

Charter Township of Gun Plain

Special Meeting

With Otsego Township

May 9, 2013

Vandenberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm on May 9, 2013 at the Otsego Township Hall. The following board members was present Morehouse, Pearson, Meert, Horton, Vandenberg and Kopka. Absent Moerman.

Roads

Pearson motioned to accept the bid from Michigan Paving Material in the amount of \$142,595.50 for the 2013 road projects. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Police

The board met to discuss Gun Plain Township's deputy contract, Vandenberg explained to Otsego's board that our contracted deputy is spending almost 50% of his time responding to Otsego Township calls. Kopka stated that our tax payers are paying for this deputy and he is spending much of his time in your township at our expense. Otsego supervisor Winn stated that he feels his residents are paying for police protection already and feels the Sherriff Department and Allegan County should come up with a way to supply more deputies for the residents. The Sherriff Department was present and stated that with all the cuts to the department most days there are six officers on call each shift to cover all of Allegan County. Supervisor Winn and his board did not feel the residents in Otsego Township would vote to have a deputy. Winn stated that his township did not have the most calls in the county for 2012 that Allegan Township had them beat by one call they had 1401 and Otsego had 1400. Kopka stated that of our 195 calls in Gun Plain Township that our contracted deputy responded to, he also responded to 92 calls for Otsego Township. Winn stated that at this time the board is not interested, but his board would discuss this matter further.

Recycling

Otsego will be hosting a tire pick up in September 2013.

Gun Plain Township will look into an electronic pickup for fall 2013.

Roads

Vandenberg informed Otsego Township that he recently attended supervisor classes, at the class they discussed a new product for gravel roads that can be converted to concrete then chip sealed. Winn will contact Vandenberg to get more information on this product.

Adjournment

Vandenberg motioned to adjourn at 7:58 pm. Meert seconded. Motion carried.