

## **Charter Township of Gun Plain**

### **Regular Monthly Meeting**

**February 4, 2016**

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

Also present was approximately 5 guests.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### **Minutes**

Horton motion to accept the minutes as written for January 19, 2016 in January 7, 2016. Morehouse seconded motion carried.

#### **Agenda Approval**

Vandenberg motion to approve the agenda with two amendments under new business #3 water, #6 six recycling. Shannon seconded. Motion carried

#### **Clerks Report**

Meert presented the board with a list of checks written for January 2016, and a copy of the enterprise funds. Morehouse motioned to approve the clerks report as presented. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Horton reported that the general fund balance was \$1,444,088.00 and the Raymond James investment fund balance was \$237,515.00. Vandenberg motion to approve the treasures report as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Public Hearing**

Vandenberg motion to close the regular meeting and open the public hearing. Kopka seconded. Motion carried. There were no public comments. Vandenberg motioned to close the public hearing and open the regular meeting. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Public Hearing Ordinance No. 160**

Ordinance 160 is to amend ordinance No. 156 article V1, section 6.3 Specific Discharge Prohibitions. Shannon motion to approve Ordinance No.160. Horton seconded. Shannon yes, Horton yes, Pearson yes, Vandenberg yes, Kopka yes, Morehouse yes and Meert yes. Motion carried.

#### **Open to Public/none**

#### **New business**

#### **Salary Resolutions**

Vandenberg reported that there are no changes to salaries.(All resolutions are on file in the clerk's office for review)

#### **Supervisor**

Meert motioned to accept the Supervisors salary resolution as presented effective April 1, 2016. Horton seconded. Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes, Pearson yes, Horton yes, Shannon yes and Meert yes. Motion carried.

#### **Clerk**

Kopka motioned to accept the Clerks salary resolution as presented effective April 1, 2016. Morehouse seconded. Shannon yes, Horton yes, Pearson yes, Vandenberg yes, Kopka yes, Morehouse yes, and Meert yes. Motion carried.

#### **Treasurer**

Pearson motioned to accept the treasures salary resolution as presented effective April 1, 2016. Shannon seconded. Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes, Pearson yes, Horton yes, Shannon yes and Meert yes. Motion carried.

#### **Trustee/Pearson**

Meert motioned to accept salary resolution effective April 1, 2016. Shannon seconded. Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Pearson yes, Vandenberg yes, Horton yes, Shannon yes and Meert yes. Motion carried.

#### **Trustee/Shannon**

Meert motioned to accept salary resolution effective April 1, 2016. Vandenberg seconded. Motion carried. Horton yes, Meert yes, Shannon yes, Morehouse yes, Pearson yes, Kopka yes and Vandenberg yes. Motion carried.

#### **Trustees**

#### **Vandenberg motion to accept the salary resolution effective April 1, 2016.**

Vandenberg motion to accept salary resolution effective April 1, 2016. Pearson seconded. Meert yes, Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes, Horton yes, Shannon yes and Pearson yes. Motion carried.

#### **Master Plan**

Vandenberg stated that the Planning Commission recommended that the Gun Plain Township board approved the changes and updates to the Master Plan. Kopka motioned to approve the changes to the Master Plan including the Maps as recommended by the planning commission. Vandenberg seconded. Kopka yes, Morehouse yes, Vandenberg yes, Horton yes, Pearson yes, Shannon yes and Meert yes.

#### **Appointment of Election Workers/March 8, 2016**

Vandenberg motioned to approve the following workers for the March 8, 2016 election, Shelly Reardon, Dana Albertson, Necole Yaw, Julie Shannon, to name Pearson, Annette Horton, Samantha Vandenberg, Amy Hamilton and one alternate.

### **Perceptive Service and Operation Contract**

Vandenberg stated that affected April 1, 2016 there will be a 3% increase to their current contract. Shannon motion to approve the contract with a 3% increase effective April 1, 2016. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

### **Water**

Vandenberg reported to the board and public that a letter would be sent to all residents that purchase municipal water to ensure them that our drinking water source is ground water and all the steps are taken to provide safe water.

### **Recycling**

Vandenberg reported that he has been in contact Chef Container and Ben at Allegan County, Chef wants to charge the township a surcharge now, which will make the cost of recycling higher to the Township, we currently are in the negative with the County, which means we are going to have to either pay from the general fund or possibly put a question on the August ballot requesting an increase from the \$25.00 a year we currently charge. Kopka attended a meeting with Allegan County and Chef Container Kopka stated that they are ensuring us that there is no wiggle room on cost. The board will sit down and go over the information that we have and decide what our options are.

### **Old Business**

#### **Roads**

#### **Dust Control**

Morehouse motioned to accept Bruce Allen's bid in the amount of \$12,016.00 for three dust applications. Meert seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Road Mowing**

Vandenberg motioned to do three mowing for 2016. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

Roads work to be done for 2016 this includes chip seal and fog coat, asphalt, gravel and crack seal. The estimated cost for the projects is approximately \$873,422.00. Chip Seal and Fog Coat, Baseline road with Cooper Township, 110<sup>th</sup> Ave and 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. from Township line to 5<sup>th</sup> Street, 9<sup>th</sup> Street from 106<sup>th</sup> Ave. to 110<sup>th</sup> Ave., 11 Street from 110<sup>th</sup> Ave. 106<sup>th</sup> Ave., 105<sup>th</sup> Ave. from 6<sup>th</sup> Street to dead-end, 109<sup>th</sup> Ave. from 106<sup>th</sup> Ave. to Doster road, Gravel 107<sup>th</sup> Ave. off 11<sup>th</sup> Street, 108<sup>th</sup> Ave. off 10<sup>th</sup> St., Baseline road off 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Asphalt 4<sup>th</sup> Street between M- 89, and Riverview Drive, 10<sup>th</sup> St. from 106<sup>th</sup> Ave. to 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue. (For a complete list of roads please visit [gun.plain.org](http://gun.plain.org). or see your local clerk) Kopka motioned to approve the list. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Enzymes**

Vandenberg is working with Allegan County road commission on a possible project on 110<sup>th</sup> from 5<sup>th</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> Street for 2017. Vandenberg will keep the board informed on the status of this project.

#### **108<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

No updates.

**Monthly Reports**

Deputy Bronson was present and updated the board on monthly activities, the following written reports were presented fire, zoning and water and sewer. Vandenberg motion to accept the reports as presented. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

**Open to the public**

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

**Adjournment**

Vandenberg motion to adjourn at 8:36 PM. Meert seconded. Motion carried.