

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MINUTES
January 15, 2014**

Chair Brownlee called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Debuck, Wilson, Merrit, Ahamiojie, Jahr, and Gibson

Staff: Director Mullen and Secretary Kurtz

Audience: 3

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: Motion Wilson, Supported Gibson as presented.

Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion Debuck, Seconded Gibson to approve minutes from December 18, 2013 as presented.

Motion Carried

Communications: Brownlee asked to provide an updated Commissioners list and 2014 meeting dates to the members. Commissioners discussed the cancellation of Ypsilanti Township Water Advisory Committee and Tyler Dam. Representatives of the committee for Van Buren Township are Dave Wilson and Director Mullen.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/UPDATES

Director Mullen stated he is waiting a return call from Environ- Science Water Management.

NEW BUSINESS:

Presentation by Grant Trigger of Racer Trust- Remediation Activities at Willow Run Plants

Mr. Trigger provided background on the General Motors Properties bankruptcy case. He explained the remediation steps to the properties and proposed sales. Racer Trust is negotiating an agreement with contractor Walbridge, to develop an automated driverless vehicle test facility on a portion of the site and Ypsilanti Township. Continued remediation sparked interest in the protection of Tyler Dam, transformation from the storm water treatment plant to a development plan and Wildlife/ Wetland protection.

Presentation by Mike Takacs on Completion of Repair to the EQ Landfill Liner

Recapped the initial findings, site investigation and repair process. The final report was submitted to MDEQ December 2013. The use of new leak detection system procedures and monthly monitoring has shown the repairs are working.

General Discussion: Deferred to next scheduled meeting.

Audience Comments: Questions pertaining to General Motors property and answered by the presenter, Mr. Trigger.

Motion Jahr, Seconded Wilson to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary,
Brenda Kurtz