

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
WORK STUDY MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 8, 2018**

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Sheldon Room. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Clerk Wright, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin, Trustee Miller, and Trustee White. Others in attendance: Secretary Montgomery, Developmental Services Director Akers, Public Services Director Best, Water and Sewer Director Taylor, DDA Director Ireland and Deputy Director Lothringer, Executive Assistant Selman, Assessing Coordinator Stevenson, Senior Director Jordan and an audience of four (4).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion on the use of program year 2018 Community Development Block Grant Funds. Pursuant to federal guidelines the Township proposes the following projects for funding by the Community Development Block Grant program: \$75,581 Public Facilities & Improvements, \$30,000 Demolition, \$21,315 Senior Services and \$14,210 Administration. Public hearings will be held on January 9, 2018 and February 6, 2018 to receive public comment on funding allocation.

Discussion on the reappointments of Vera Ireland, Mary Korgal, Patricia Sobbecki, Margaret Thompson and Helen Wylie to the September Days Senior Center Endowment Committee with terms to expire January 15, 2020.

Discussion on the reappointment of Mike Dotson to the Local Development Financing Authority with a term to expire August 12, 2021.

Discussion on the 4th amendment to the Great Lakes Water Authority water service contract. The contract is a five-year renewal for Township purchase of water from the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA). The only change is the peak hour contract limits "pressure range and minimum flow rates".

Discussion on Ordinance 1-9-18 (1) a revision to the General Code of Ordinances Chapter 82 (Traffic and Vehicles), Sec. 82-2 to include the Motor Carrier Safety Act (MCL 480.11a). The amendment allows certain motor carrier violations, as set forth in the statute, to be written under local ordinance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Resident commented on the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority (YCUA) water system, water system redundancy, water & sewer rate increases over the past five years, and the Board approval process as it relates to the Wayne County Community College Local Development Financing Authority representative appointment.

CLOSED SESSION: Budd moved, Frazier seconded to go into closed session at 4:35 p.m. pursuant to MCL 15.268 (h) to discuss attorney client written opinion regarding Michigan Tax Tribunal Docket Numbers 17.001613, 17.001617 and 17.001620. Roll call vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin, Miller and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Frazier moved, Miller seconded to reconvene the Work Study session at 5:34 p.m. Motion Carried. There being no further discussion Frazier moved, Martin seconded to adjourn the Work Study Session at 5:35 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk

Date: _____.

Kevin McNamara, Supervisor

Date: _____.