

**Charter Township of Gun Plain**

**Regular Monthly Meeting**

**May 2, 2013**

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by supervisor Vandenberg at 7:00 pm. the following board members were present Meert, Horton, Kopka, Pearson, and Vandenberg. Absent Morehouse and Moerman.

The pledge was recited.

Also present was approximately 6 guests.

**Minutes**

Pearson motioned to accept the minutes as written for April 4, 2013. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

**Approval of Agenda**

Vandenberg motioned to approve the agenda with the following additions New Business Well Head Protection program and Old Business Meth.

**Clerks Report**

Meert presented the board with a list of checks written for the month of April 2013 and a copy of the enterprise funds. Pearson motioned to accept the clerks report as presented. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

Horton reported that the 5/3<sup>rd</sup> checking balance for April 30, 2013 was \$1,021,879.76, 5/3<sup>rd</sup> CD was \$37,694.53 and the Raymond James Investment fund balance was \$235,998.52. Pearson motioned to accept the report as presented. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

**Open to the Public**

None

**New Business**

**Trailer Park Fees**

Horton explained that we received a letter from Allegan County Treasurer Department explaining that our last Treasurer had not paid the fees for the Trailer Park and the township currently owes \$23,290.00. Vandenberg explained this item was received over the past four years and put into the general fund, however should have been disbursed and it was not. Vandenberg motioned to pay \$23,290.00 out of the general fund to pay the County for the Trailer Park Fess from 2008 to current date. Horton seconded. Meert yes, Horton yes, Kopka yes, Pearson yes, Vandenberg yes. Absent Morehouse and Moerman. Motion carried.

**Wellhead Protection Program Renewal**

Meert motioned to move forward with the renewal of the wellhead protection grant program the township will match a \$ 3,000.00 grant. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

## **Old Business**

### **Fracking**

Vandenberg informed the board that our attorney informed us that we cannot put a moratorium on Fracking, the township cannot restrict the company or resident's from drilling. Vandenberg motioned to rescind Resolution #2013-5. Horton seconded. Pearson yes, Horton yes, Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes and Meert yes. Motion carried. Absent Morehouse and Moerman.

The township will host a meeting on June 19, 2013 with Flow, the Planning Commission and the Township board to discuss Fracking. The board will also host meetings on June 27, 2013, July 17, 2013 and August 21, 2013. The meetings are open to the public for any questions regarding Fracking.

### **Meth**

Vandenberg updated the board on the Meth problems within the township.

### **Monthly Reports**

Warnement reported that the fire department responded to six calls in April 2013.

Deputy Bronson gave a report on monthly activities.

Horizon submitted a written report.

Ordinance Enforcer Menzie submitted a written report.

Vandenberg motioned to accept the reports as presented. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Moerman present at 7:25 pm.

### **Comments**

Vandenberg updated the board on meetings he attended in Lansing. One item that he Vandenberg is currently looking into is the road products that are used to convert dirt roads into a form of concrete, then the road is roll and chip sealed. Vandenberg plans to travel to Berrien County in the near future to visit some of the roads that have been built out of this material.

Vandenberg reminded the board and public that we are having a special meeting with Otsego Township on May 9, 2013 at 7:00 pm. at Otsego Township Hall.

### **Open to the Public**

Commissioner Black updated the board and public on County activities.

### **Adjournment**

Vandenberg motioned to adjourn at 7:55 pm. Meert seconded. Motion carried.