

## **Charter Township of Gun Plain**

### **Regular Monthly Meeting**

**February 1, 2024**

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approximately 35 guests were present.

#### **Minutes**

Shannon motioned to approve the minutes for January 4, 2024's as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Agenda**

Vandenberg motioned to approve the agenda adding #5 grant for zoning and to move Fleis and Vanderbrink up to number 0. Morehouse seconded motion carried.

#### **Clerks report**

Meert present the board with a list of checks written for January 2024. Shannon motioned to approve the clerks report as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Treasures report/none too early.**

Gustafson ask the Treasurer if should would present the board quarterly with a list of delinquent water and sewer accounts.

#### **Open to the public**

Allegan County Commissioner Dugan updated the board in public on County activities.

#### **New business**

Fleis and Vandenberg was present to discuss the sewer system at Lake Doster. They recently did a survey of the entire system and reported that many stations for 40+ years old and the newer system that is approximately 23 years old is starting to fail. The approximate costs to update the entire system is approximately \$3.4 million. They suggested that we could apply for grants but our chances of getting them are almost impossible. They also mentioned that we could apply for rural development loan which takes in about a year or more to be considered for approval and approval rate is very low. They suggested that we look for a bonding agency with a low interest rate. Board members would like to meet with the Lake Doster residents to get their input on this issue whether they would like their bill monthly to be increased to pay

off the debt or what they like an assessment yearly on their taxes if possible. The board will try to set up a meeting in the next two months with the Lake Doster residents.

### **Resolution 2024-3 Master Plan and Future Plan Use Map**

Vandenberg motioned to approve resolution 2024-3. There was no second the motion failed. The board set March 20, 2024 at 6 PM to discuss the master plan with the planning commission. 3 Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Vandenberg motioned to table resolution 2024-3 Master Plan until the board meet with the Planning Commission. Meert seconded. Motion carried.

### **Salary Resolutions**

#### **Supervisor**

Shannon motioned to approve the supervisor's salary resolution. Meert seconded. Morehouse yes, Gustafson yes, Meert yes, Vandenberg yes, Pearson yes, Horton yes and Shannon yes. Motion carried.

#### **Clerks**

Morehouse motion to approve the clerk's salary resolution. Gustafson seconded. Shannon yes, Horton yes, Pearson yes, Vandenberg yes, Morehouse yes, Meert yes and Gustafson yes. Motion carried.

#### **Treasures**

Morehouse motion to approve the treasures salary resolution. Shannon seconded. Meert yes, Gustafson yes, Pearson yes, Morehouse yes, Shannon yes, Vandenberg yes and Horton yes. Motion carried.

Trustee Morehouse and Gustafson salary resolutions. Meert motioned to approve the resolutions. Shannon seconded. Morehouse yes, Vandenberg yes, Horton yes, Pearson yes, Shannon yes, Gustafson yes, Vandenberg yes and Meert yes. Motion carried.

Trustee Pearson salary resolution. Vandenberg motioned to approve Pearson salary resolution. Morehouse seconded. Morehouse yes, Vandenberg yes, Horton yes, Pearson yes, Shannon yes, Gustafson yes, Vandenberg yes and Meert yes. Motion carried.

Trustee Shannon salary resolution. Morehouse motioned to approve Shannon's salary resolution. Meert seconded. Meert yes, Gustafson yes. Morehouse yes, Vandenberg yes, Pearson yes, Horton yes and Shannon yes. Motion carried.

### **Old business**

### **Water Doster**

No updates to report.

**Moving County Office to Dumont**

The County is moving forward with the move.

**Spongy Moths**

Vandenberg reported that Allegan County Conservation District has informed all municipalities that there is no funding available for this project.

**Michigan gas franchise.**

No updates to report.

**Health insurance**

Meert and Vandenberg will be meeting with other brokers on health insurance plans and all other building liabilities insurance and workmen's comp plans. .

**Monthly Reports**

Were presented. Pearson motioned to approve the monthly reports as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

**Open to the Public**

Nancy Gregory ask the board to update the sewer customer's on the sewer project.

**Adjournment**

Meert motioned to adjourn. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

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