

Charter Township of Gun Plain

Regular Monthly Meeting

December 6, 2018

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approximately 6 guests were present.

Minutes/none

Agenda

Vandenberg motion to approve the agenda with the following amendments under old business #1 water at Doster move up to the beginning of the session under new business. Under new business #5 marijuana #6 bike trail and #7 set date for public hearing for 2019/2020 budget. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Clerks Report

Meert present the board with a list of checks written for the month of November 2018. Morehouse motioned to accept the clerks report as presented. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

Treasures Report

The general account balance was \$1,890,899.00 and the Raymond James investment fund was \$241,008.00. Kopka motioned to accept the treasures report as presented. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

Old business

Water at Lake Doster requesting a water discomfort Eagle green

Mr. Zane was present to discuss the ongoing water discoloration, he asked if the board would consider some sort of discount for that area. Kopka motioned to allow Eagle green and Phoenix court a 50% discount based on the fact that we are flushing all the time trying to resolve their problem in that area. Kopka requested that review this issue on a six-month basis. The rate for their water will be \$1.08 per thousand until further notice. Shannon seconded. Meert yes, Kopka yes, Morehouse yes, Vandenberg yes, Pearson yes, Horton yes and Shannon yes. Motion carried.

Open to the public/none

New Business

Appoint Planning Commission, Board of Review, Zoning Board of Appeals

Vandenberg motioned to appoint the following people to the planning commission three-year term ending in its February 2022 Dana Albertson Stowell and Paul Sullivan. Zoning board of appeals Ron

Kopka term ending in February 2022. Board of review two-year term ending in 2021 Julie Shannon, Paul Sullivan and JD Chamberlin and alternates Amy Hamilton. Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

Resolution 2018 – 7 Poverty Guidelines and Asset test for 2019

Meert motioned to approve resolution 2018 – 7 accepting poverty guidelines and Asset tests as presented. Morehouse seconded. Kopka yes, Morehouse yes, Vandenberg yes, Pearson yes, Horton yes, Shannon yes and Meert yes. Motion carried.

432 Midlakes Blvd lot line adjustment request

432 Midlakes the owner of parcel 113 is requesting the approval for a lot line adjustment at 432 Midlakes to combined to parcels. Kopka motioned to approve the request for the line adjustment at 432 Midlakes. Vandenberg second. Meert yes, Horton yes, Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes, Pearson yes and Shannon yes. Motion carried.

Board Meeting and Holiday Dates for 2019

Horton motion to approve the calendar holiday dates and board meeting dates for 2019. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried. (See website for calendar).

Marijuana

The planning commission will keep us updated on this issue. The board realizes that we cannot stop people from smoking and or growing in their house if they have a permit, however we can opt out of places within the Township to be able to sell marijuana. This item is information only based.

Bike Trail

Supervisor Vandenberg reported that Cooper Township pays a current millage to the Kalamazoo district therefore they opted out of spending an additional thousand dollars to help with the study of the trail with the City of Plainwell and Gun Plain Township. Vandenberg reported that the city of Plainwell is willing to pay an additional \$500 if Gun Plain Township will pay an additional \$500 to cover Cooper Township's costs. Kopka motioned to spend an additional \$500. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

Set date for budget workshop

The board set December 10, 2018 at 4 PM.

Old Business

Sewer Manhole

Meert motioned to approve Vandenberg to spend \$13,500.00 to correct the sewer line from the township hall to the existing manhole. Pearson seconded. Vandenberg yes, Meert yes, Kopka yes, Morehouse yes, Pearson yes, Horton yes and Shannon yes. Motion carried.

Monthly reports

Deputy Bronson was present and gave a report, fire Department report, County Commissioner report and water and sewer report. Vandenberg motioned to approve all reports as presented. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Comments Township Board Members

Vandenberg reported that Esper Electric has repaired the lights in the parking lot area of the Township Hall the lighting is much better now. He also reported that Esper Electric said we might consider not putting a new light pole in the middle of the parking lot

Open to the Public

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

Adjournment

Vandenberg motioned to adjourn at 7:58 PM Kopka seconded. Motion carried.