

Charter Township of Gun Plain

Regular Monthly Meeting

May 2, 2019

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes

Morehouse motioned to approve the minutes as written for April 4, 2019 and April 23, 2019. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda

Vandenberg motioned to approve the agenda with the following amendments under new business 4. Force soccer, 5. Resolution 2019-4, 6. Resolution 2019-5, 7. Parking lot, 8. 8th Street road construction and 9. 31 4 Street. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Clerks Report

Meert presented the board with a list of checks that were written for April 2019. Morehouse motion to approve the report as presented. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

Treasures Report

Horton reported that the general fund balance was \$2,400,750.00 and the Raymond James balance was \$241,500.00. Meert motion to approve the treasures report as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Open to the public/none

New Business

Public Hearing Ordinance 169 Fireworks

Vandenberg motion to close the regular meeting and open the public hearing. Horton seconded. Motion carried. Vandenberg motion to close the public hearing and return to regular session. No public comments. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Kopka motioned to adopt ordinance 169 fireworks. Shannon seconded. Vandenberg yes, Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Pearson yes, Horton yes, Shannon yes and Meert yes. Motion carried.

Public Hearing Ordinance 170 (prohibiting of recreational marijuana establishments)

Vandenberg motion to close the regular meeting and open the public hearing. Horton seconded. Motion carried. No public comments. Vandenberg motion to close the public hearing and return to the regular meeting. Pearson seconded. Motion carried. Morehouse motion to approve ordinance 170 prohibiting of recreational marijuana establishments. Horton seconded. Vandenberg yes, Kopka yes, Morehouse

yes, Meert yes, Horton yes, Pearson yes and Shannon yes. Motion carried. This ordinance will take effect immediately following publication.

Inspection of Records Policy

Kopka motion to approve the Gun Plain Charter Township Inspection of Records Policy. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Force Soccer

Force soccer has requested from the Township board to be allowed to clear the brush in the back fields so they can make more parking and have better turnaround ability. Vandenberg motion to allow Force Soccer to take out the junk brush, scrub trees and rubbish to clean up the back area of the soccer field. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Resolution 2019- 4 (increase sewer rates)

Vandenberg explained that we would be passing on the 3.5% that City of Plainwell has increased our rate and adding a \$9.00 ready to serve to all sewer customers to cover the costs that the Township is being charged by the City of Plainwell. Morehouse motion to approve 2019-4. Shannon seconded. Vandenberg yes, Horton yes, Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Pearson yes, Shannon yes and Meert yes. Motion carried.

Resolution 2019-5 (increase water rates)

Shannon motion to approve resolution 2019-5. Horton seconded. Meert yes, Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes, Pearson yes, Horton yes and Shannon yes. Motion carried.

Parking Lot

After starting to work on the parking lot in back of the Township Hall the contractor found many problems with the existing base that was necessary to fix in order to have a sound base for the new parking area, due to the problems the project would be increasing by approximately an additional \$130,000.00. The board discussed the issue and requested Vandenberg seek other bids. The board will meet again on May 7, 2019 to discuss this matter further.

8th Street Project

The contractor spoke with Vandenberg and informed him that there could be a lot of runoff water near the entrance to the Township Hall and suggested that we contact the city of Plainwell to see if we can run it into the existing storm drain.

31 4th Street

A letter was submitted to the Township board by a potential buyer of the property located at 31 4th Street requesting a few extra weeks to allow him to get the property cleaned up properly. The board stated that they were willing to work with him and allow him extra time to clean the property in question once the property has been purchased.

Old Business

Water Doster/ none

Generator Quotes

They have not been received yet.

Monthly reports

Assistant chief Currier gave a report on fire run's for April 2019, written water and sewer reports were presented. Vandenberg motion to approve the reports as presented. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

Open to the public/none

Adjournment

Vandenberg motion to adjourn at 8:06 PM. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.