

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 19, 2019**

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin, Trustee Miller and Trustee White. Others in attendance: Secretary Beaudry, Public Services Director Best, Executive Assistant Selman, Fire Marshall McNally and an audience of five (5).

Memoriam was read for Virginia Melcher. Mrs. Melcher was a founding member of the Van Buren Township September Days Senior Center. Within three months of starting the Center, she had 300 members sign up. She was a very active member in the senior community, and also enjoyed traveling, knitting and cooking.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA:** Supervisor McNamara outlined the items appearing on the agenda.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:** Budd moved, Miller seconded to approve the agenda. Motion Carried.

**ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Miller moved, Budd seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. [Work Study Session Minutes of March 4, 2019, Board Meeting Minutes of March 5, 2019, Prepaid List of March 7, 2019, Prepaid List of March 14, 2019, Voucher List of March 19, 2019, Approval of the telecommunication right-of-way permit application for US Signal Company, Approval of the drug and alcohol testing policy required by FTA to be mandatory for all September Days Senior Center, CDL transportation drivers of S.M.A.R.T. vehicles]. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

**CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:**

Correspondence included the following: Canton Township Public Safety thanked the Van Buren Township Fire Department for their assistance with fighting a structural fire at the Canton Crossings apartment complex.

Announcements included the following: there will be a free tire disposal event on June 1, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. here at the Township Hall; Huron-Clinton Metroparks is conducting a prescribed burn at Lower Huron Metropark sometime between March 15 and June 1 when weather conditions allow; the YMCA Spring Break Basketball Camp will be held at the Township Hall Gymnasium from April 1<sup>st</sup>-April 5<sup>th</sup> for a cost of \$75; the Hoppin' Hullabaloo magic show is Saturday, April 13 in the recreation center and free of charge; Yard Waste pick up begins for the 2019 season on April 1<sup>st</sup>; the Senior Center is hosting a free legal advice session on April 25 at 1:00 p.m.; Great Lakes Natural Soap Company will be holding a soap making class for \$20 in the Senior Center on April 23<sup>rd</sup>; there will be a Town Hall Meeting on the proposed route for the Iron Belle Trail on April 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Belleville High School Cafeteria Commons.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Unfinished and New Business):** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Miller moved, Frazier seconded to approve of the second reading of Ordinance #03-05-19(1) to amend the Township's Zoning Ordinance regarding security fencing and fencing in the front yard of non-residential zoning districts. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: White, Martin, Frazier, Miller, Wright, Budd and McNamara. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Wright moved, Budd seconded to approve of the second reading of Ordinance #03-05-19(2) to amend Article II (Fire Prevention Code) of Chapter 46 (Fire Prevention and Protection) to amend Sec. 46-31. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: White, Martin, Frazier, Miller, Wright, Budd and McNamara. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**REPORTS:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** A resident from the Country Walk HOA requested extra police patrol in the mornings when kids are boarding the school busses to combat some poor driving habits.

**BOARD COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** Friday Fill-Up is a program through Trinity Episcopal church that sends weekend food backpacks home with Van Buren Public school children in need, food donations can be made to the church or to the Clerk's Office at the Township Hall; the Tri-Community Resource Guide is now available on the Van Buren Township website, the guide gives information to a plethora of resources to those in need of any kind of assistance.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Miller moved, Frazier seconded to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Leon Wright, Township Clerk

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

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Kevin McNamara, Supervisor

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