

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN  
WORK STUDY MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 17, 2018**

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Sheldon Room. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Clerk Wright, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin, Trustee Miller, and Trustee White. Absent/Excused: Treasurer Budd. Others in attendance: Secretary Beaudry, Downtown Development Authority Director Ireland, Developmental Services Director Akers, Director of Public Services Best, Human Resources Director Sumpter, Fire Chief Brow, Assessing Coordinator Stevenson and an audience of three (3).

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** (none)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussion on the selection of Deere and Company to provide a HUV865M HVAC all-terrain vehicle with salt spreader and snow plow blade for Van Buren Township's Building and Grounds Department. The vehicle would be used to plow areas such as the Township Hall main campus, sidewalks leading up to the pedestrian walkway over I-94 and the pedestrian walkway.

Discussion on the appointment of Kevin Boyer, the reappointment of Juanita Jensen, the reappointment of Harry Roesch and the reappointment of Loretta Speaks as an alternate; all to the Board of Review with a term ending on December 31, 2020.

Discussion on a proposed sidewalk agreement between the Charter Township of Van Buren and Subaru Research and Development, Inc. This agreement meets the Township's Zoning Ordinance requirement of installing sidewalks along the frontage of Michigan Avenue.

**CLOSED SESSION:** Miller moved, Martin seconded to go into closed session at 4:21 p.m. pursuant to MCL 8 (c) for strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Wright, Frazier, Martin, Miller and White. Absent: Budd. Motion Carried.

Miller moved, White seconded to reconvene the Work Study Session at 4:37 p.m. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**BOARD COMMENT:** Discussion was held on retirement contributions of the board and some salaried members of the township only receiving 10%. It was decided to place an item on the Board Meeting agenda to increase the contribution to 12% to match that of the three elected officials.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further discussion Miller moved, Frazier seconded to close the Work Study Session at 5:04 p.m.

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Leon Wright, Township Clerk

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

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Kevin McNamara, Supervisor

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