

**Charter Township of Gun Plain**

**Regular Monthly Meeting**

**August 3, 2023**

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by supervisor Vandenberg at 7:10 PM. The following board members were present Pearson, Horton, Gustafson and Vandenberg, Morehouse, Shannon and Meert Absent.

Also present was approximately 8 guests.

The pledge was recited.

**Minutes**

Horton motion to approve the minutes as written for July 13 2023. Gustafson seconded. Motion carried.

**Agenda**

Horton motion to approve the agenda. Gustafson seconded. Motion carried.

**Clerks Report**

The clerk's report was presented with a list of check's written for the month of July. Gustafson motion to accept the clerk's report. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

No report.

**Open to the public/none**

William Geresy 543 6<sup>th</sup> St. Plainwell Mi.

He is concerned about the lithium batteries in electric cars catching on fire.

John Spencer 5698 Woodbrooke Dr. Schoolcraft Mi.

State Rep Matt Hall is still on recess. He told the board moving forward that Gypsy Months are now being call Spongy Moths.

**New Business**

**Public Hearing (Truth and Taxation)**

Vandenberg motion to close the regular meeting and open the public hearing. Horton seconded. Motion carried. There was no public comments. Vandenberg motion to close the public hearing and reopen the regular meeting. Horton seconded. Motion carried. Vandenberg reported that a notice of the explanation on the rollback an increase is noticed in the paper, Vandenberg explained that this is really not an increase, he also explained because the Headley rolls back a percentage each year, you must increase the amount of 1.9171 rollback in order to keep the taxes at the same rate of 4.5431. Gustafson motioned to set our millage rate at 4.5431. Horton seconded. Horton yes, Pearson yes, Gustafson yes, and Vandenberg yes. Motion carried. Absent Meert, Shannon and Morehouse.

### **Ordinance #183 to rezone Lot #61 Alpine Estates from C-2 to R-2**

Horton motion to approve Ordinance #183 to rezone Lot #61 from C-2 to R-2. Gustafson seconded. Gustafson yes, Vandenberg yes, Pearson yes and Horton yes. Motion carried. Absent Meert, Shannon and Morehouse.

### **Engine Brake Ordinance**

Vandenberg motion to table this discussion. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

### **Master Plan**

Vandenberg Emailed all the board members a draft of the Master Plan, with a couple of changes. Page 23-corrected to read less than 10 vacant lots, a total of 276 lots and a correction to the Future Land Use map to show a change in zoning to R-3, Lot #61 of Alpine Estates.

### **Assessing Audit**

The audit is done and passed.

### **282 Doster Rd**

Vandenberg has a letter from PCI to the owner describing the issues.

### **FEMA Flood Insurance**

FEMA approved the Townships Flood Insurance program.

### **Michigan Gas Franchise**

Vandenberg presented the board with a new franchise agreement from Michigan Gas. Will set a date for a public meeting to approve the new agreement.

### **Old Business**

#### **Water at Doster**

No complaints.

#### **Moving County Offices out to Dumont Lake**

Still moving forward.

#### **Sewer System Lake Doster**

Fleis & Vandenberg are working with Ricco at Perceptive Controls to assess the system.

#### **Spongy (Gypsy) Moths**

The Township board set a public meeting for September 25, 2023 @ 7:00 pm. To discuss the moths.

#### **Monthly Reports**

Vandenberg motion to accept the monthly reports. Seconded by Horton. Motion carried.

**Board comments**

None

**Open to the Public**

Gale Dugan Allegan County Commissioner gave a synopsis of the County Commissioners July 2023 meetings.

**Adjournment**

Horton motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm. Seconded by Gustafson. Motion carried.

Michael VanDer Berg