

Charter Township of Gun Plain

Regular Monthly Meeting

September 6, 2018

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approximately 18 guests were present.

Minutes

Kopka motion to approve the minutes as written for August 2, 2018. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda

Vandenberg motion to approve the agenda with the following amendments new business #4 PFSA/Dioxin and under old business #7 FOIA. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Clerks Report

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

Treasurers Report

Vandenberg presented the treasurers report. General checking account balance as of August 31, 2018 was 1,930,604 and the Raymond James investment balance was 240,305.00. Kopka motioned to accept the treasurers report as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Open to the public

Jim Boyd Lake Doster voiced his opinion on people running a B&B in a residential area.

Lynn Hartig 108th spoke on the 108th road project.

Jared Austen spoke on the 108th road project.

Keith Jansen spoke on 108th Rd. project.

First read of Ordinance 168 and set Public Hearing

Vandenberg motioned to set a public hearing for October 4 at 7 PM for a public hearing second reading. Meert seconded. Motion carried.

Appoint Library Board Member

Kopka motioned to appoint Sue Raven to the Library board. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

PFSA/Dioxin

The board recently sent a letter out to the Lake Doster residents with the results of the PFSA results, Vandenberg stated that we later found out that they only tested one of the two wells and the second well needed to be tested, the board agreed to spend the additional \$865 to test the second well. The board also agreed to wait until we know a little more from the DEQ on Dioxin but stay proactive on this matter to ensure that there are no problems with our water that we are providing to the public.

Resource Recovery Program

Kopka motioned to discontinue our participation with the drop-off sites portion of the recycling program because it is not cost effective, but continue with the monthly recycling program and the curbside bulk program. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Appointment of Election inspectors

Meert provided the board with a list of the following inspectors for approval Dana Albertson, Denise Nichols, Nicole Yaw, Shelly Reardon, Amy Hamilton, Connor Meert, Brea Colyer, Kathy Steele, Gail Harmon, to Jenann Pearson, Julie Shannon, Annette Horton and Liz Jones. Vandenberg motion to approve the election workers as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Kopka brought stated that we need to address the policy and understanding of an office employee taking a vacation day to work elections. Kopka wants a policy brought back to the board.

FOIA

Meert updated the board and public on the FOIA request that Gun Plain Township received from Emily requesting all ballots from November 2016. Meert stated that we have complied with the request and submitted a cost for them to obtain copies of the voter ballots from November 2016 the estimated costs is approximately \$11,000. Meert also reported that sense submitting a cost to Emily we have had no further contact from them at this time.

Old Business

Flooding at 110th and Gainder

Vandenberg updated the board that the letters have been sent out and we are having a meeting on September 26 at 7 PM to meet with the residents in the area to discuss this problem.

Water at Doster

Vandenberg reported that we are still having problems with some orange discoloration in some areas of Lake Doster. They are currently flushing and will continue to work with the residents in this area to solve the problem.

Monthly reports

Water and sewer Vandenberg motion to accept all reports as presented. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Comments Township Board Members

Vandenberg reported that we are having a problem with the city of Plainwell regarding eighth Street and industrial Parkway the manhole cover that we spent \$15,000 to prevent the system with a charcoal filter has been removed in a solid has been replaced by the city of Plainwell. Vandenberg stated that our lid would be returned and replaced back on the manhole.

Open to the public

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

Adjournment

Kopka motion to adjourn at 8:55 PM. Meert seconded. Motion carried.