

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
WORK STUDY SESSION MINUTES
OCTOBER 17, 2016**

Supervisor Combs called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Sheldon Room. Present: Supervisor Combs, Clerk Wright, Trustee Hart, Trustee Jahr, and Trustee Miller. Absent/Excused: Treasurer Budd and Trustee McClanahan. Others in Attendance Secretary Montgomery, DDA Director Ireland, Planning and Economic Development Director Akers, Public Services Director Taylor, Consultant Sloan and an audience of two (2).

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion on the recommendation for Building and Grounds Superintendent. The position was posted internally following the resignation of William Turner. Mr. Fondaw has been employed with the Township for over 30 years and has performed many of the duties required by the position. His experience and performance with the Township, combined with the institutional knowledge he brings makes him an excellent candidate for the position.

Discussion on the reprogramming of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Rehabilitation funds for Program Year 2015. At this time there are at least two (2) condemned homes in the Township that have been ordered for demolition by the Building Official and are almost environmentally cleared for demolition. Upon approval of the Board and Wayne County the actual demolitions will be bid out and a lien will be placed on the property for the actual cost incurred.

Discussion on the Parks and Recreation 2016-2020 Master Plan. The plan was last adopted in 2011 and must be adopted every 5 years to be eligible for State and Federal recreation grants. The plan was prepared with assistance from the Recreation Committee, Parks and Recreation Department staff, and public comments during the online survey. The plan also reflects updated statistics and observations of the parks and facilities.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Hart, seconded by Wright to adjourn the work study session at 4:19 p.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon Wright, Township Clerk

Date: _____.

Linda Combs, Supervisor

Date: _____.