

**Charter Township of Gun Plain**

**Regular Monthly Meeting**

**November 1, 2018**

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by supervisor Vandenberg at 7:00 p.m. the following board members were present Meert, Kopka, Vandenberg, Pearson, Horton and Shannon. Absent Morehouse.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approximately 6 guests were present.

**Minutes**

Shannon motioned to approve the minutes as written for October 4, 2018 and October 23, 2018. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

**Agenda**

Vandenberg motioned to approve the agenda with the following amendments new business item 4. Cemetery Budget, 5. Recycling, 6. PASER ratings and 7. Parking lot lighting. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

**Clerk's Report**

Meert presented the board with a list of checks written for the month of October 2018. Kopka motioned to approve the report as presented. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

Horton reported that the general checking balance was \$1,980,010.00 and the Raymond James fund balance was \$240,844.00. Meert motioned to accept the report as presented. Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

**Open to the Public/None**

**New Business**

**Appointment of Planning Commissioner**

Two applications were received for the opening. Kopka motioned to appoint Paul Sullivan. Shannon seconded. Motion carried. One nay. Morehouse absent.

**Dust Control for 2019**

The board received bids from SWB Enterprises LLC \$13050.00 and Southwestern Michigan Dust Control \$11,250.00. Kopka motioned to accept the \$11,250.00 bid from Southwestern Michigan Dust Control. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

**Sewer Manhole**

Vandenberg reported that the manhole located at the intersection of 8<sup>th</sup> and Industrial would cost approximately \$30,000 to build a new one, plus approximately \$30,000 to refurbish the existing one. The board ask Vandenberg to contact our attorney regarding this matter.

#### **Cemetery Budget**

Vandenberg reported that the line item for hired help is over budget and we need to put \$5000.00 to carry him over until April 1, 2019. Vandenberg motioned to put an additional \$5000.00 to help offset the additional work to put in a new water line at the cemetery this summer. Horton seconded. Vandenberg yes, Kopka yes, Meert yes, Horton yes, Pearson yes and Shannon yes. Motion carried. Absent Morehouse.

#### **Recycling**

Vandenberg reported that the cost of recycling will be increasing by \$30.00 per ton beginning January 1, 2019 this raised the new rate to \$70.00 per ton. The board will review this request during budget workshops.

#### **PASER Ratings (Roads)**

Allegan County Road Commission provided the board with a map of the roads in Gun Plain Township and their ratings. The board will use the map as a guideline for road repairs.

#### **Parking Lot Lighting**

The board discussed the back parking lot and agreed that we need better lighting, the board ask Vandenberg to get bids for LED lighting.

#### **Old Business**

##### **Water at Doster**

Vandenberg reported that the test came back with results for PFAS was below 70 ppt allowed for safely and the Dixon test came back below the 13 ppqt.

##### **Monthly Reports**

Fire Report to date we have had 149 calls, nine accidents and 4 assist to other departments.

##### **Water and Sewer reports were submitted.**

Vandenberg motioned to accept the reports as presented. Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

##### **Comments Township Board Members**

**Vandenberg presented County Commissioner Black with an award Plaque for all his years of service.**

Kopka motioned to approve the Firemen's dinner up to \$25.00 per fire personnel. Shannon seconded. Meert yes, Vandenberg yes, Pearson yes, Horton yes and Shannon yes. Motion carried. Absent Morehouse.

##### **Adjournment**

**Vandenberg motioned to adjourn at 8:06 p.m. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.**