

Charter Township of Gun Plain/City of Plainwell

Public Hearing

January 22, 2013

Gun Plain Township and the City of Plainwell attended a special meeting on January 22, 2013 at 7:00 pm to hold a Public Hearing for the purpose of discussing a possible 425 agreement between the two municipalities.

Gun Plain Township Board

The following board members were present Horton, Moerman, Pearson, Meert, Vandenberg and Kopka. Absent: Morehouse.

City of Plainwell members

Also present was City Manager Eric Wilson, Mayor Brooks, Councilman Overhuel, Councilman Keeney, Councilman Steele, Clerk Farmer, Allegan County Commissioner Black, Mike Henry and Tim Bowman
Absent: Keeler.

Public Hearing/425 Agreement

Vandenberg motioned to close the regular meeting and open the public hearing. Kopka seconded. The boards open the floor for comments and discussion pertaining to 954 E Bridge Street Plainwell Mi. 51% of this property is in Gun Plain Township and 49% is in the City, the parcel number for the portion within Gun Plain Township is 0308-029-045-00. Wilson stated that the former Floor Décor has been purchased by a landscaping company Total Property Management (TPM) has submitted an application for a business-revolving loan (\$10,000), from the City of Plainwell. There was no public comment. Vandenberg motioned to close the Public Hearing and return to the regular meeting. Brooks seconded. Motion carried.

Vandenberg stated that the township did not have a problem with going ahead with the 425 agreement with the City of Plainwell; the 425 agreement would put the building in the City limits for 50 years. Taxes would be split 51% City, 49% Township. All services, water, sewer, public works, Police, and fire would fall under the City's control. Vandenberg stated that it is better than having a building setting empty, a business would be welcomed in the area. City Manager Wilson agreed.

Resolution 2013-1

A Resolution to approve the Supervisor and Clerk to sign an agreement with the City of Plainwell for the conditional transfer of property pursuant to 1984 PA 425, as amended. Parcel # 03-08-029-045-00

See attached Resolution

Kopka moved to approve resolution 2013-1 that would enter into a 425 agreement with the City of Plainwell for the property located at 954 E. Bridge Street Plainwell, Michigan. Vandenberg seconded.

Moerman yes, Meert yes, Horton yes, Pearson yes, Kopka yes and Vandenberg yes. Absent Morehouse. Mayor Brooks abstained from voting due to the fact that he worked for the applicant.

Other Items

The Gun Plain Township Board and City of Plainwell Board discussed other projects.

Cemetery

Airport

Kalamazoo River/Fishing

Recycling Program

Water

Bike Path

Adjournment

Vandenberg motioned to adjourn at 7:50 PM. Meert seconded. Motion carried.