

Charter Township of Gun Plain

Regular Monthly Meeting

November 2, 2017

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approximately 2 guests were present.

**Minutes**

Pearson motion to approve the minutes as written for November 2, 2017. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

**Agenda**

Vandenberg motion to approve the agenda with the following amendments #3 budget amendments fire Department, #4 fire Department Christmas dinner, #5 medical marijuana, #6 mini grant and under old business #3 water Lake Doster area. Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

**Clerks Report**

Meert presented the board with a list of checks written for October 2017. Kopka motioned to approve the clerks report as presented. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasures Report/none**

**Open to the public/none**

**New Business**

**Bike Trail**

Vandenberg reported that they are currently looking for an municipality to be the leading authority to handle the bike trail project.

**Police Officer Request**

The Holtman estate will be having an estate sale on November 11 at 9 AM they are requesting two reserve officers for the day, Vandenberg contacted the Allegan County Sheriff Department and they will provide two reserve officers at \$16 each per hour for a total of \$224.00. Vandenberg motion to approve two reserve officers from 9 AM to 4 PM at \$16 per hour to be paid up front by Holtman's before Wednesday, November 8, 2017. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

**Budget amendment fire Department**

Pearson motion to amend the budget from the firemen's reserve fund in the amount of \$6230.00. Horton seconded. Horton yes, Shannon yes, Pearson yes, Vandenberg yes, Kopka yes and Meert yes. Absent Morehouse. Motion carried.

### **Firemen's Annual Dinner**

Kopka motioned to approve the firemen's dinner and \$25 per firemen. Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

### **Medical Marijuana**

Vandenberg reported that the moratorium comes off December 19, 2017 The Planning Commission recommended to the township board to not opt in to the Medical Marijuana License Facilities Act 281 of 2016 and pass a resolution to not opt in. The Planning Commission gave the following reasons for their decision to not opt in: against federal Law, Township survey had more no responses than yes responses, State seminars showed no benefits to a community, The Allegan County Commissioners and Sherriff Department is not in favor of the act. Vandenberg will have the resolution for the December 2017 meeting.

### **Mini Grant**

The grant is for the infrastructure of water and sewer in the amount of \$5000.00. Shannon motion to allow Vandenberg to move ahead with the grant process. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

### **Old Business**

#### **Steel Cemetery lots**

Vandenberg motion to bring the subject off the table. Pearson seconded. Motion carried. Vandenberg made the executive decision after reviewing all the documentation to grant the Steels the two remaining lots purchased in 1952 and to issue deeds to Todd William Steel for a transfer fee of \$60.00 Vandenberg motioned to issue deeds to Todd William Steele. Kopka seconded. Kopka yes, Horton yes, Pearson yes, Shannon yes, Vandenberg yes and Meert no. Motion carried. Absent Morehouse.

#### **Water on Eagle Green**

The problem with the discoloration of the water on Eagle Green is still going on, not all days but most of the time they are still having problems with rust in their water. Vandenberg reported that they had been flushing that area to try to control the problem. The board agrees that this area should not pay for the use water. Meert motioned to not bill these homes on Eagle Green until we resolve the issue. Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Monthly Reports**

The following written reports were submitted, police report, water and sewer and Allegan County Commissioner report. Vandenberg motion to approve the reports as presented. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Comments Township Board**

Vandenberg reported that the newsletter will be going out in December and taxes, the board set budget workshop meeting for Wednesday November 29 at 3 PM.

Vandenberg reported that he was at the road meeting and spoke with MDOT pertaining to the house on M 89 next to the entrance of the Cemetery, they are having problems with water flowing and flooding their yard.

**Open to the public/none**

**Adjournment**

Vandenberg motion to adjourn at 7:47 PM. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.