

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 16, 2021 ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM**

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order electronically via Zoom meeting ID: 846 0681 4893 at 6:0 p.m. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Boynton, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin and Trustee Miller. Others participating, facilitating and monitoring the meeting: Secretary Montgomery, Deputy Supervisor Selman, Director of Planning and Economic Development Power, Human Resource Director Sumpter, Public Safety Director Laurain, Water and Sewer Director Saums, Representative from Flock Safety and a maximum audience of twenty-nine (29).

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

The following items were added to the consent agenda: Approval of the collective bargaining agreement between the Township and P.O.L.C. Patrol and Dispatch January 1, 2022-December 31, 2025, New Business #1: Approval of the final settlement agreement between Blue Country Walk LLC, T&M Asphalt Paving, SR Jacobson Development Corporation, Van Buren Township and Country Walk II Condominium Association and Country Walk IV Condominium Association and moved New Business item #5 to New Business Item #2 with all remaining items following sequentially.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Miller moved; Frazier seconded to approve the agenda as amended. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA: Miller moved, Budd seconded to approve the Consent Agenda: Work Study Session Meeting Minutes of November 1, 2021, Closed Session Minutes of November 1, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes of November 2, 2021; Prepaid List of November 4, 2021; Prepaid List of November 11, 2021; Voucher List of November 16, 2021; Approval of the reappointments of Jeff Jahr and Brian Cullin to the Planning Commission with terms to expire 10-1-2024, Approval of the reappointments of Ron Merritt II and Benjamin Ross to the Environmental Commission with terms to expire 10-01-2024, and Approval of the collective bargaining agreement between the Township and P.O.L.C. Patrol and Dispatch January 1, 2022-December 31, 2025. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS: Announced yard waste pick up has been extended with the last pick up day of December 10, 2021, the Township Administrative offices will be closed November 25, 2021 and November 26, 2021 in observance of Thanksgiving, reminded all residents to stop for school buses, announced Covid numbers are up over the past two weeks reflecting an infection rate of 1% of the Van Buren Township population, announced Michigan is a hotspot with infection rates on the rise, and encouraged residents to get vaccinated.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Unfinished and New Business): Resident encouraged the Board to re-establish scheduled Work Study Sessions in 2022 and was open to flexibility of date and time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Boynton asked to be recused from New Business item #1 due to his affiliation with the subject property.

Frazier moved; Miller seconded to recuse Trustee Boynton from any/all discussion and voting on New Business Item #1 due to his affiliation with the subject property. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Boynton: Recused. Motion Carried.

Budd moved; Frazier seconded to approve the final settlement agreement between Blue Country Walk LLC, T&M Asphalt Paving, SR Jacobson Development Corporation, Van Buren Township and County Walk II Condominium Association and Country Walk IV Condominium Association. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, and Frazier. Nays: Martin and Miller. Recused: Boynton. Motion Carried.

Wright moved; Miller seconded to approve the agreement with Flock Safety for the License Plate Recognition project and an amendment to the 2021 amended budget line item 101-301-819-000 in an increase of \$75,000 from General Fund balance to show a final balance of \$195,230. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

Wright moved; Frazier seconded to approve establishing Edgemont Elementary School as a polling place in accordance with MCL 168.662. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

Miller moved; Budd seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 11-16-21 (1) to rezone Parcel # V-83-041-99-004-001 (42061 Ecorse Rd) from C-1 (General Business to M-1 (Light Industrial). Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

Item # 5 was acted upon out of order with the remaining items addressed sequentially.

Frazier moved, Miller seconded to approve Resolution 2021-28 an exemption from Section 86-35 of the Township Code of Ordinances requiring connection to available public sanitary sewer for parcel #83-085-99-0011-000 (43801 S. I-94 Service Dr.). Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

Miller moved; Boynton seconded to approve Resolution 2021-27 Request for the proposed water tap for parcel #83-122-99-0005-701 (7029 Rawsonville Rd.). Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

Miller moved, Frazier seconded to approve the Job Description and Personal Services Agreement between the Township and Joel Sabin for the GIS Technician position. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

Discussion on scheduling Work Study Sessions for the 2022 Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule. Consensus to schedule work studies at 5:00 p.m. prior to Board of Trustees meetings on Tuesdays with the understanding the meetings would be cancelled if not needed. This item will be included on the consent agenda at the next meeting.

REPORTS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Resident reminded the Board that Work-Study sessions are also for public comment, not just for the Board, and believes Covid numbers are going up due to the number

of vaccines administered. Union President for the P.O.L.C. thanked the Board for working with the union to reach a mutual agreement as it pertains to Covid vaccination requirements in the work place.

BOARD COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Trustee Martin requested that the Public Safety Department and the Board of Trustees focus on getting improvements made to the intersection of Belleville and Tyler Road as it continues to be a major safety concern.

ADJOURNMENT: Wright moved; Martin seconded to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk

Date: _____.

Kevin McNamara, Supervisor

Date: _____.