

Charter Township of Gun Plain

Regular Monthly Meeting

April 5, 2018

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by supervisor Vandenberg at 7 PM, the following board members were present Vandenberg, Kopka, Morehouse, Horton and Meert. Absent Shannon and Pearson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approximately 6 guests were present.

Minutes

Morehouse motion to approve the minutes as written for March 1, 2018 and March 27, 2018. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda

Vandenberg motion to approve the agenda with the following additions under new business #2 road bids, #3 fire Department new hire and #4 bids to clean up house on 4th Street. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Clerks Report

Meert presented the board with a list of checks written for the month of March 2018. Horton motion to approve the clerks report as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Treasures Report

Horton reported that the general fund balance as of March 31, 2018 was \$1,983,775 and the Raymond James investment fund balance as of March 31, 2018 was \$239,209.00. Kopka motion to approve the treasures report as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Open to the public

Aric Nesbitt was present to announce his candidacy for State Senate.

New Business

Resolution 2018-2 and resolution 2018 -3 Increase Water and Sewer rates

Vandenberg explained that the city of Plainwell was increasing the rates to water and sewer by 3% due to the CPI factor. Lake Doster's rates for water will now be \$2.16 per thousand, Gores, James, pine meadow rates will now be 2.52 per thousand. The new sewer rates will be Lake Doster \$76.07, airport plat \$40.02 and Gores \$55.75.

Resolution 2018.2 approving an increase in water rates as presented. Meert motioned to approve resolution 2018-2. Vandenberg seconded. Meert yes, Vandenberg yes, Horton yes, Kopka yes and Morehouse yes. Absent Shannon and Pearson. Motion carried.

Resolution 2018 – 3 approving an increase in sewer rates as presented. Vandenberg motioned to approve resolution 2018-3. Horton seconded. Meert yes, Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes and Horton yes. Absent Shannon and Pearson. Motion carried.

Road Bids

Meert motion to accept Michigan paving and materials bids for \$182,397.50. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

New Fire Department Hire

Chief Meert recommended the board hirer Ryan Welcher. Kopka motioned to hire Ryan Welcher contingent on Welcher passing all required employment exams. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Bids to clean up property on 4th Street

Vandenberg reported that we received two bids to clean up and dispose of their refuse any property on 4th Street in Gun Plain Township. Kopka motioned to approve the bid from property revolution LLC in the amount of \$2250.00. Morehouse seconded. Meert yes, Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes and Horton yes. Absent Shannon and Pearson. Motion carried.

Old Business

Gainger Road flooding

Vandenberg reported that this time the Allegan County Road Commission will not put a culvert underneath the road on 110th Ave. no further action can be taken at this time.

Gun River

Vandenberg reported that he has not been notified if they are going ahead with the repairs in the area between 10th Street and 131. He will update the board and public when he receives any new updates.

Monthly Reports

Deputy Report, water and sewer report City of Plainwell. Vandenberg motioned to accept the reports as presented. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Comments Township Board Members

Kopka ask if VanDenBerg could ask Deputy Bronson to make sure he is working the 2nd and 3rd of July because of all of the illegal fireworks.

Vandenberg reported that the bike trail meetings are still moving forward to see how and where they can link the trails. Vandenberg thanked the fire department for their quick response to the fire at Lake Doster.

Open to the Public

Carol Brock 1183 Miller Road ask about all of the junk from Lightening Towing that is being moved close to their land and questioned if the new building was in compliance.

County Commissioner Black updated the board and public on County activities.

Adjournment

Vandenberg motioned to adjourn at 8:16 PM. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.