

Gun Plain Charter Township

Regular Monthly Meeting

May 5, 2022

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

Vandenberg requested a moment of silence for Bill Geresy mother Joyce.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes

Shannon motioned to approve the minutes as written for April 7, 2022. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of agenda

Shannon motioned to approve the agenda with the following amendments under New business 0 soccer, 7 resolution 2022-6 Gun River East water, and 8 Facebook authorization for supervisor to post Township related Items, 9 Fireworks permits, under Old Business 2, Letter to AG. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Open to the public/none

New business

The representatives for soccer AYSO and Force were present and requested a new contract, the contract they are working with is from 1987. The board agreed they should submit a proposed new contract to the board for approval.

Police car

Sheriff Baker and Rob Saro present to discuss the purchase of a new deputy car that was totaled. The Allegan County Sheriff Department would like the Township to allow the county to purchase the car. The county would allow the Township to keep the money from the other car. If the Township agrees to these terms the contract would be based on the 75/25 proposal from the County. Shannon motioned to allow the supervisor to work with Allegan County Sheriff Department to make the final determination on the contract. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Request to combine parcels 08-543-043-00, 08-543-044-00, 08-543-048-00 and 08-035-014-10.

Shannon motioned to approve the request to combine the parcels. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

First read on ordinance 178

Ordinance 178 was presented to the board for the first read. Vandenberg stated that we can take action on May 18, 2022 at the joint meeting with the Planning Commission.

S.O.G. #8 Grievance Guidelines

Vandenberg is recommending that the board approves the new SOG #8 Shannon motioned to approve #8 as submitted. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Perspectives contract for 2022

Shannon motioned to approve the contract as presented. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Planning Commission pay

They are requesting to be paid the same rate as a trustee \$3825.00 plus \$574.00 pension

Meert motioned to table until the June meeting when we have a full board. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

Resolution -2022-6 Gun River East water

Now, therefore, it be resolved that gun plain charter Township refuses to accept ownership of or operate, maintenance, and administrative responsibility for said particular drinking water supply. Gun Plain Charter Township endorses the application of Gun River East MHP to continue these responsibilities under state permit Kopka motioned to accept resolution 2022-6. Shannon second. Meert yes, Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes, Horton yes, Shannon yes. Absent Pearson and Morehouse. Motion carried.

Facebook account

Shannon motioned to approve the use of the Facebook account that would allow the supervisor to post Township items as needed. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Fireworks

Lake Doster Association applied for an application for fireworks for July 9, 2022. Kopka motioned to approve the fireworks permit. Shannon second. Motion carried.

Old business

Water at Doster

Mike reported to the board that the consumer reports were mailed out to water residents in Gun Plain Township.

Well #2 needs to be overhauled

Peerless Midwest submitted an estimate to overhaul well #2. The estimate is approximately \$38,850. Shannon motioned to accept and approve peerless Midwest estimate of \$38,850 to overhaul well #2. Horton seconded. Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes, Horton yes, Shannon yes and Meert yes. Absent Pearson and Morehouse. Motion carried.

Letter to Attorney General

Kopka motioned that The Gun Plain Township Board of Trustees send a letter in support of the Letter received from Christian Neighbors to seek a resolution of affordable water and fair billing practices for the residents of Gun River East and West Mobile Home Parks in Gun Plain Township and Watson Mobile

Home Park in Otsego Township. Shannon seconded. Motion carried. Each board member signed the letter.

Monthly Reports

Planning Commission minutes and water/sewer report. Vandenberg motioned to approve the reports as presented. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Board Comments

Vandenberg updated the board on the ARPA funds.

Open to the Public/none

Adjournment

Kopka motioned to adjourn at 8:21 PM. Meert seconded. Motion carried.

Michael VanDer Berg