

Gun Plain Charter Township

Regular Monthly Meeting

April 7, 2022

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

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes

Shannon motioned to approve the minutes as written. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda

Vandenberg added #7 road bids and #8 Planning Commission Board. Morehouse motion to approve the agenda as amended. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Clerks report

Meert presented the board with a list of checks written for March 2022. Shannon motioned to approve the clerks report as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Treasures report

Horton reported that the general fund balance was \$4,154,566.75 and the Raymond James balance was \$243,993. That Pearson motioned to approve the treasures report as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Open to the public/none

New Business

Police Car

Vandenberg reported that he will sit down with Deputy Bronson and they will get the new car ordered.

Request to combine property at 296 Doster Road

The owner of the parcels located at 296 Doster Road has requested to combine 0308-200-069-00 and 0308-025-003-30. Pearson motioned to approve the request to combine the two parcels. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Siren at Doster

Vandenberg reported to the board that the emergency siren located in Lake Doster is currently not working. Vandenberg reported that to replace the siren is approximately \$4300. Morehouse motioned to approve Westshore's \$4300 bid to replace the siren at the Lake Doster area. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Resolution 2022 – 5 Gun River West MHP

Vandenberg motioned to take resolution 2022-5 on the table in order to discuss the resolution. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried. Vandenberg reported that he had spoken to Eagle and Eagle stated that there was grant money that possibly could be available to help these people out. Vandenberg reported that the galvanized pipes are from 1963. Vandenberg stated that the only issue considering taking this system over is there is a third-party billing, the Township would not be able to bill the residents directly. Morehouse stated that it would be in the Township special interests not to consider taking over their system if there is still a third-party billing in place. Morehouse motion to approve resolution 2022 – 5. Shannon seconded. Vandenberg yes, Shannon yes, Horton yes, Meert yes, Pearson yes, Kopka yes and Morehouse yes. Motion carried.

Fire Truck

Chief Meert and Assistant Chief Kris Currier were present to discuss a new fire truck (Demo), they explained that engine 10 is currently out of compliance. Currier stated that the fire truck that they are looking at was a dual engine and tanker so you're really getting two uses on one fire truck, he informed the board that if we order a new fire truck the approximately time is two years and the price increase would be approximately 100,000.00 to 150,000 more and said that would be on the low end. Vandenberg motioned for the Township to procure a Fire Truck because we have an exigency need that does not allow the Township to bid out the truck. The truck is available now as a demo. If the Township were to bid it out it would take two years before a truck would be ready, we will pay half now and the rest when the ARAP funding comes in. Pearson seconded. Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes, Horton yes, Pearson yes, Shannon yes and Meert yes. Motion carried.

Road bids

Vandenberg presented the board with the bids that we received on the roads for 2022. Black Gold came back with the lowest bid. The bid was \$852,000, plus approximately an additional 10%. Morehouse motioned to accept Black Gold's bid for \$852,000, Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

Planning Commission

Vandenberg reported to the board that the Planning Commission board is upset because they were not informed about the 425 agreement with the City of Plainwell. Vandenberg told the Planning Commission members that a 425 agreement has nothing to do with their board, it is a Township Board decision. Vandenberg reminded board members the next joint meeting is May 18 at 6 PM.

Fire Department Complaint

The employee requested to go into closed session.

Pearson motioned to go into close session. Shannon seconded. Kopka yes, Morehouse yes, Vandenberg yes, Meert yes, Horton yes, Pearson yes and Shannon yes. Motion carried. Vandenberg motioned to close the close session and return to our regular meeting. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business

Water at Doster

Vandenberg reported that the State of Michigan Department of Environment and Great Lakes (EGLE) sampled Lake Doster water system for Dioxin and none was detected.

Monthly Reports

Water and sewer and Planning commission minutes were permits and Fire department was given. Vandenberg motion to approve the reports as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Township Board Members Comments

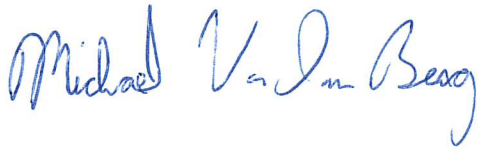
Kopka ask when the next joint meeting was with the Planning Commission board. May 18, 2022 at 6PM.

Vandenberg reported that the MTA was April 25 thru April 28, 2022.

Open to the Public/None

Motion to adjourn

Vandenberg motioned to adjourn. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Van In Berg". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M" and "V".