

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 2, 2012**

Supervisor White called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor White, Clerk Wright, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Hart, Trustee Jahr and Trustee Partridge. Absent: Trustee Ostrowski (excused). Others in attendance: Public Safety Director McClanahan, Planning and Economic Development Services Director Carroll, DPW Director MacDonald, Recreation and Parks Director Wright, Fire Chief Besson, Secretary Cline and an audience of twenty-one (21).

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Jahr moved, Hart seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Carried.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Partridge moved, Wright seconded to approve the Consent Agenda [Work Study Session Minutes September 17, 2012; Closed Session Minutes September 17, 2012] as presented and Regular Board Meeting Minutes September 18, 2012 as amended to add under Audience (Non-Agenda Items) page 2, sixth paragraph "Trustee Partridge and Trustee Ostrowski both disagreed with the attorney's recommendation." Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** A representative from Atchinson Ford announced a "Drive 4UR School" fund raising event at Belleville High School on Saturday October 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Ford Motor Company will donate \$20 to Belleville High School for each test-drive. For more information contact Atchinson Ford at 734-697-2124.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Hart moved, Budd seconded to adopt [Resolution 2012-16](#) advising the Wayne County Department of Public Service of the Township's willingness to accept jurisdiction and maintenance of the storm water drainage system constructed in connection with the development of General Electric Corporation tax ID number V125-83-041-99-0002-702. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: Partridge, Hart, Budd, Wright and White. Nays: Jahr. Absent: Ostrowski (excused). Carried.

Budd moved, Jahr seconded to adopt [Resolution 2012-18](#) the amendment to Township Purchasing Policy. Carried.

Wright moved, Partridge seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 10-02-12 to amend the Township Zoning Ordinance, 06-02-92, as amended, to revise regulations pertaining to Wireless Communication. Carried.

\*(A synopsis of Ordinance 10-02-12 follows the minutes. A complete copy of the ordinance is available in the Clerk's Office, Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Rd., during business hours, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

Budd moved, Partridge seconded to postpone New Business #4 "Consider the proposal of Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency to provide administrative services to the Van Buren Housing Rehabilitation Program." to the next Board Meeting if all items are in place (copy of the contract and meeting with AFSCME union). Carried.

**VOUCHER LIST:** Wright moved, Hart seconded to approve the October 2, 2012 voucher list. Carried.

**REPORTS:** None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Clerk Wright stated the November 6, 2012 General Election Ballot will have two pages. The first page of the ballot all partisan positions will be on the front and the back of the first page all non-partisan positions; the second page contains all proposals. The state has six proposals; Wayne County has five proposals; Wayne County Community College has one proposal; and for those voters in Precinct 10 that are in the Lincoln Consolidated School District has two proposals. Clerk Wright stated absentee ballots are anticipated to be mailed to those voters who requested ballots on Friday. He further recommended voters who are eligible to vote absentee to vote absentee due to the length of the ballot and for those going to the polls on Election Day to review the sample ballot which is posted on the township's website and are available at the Clerk's Office. Also, if you chose to mail your ballot back the postage is sixty-five cents or you may drop your ballot off in the drop box located in front of Van Buren Township Hall or at the Clerk's Office.

Director Wright announced the National Recreation Parks Association Young Professional Network in conjunction with National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA), Visit a Park Day on Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. Also, on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup> Gordon Russ Spooky Monster Magic Show will be held at 2:00 p.m. at Riggs Heritage Park. For more information contact the Recreation Department at 734-699-8921.

**AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda Items):** Comments were made from 8:06 p.m. to 8:24 p.m. by the Board and audience regarding the following topics: lack of resolution from a residents continuous issue regarding a Township Official and a school bus; school union issue not a Township issue; violations of Michigan Open Meeting Act; Van Buren Township Board Rules of Conduct; Supervisor White; local landfills; odor complaints; Co-Generation facility project at Grace Lake; complaint filed for violation during Work Study during Non-agenda Items; New Business #1 Storm water maintenance agreement regarding Wayne County and request this issue be sent to State Attorney General.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Jahr moved, Partridge seconded to adjourn at 8:24 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon Wright  
Township Clerk

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

Paul D. White  
Township Supervisor

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