

**Charter Township of Gun Plain**

**Regular Monthly Meeting**

**April 4, 2019**

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approximately 6 guests were present.

**Minutes**

Kopka motion to accept the minutes for February 7, 2019 and March 7, 2019. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

**Agenda**

Vandenberg motion to approve the agenda with the following amendments under new business, 5. First read ordinance 170, 6. AT&T Metro act, 7. New phones and security cameras and electricity, 8. MTA conference, 9. Sewer rate increase 3.5, 10. Nonpartisan debate, 11. Lift station number two quote and 12. Lake short advantage. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

**Clerks report**

Meert presented the board with a list of checks written for March 2019. Morehouse motion to accept the clerks report as presented. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasures report/none**

**Open to the public/none**

**New Business**

**4. Resolution 2019 – 2 Mute Swan management**

Kopka motion to approve resolution 2019 – 2. Morehouse seconded. Vandenberg yes, Kopka yes, Shannon yes and Meert yes. Absent Horton and Pearson.

**1. ODC Kalamazoo Greenway Plan**

ODC Kalamazoo Greenway plan are looking for endorsements from local levels of government to apply for grants to help with this project. Kopka motioned to allow Mike Vandenberg to approve and sign the resolution after the draft is completed. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

**2. First Read Ordinance 169 Fireworks**

This was the first read of ordinance 169. Vandenberg set a public hearing for May 2, 2019 for a second reading. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

**3. Appointment of election workers**

Vandenberg motion to approve Meert and Julie Shannon to cover the required hours with the May 7, 2019 election. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

**5. First read ordinance 170**

The board reviewed the first reading of ordinance 170 marijuana and Vandenberg set May 2, 2019 for the public hearing on ordinance 170 marijuana. Meert seconded. Motion carried.

**6. AT&T Metro act**

Kopka motion to approve the extension with AT&T. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

**7. New phone system, security camera and electricity**

Vandenberg explained that the new bid came and we will need to take \$10,800 from last year's budget to pay to update the new phone system that is more than 30 years old. Shannon motion to take \$10,800 from last year's budget to use for this project. Morehouse seconded. Shannon yes, Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes and Meert yes. Absent Horton and Pearson.

**8. MTA conference**

Vandenberg updated the board and public on many things that will be coming down the pike the new assessing law **public act 660** is one of the biggest projects. The new system will be in place by December 31, 2021, but many changes take effect in 2020. (Information only).

The board set a special meeting for Tuesday April 23, 2019 at 5:00 PM to discuss the changes.

**9. Sewer rate increase 3.5%**

The city of Plainwell will be increasing our sewer rates according to the CPI 3.5% the board will wait for the resolution from Vandenberg before approving this increase.

**10. Nonpartisan debate MTA conference discussion**

Vandenberg inform the board and public that there was a lot of discussion at the MTA conference about townships citizen village moving to a nonpartisan status. (Information only)

**11. Lift station number two quote**

Meert motion to approve the bid to repairs lift station number two. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

**12. Lake Shore Advantage**

(Information only) this item was already approved and budgeted.

**Old Business**

Generator quotes Vandenberg reported that he has one bid at this time.

**Phone system**

This item was covered under new business item #7.

**Monthly reports**

Vandenberg motion to approve the reports as presented. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

Kopka motion to adjourn at 8:30 PM. Vandenberg seconded. Motion carried.