

Charter Township of Gun Plain

Regular Monthly Meeting

April 6, 2023

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

Also present was approximately 10 guest.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes

No March minutes to be approved.

Agenda

Vandenberg motion to approve the agenda with the following items under new business, soccer fields, lawn mower for cemetery, Chairs, Perceptive control/water tower, request for a line adjustment for parcels 08-035-014-00 and 08-540-023-00, Ordinance #182 FEMA and Ron Kopka. Vandenberg motion to approve the agenda as amended. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

Clerks report

Clerk's report presented the board with a list of checks written for the month of March 2023 and a copy of the enterprise funds. Shannon motioned to accept the clerks report as presented. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report

Treasurer's report presented that the general fund balance was \$4,194,814.00 and the Raymond James investment fund balance was \$244,638.00. Shannon motion to approve the treasures report as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Open to the public

Geresey asked to move agenda item #8 to the end of the meeting.

Motion to move agenda #8 to the end of the meeting by Vandenberg. Second by Morehouse. Motion carried.

New business

Road mowing and bids for asphalt

Allegan County will pay for two and the Township will pay for a third mowing for 2023. Vandenberg motion to approve three mowing's. Shannon second the motion. Motion carried. Motion by Morehouse to approve Lakeland's bid for paving. Second by Shannon. Motion carried.

Assessor Policies

Motion to approve the Assessor policies by Shannon. Second by Kopka. Motion carried.

Hall Rental for High School fishing Club

The club would like to meet once a month in the township Hall for their meetings. The board agreed that this is fine.

Sheriff Car

The car that was supposed to be used did not come in (Ford). Allegan county now has a Chevy Tahoe in stock. Motion to cancel Ford and to approve Tahoe by Kopka. Second by Shannon. Motion carried.

Lift Station #4 at Lake Doster

The pump failed after an ice storm. The modem was fried on warning system. Rico ran some test and all is good.

Request to combine Parcels

Motion to combine parcel 08-200-069-00 and 08-200-068-00 by Morehouse. Second by Shannon. Roll Call.

Morehouse yes, Kopka yes Vandenberg yes Pearson yes and Shannon yes. Motion Carried

Postage Machine Lease

Motion to approve the lease by Shannon. Second by Morehouse. Motion carried.

Soccer Fields

AYSO is not using the field any longer. Force soccer is going to use some of the property.

Lawn Mower

Morehouse motion to purchase two new mowers (Wright ZXL 52inch 28hp VanGuard EFI). Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Request for a lot line adjustment.

Motion for a lot line adjustment for parcels 08-035-014-00 and 08-540-023-00 by Vandenberg second by Shannon. Roll call.

Shannon yes, Pearson yes, Vandenberg yes, Kopka yes. Morehouse did not vote conflict of interest.

Motion carried.

Ordinance #182 General Law

The date is set for May 4, 2023.

Ron Kopka

Ron Kopka is leaving the township board after 32 years of service. Ron spoke of his 32 years with fondness. As a board we have not always seen eye to eye but the outcome always has the best interest for our taxpayers. He will be greatly missed.

Old Business

Water at Doster

We have had lots of rain so we have had to deal with it.

Moving County Offices to Dumont Property

The county is going on with the move.

Monthly Reports (Police, Fire dept., Zoning, and Water and Sewer)

Motion to accept the monthly by Shannon. Second by Kopka. Motion carried.

Comments by the Township Board

Vandenberg reports.

Clean up of 932 James St is on hold. A relative of the property owner has been located and is working with Allegan County.

ARPA Funds

The ARPA report has been filed.

Fire hydrants at Lake Doster need to be repainted. Vandenberg will talk to the fire department about getting this done.

Closed session.

Vandenberg motion to go into closed session. Kopka seconded. Roll call.

Shannon yes, Morehouse yes, Pearson yes, Vandenberg yes and Kopka yes. Motion carried.

Motion to come out of closed session by Vandenberg. Seconded by Morehouse. Roll call.

Shannon yes, Pearson yes, Vandenberg yes, Morehouse yes and Kopka yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Vandenberg to authorize attorney to dismiss Law suit with Vandeboss. Seconded by Kopka. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Morehouse. Second by Shannon. Motion carries 8:06.

Michael Van Der Berg