

Charter Township of Gun Plain

Regular Monthly Meeting

January 5, 2023

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes

Shannon motioned to approve the minutes as written for December 1, 2022 and November 30, 2022. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda

Vandenberg motioned to approve the agenda as amended 6. Website 7. Kitchen flooring 8. HAS and 9. Audit bids. Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

Clerks report

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

Treasures report

Horton reported that the general balance was \$3,229,806 and the Raymond James balance was \$244,336. Shannon motioned to approve the treasures report as presented. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Open to the public

County Commissioner Gale Dugan update the board and public on Allegan County activities.

New business

Set public hearing for 2023/2024 budget

Meert motion to set February 2, 2022 7 PM for the public hearing. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Appoint Planning Commission and ZBA members

Morehouse motion to reappoint Robert Bennett to the Planning Commission and reappoint Tim Oosting and Tom Bennick to the ZBA for three year terms ending in 2/2026. Pearson motioned to not reappoint Lynn Lee. Morehouse seconded. Morehouse yes, Horton yes, Vandenberg no, Meert yes, Shannon yes, Kopka yes and Pearson yes. Motion carried.

First read for 623 11th Street rezone request from C1 to C2

The board will act on this request at the February 2, 2023 regular monthly meeting.

Assistance to firefighters grants

Vandenberg informed the board that the Township did not receive the grant. The board will sit down with the fire department to discuss purchasing new apparatus. At the present time they are still in compliance.

Contract with Prein & Newhof

Meert motion to allow Vandenberg to sign the Professional Service Agreement contract with Prein & Newhof. Kopka seconded. Motion carried.

Website

Pearson motioned for Vandenberg to spend up to \$3000 for the website updates as needed. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Kitchen and Meeting Room Flooring

Shannon motioned to allow Vandenberg and Meert to spend up to \$15,000 to replace the flooring and replace the cabinets. Pearson seconded. Morehouse yes, Kopka yes, Vandenberg yes, Pearson yes, Horton yes, Shannon yes and Meert yes.

HSA

Kopka motioned to have the parent pay for their children insurance at the age of 21, beginning April 1 2023. Morehouse seconded. Motion carried.

Audit Bids

Meert motioned to accept Siegfried and Crandall Bid. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business

Water Doster

Vandenberg reported that some areas in Doster have seen some discoloration in their water.

Moving County Offices out to Dumont

The County Commissioners voted to spend up to ten million to start the process of possibly moving the County Clerk, County Treasurer and County Drain Commission offices to the Dumont area.

Monthly Reports

Pearson motioned to approve the reports as presented. Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Comments Township Board Members

Vandenberg noted that the cost of asphalt was \$62.00 a ton last year and the price for 2023 is currently at \$73.00 per ton.

Open to the public/none

Adjournment

Kopka motioned to adjourn. Meert seconded. Motion carried.

Michael Van Den Berg