as amended (MMMA) and prohibits medical marihuana dispensaries in all zoning districts.

REPORTS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Supervisor Combs announced yard waste season starts April 4, 2016. For information contact Community Services at 734-699-8926

NON AGENDA: Resident requested Board assistance in addressing road conditions on Sumpter Rd., Bemis Rd. and Martinsville and inquired about a possible expansion of Rawsonville Rd. Supervisor Combs will address her concerns with Wayne County Road Commissioner Hadius. Trustee McClanahan read a statement expressing her dissatisfaction that the Public Safety millage was not placed on an agenda, as requested by two trustees, for discussion. She felt this was an indication of a “fractured” Board. She encouraged open communication between Board members specifically as they pertain to maintaining a high level of public safety services and continued swift police response.

ADJOURNMENT: McClanahan moved, Wright seconded to adjourn at 7:59 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk

Date: _____.

Linda Combs, Supervisor

Date: _____.