# **Charter Township of Gun Plain**

# Regular Monthly meeting

# October 3, 2024

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

#### **Minutes**

Morehouse motion to approve the minutes written for September 5, 2024 and September 30, 2024 as presented. Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

#### Agenda

Vandenberg motioned to approve the agenda as amended under new business #4 Allegan County, #5 Cemetery, #6 planning commission and #7 Fire Department. Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

### Clerks report

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

## **Treasures report**

Horton reported that the August 24 general balance was \$4,555,054. And the Raymond James investment fund was \$253,745. Meert Motioned to approve the report as presented. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

# Open to the public

County Commissioner Dugan updated the board and public on County activities.

#### **New business**

# **Perspective Control Sewer Proposal at Lake Doster**

Perspective controls LLC was present to give the board an power point slide show on the system. Pearson motioned to move forward with the proposal to include bids for the project. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

## **Assessing report**

Heather updated the board on the work being done updating the assessing records.

# Dixon water tower report

Vandenberg presented the board with the Dixon Water Tower report.

#### Allegan County Community Foundation use of Township Hall

The board approved the request to use the Township Hall.

### Cemetery

Vandenberg and Meert are looking to update the Cemetery posting of locations to make it easier for residents to find an area and range located within Cemetery. Horton motion to spend up to sixty dollars per post and amend the budget for the line item in Cemetery maintenance to be used. Pearson seconded. Meert yes, Gustafson yes, Pearson yes, Vandenberg yes, Morehouse yes, Shannon yes and Horton yes. Motion carried.

# **Planning Commission Board**

The Planning Commission Board has asked the Township board what we want them to do. The Township board requested Lori from PCI to look at all zones and make recommendations to the Township Board.

# Fire Department

Chief Meert submitted two applications for approval for the board to be hired James Gonzales and Dakota Dunklee. Morehouse motion to hire as recommended by the chief pending them passing their physicals. Gustafson seconded. Motion carried.

Cemetery and fire Department needs two cabinets to store gasoline and Vandenberg request to order the two cabinets at approximately \$2000 each from

Shannon motioned to allow Vandenberg to order two cabinets up to \$2000 each. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

# **Fire Department**

Several fire officers were present to recommend Gun Plain Township consider hiring a full-time Fire Chief. The board set a special meeting October 15 at 7 PM to discuss this issue.

#### Old business

Water Doster/no updates

Moving County offices out to Dumont/95% of the move is completed.

Sewer system Lake Doster/board discussed it earlier with prospective and will revisit it at the November 7, 2024 meeting.

Spongy moths/Vandenberg reported that there is no money being spent toward Gypsy moth spraying by Allegan County.

Health insurance/no updates.

## Monthly reports

Water and sewer and assessing reports were presented. Morehouse motion to approve the reports as presented. Meert seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Comments Township board members**

Vandenberg reported that we are having a soup drop-off.

# Open to the public/none

Michael Van Den Bery

# Adjournment

Morehouse motion to adjourn at 9:28 PM. Pearson seconded. Motion carried.