

Charter Township of Emmett
Regular Board Meeting
November 8, 2012

Supervisor Dougherty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday November 8, 2012. The meeting was held at the Township Hall: 621 Cliff St, Battle Creek, MI 49014. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the opening.

BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE

Henrich, King, Maichele, Myers, O'Connor, Talbot, and Dougherty

QUORUM PRESENT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion 12-11-1 by Henrich/ Dougherty to approve the Agenda as printed by Teresa Myers, subject to any corrections.

Roll Call Vote: King, Maichele, Myers, O'Connor, Talbot, Henrich, and Dougherty

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion 12-11-2 by Henrich / Talbot to approve Consent Agenda without discussion

Roll Call Vote: Maichele, Myers, O'Connor, Talbot, Henrich, King, and Dougherty

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Treasurer's Report:

The Monthly Treasurer's Report with balances on hand as of September 30, 2012

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| General Fund | \$ 367,583.01 |
| SW Emmett Sewer/Water | \$ 1,464,196.29 |
| Sanitation Fund | \$ 251,766.84 |
| Project V Sewer Fund | \$ 286,665.26 |
| Drug Forfeiture Fund | \$ 64,670.68 |
| Public Safety Fund | \$ 49,589.84 |
| Public Safety Casino Fund | \$ 40,923.97 |
| Public Safety Extra | \$ 213,704.85 |

The Monthly Departmental Report:

Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes as printed.

Communications:

Announcements:

Township Planning Commission – Cancelled

Z.B.A. Meeting – November 27, 2012

Next Township Board Meeting – December 13, 2012

MONTHLY CHECK REGISTER

Motion 12-11-3 by Talbot / Dougherty to accept the Check Register as printed.

Roll Call Vote: Myers, O'Connor, Talbot, Henrich, King, Maichele and Dougherty

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments

DEPARTMENT VERBAL REPORTS

Supervisor

Nothing at this time will do later on.

Clerk

Thanked all Election Workers as it was a very long day and all the election inspectors did a wonderful job. We will still need more Election Workers if you would like to work contact the Clerk's office. We have been working at the County to get precincts certified we have two done and two to go. Would like to thank all workers one last time.

Treasurer

Would like to thank the Casino for all the new chairs for the board room that they donated and also Enbridge for all the office furniture as they closed down their office and donated the furniture to us. We are still collecting delinquent taxes, however, we still haven't heard from Triangle Trailer Park; Mr. Ramirez had made a promise but hasn't followed through again. There was conversation with all of the board members about the taxes for the Trailer Parks.

Supervisor

Supervisor Dougherty was asked by Election's Clerk JoAnn Kloack to thank everyone that stepped up and helped out during her absence it was greatly appreciated.

Planning and Zoning Business

Mr. Buckley announced that there would not be a Planning & Zoning meeting this Month on the 21, of November, but that there would be a ZBA meeting on the 27 of November. Buckley reported that his self and Dougherty had a pre-construction meeting with contractors representing Summit Point including the City & Utilities Company and that the project would be moving ahead and starting work on Tuesday, also added that there would be a short term closure on Golden Avenue while they lay the pipe under the street. Contractors will be getting with property owners on reseeding their lawns and repairing driveways and letting them know this work will most likely have to be done in the spring. Update on the Court Yard of Marriott still moving dirt. We have come up with a formula to figure out the Water and Sewer Connection fees. One last thing, there's a Resolution on the Agenda approving the Issuance of a Conditional Use Permit as recommended by the Planning Commission to Amanda Marie Conine as she needs this before she makes any changes to the property. O'Connor also commented on the Planning Commission recommending the Conditional Use Permit.

Motion 12-11-4 by O'Connor/Henrich to approve the recommendation of the Planning Commission Board to approve the Issuance of a Conditional Use Permit to Amanda Marie Conine for a Child Day Care Facility for up to Twelve (12) Children at 1300 Golden Avenue.

Roll Call Vote: O'Connor, Talbot, Henrich, King, Maichele, Myers, and Dougherty

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Assessing

Leslie explains the Assessing Policy that has been the same for the last thirty years. There was a lot of discussion on the Assessing Policy and the fact that there had not been a complaint for the last thirty years until recently. There were a couple of Board members that think we should look into tweaking our policy a little.

Dougherty commented that everyone's opinion is valid and that maybe we need to look into this process a little further.

Public Safety

Chief Olson went over his Monthly Activity Synopsis, and then talked about communities participating in neighborhood watches. Olson also commented on the accident that one of our officers was involved in on Michigan Avenue and stated that thankfully no one was injured real bad and that when one of our officers are involved in an accident we bring in someone from outside to investigate.

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

Resolution T12-13 (Beadle Lake Aquatic Weed Assessment Fees for 2012). – In back

Motion 12-11-5 by Dougherty/Talbot to except Beadle Lake Weed Assessment

Roll Call Vote: Talbot, Henrich, King, Maichele, Myers, O'Connor, and Dougherty

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Resolution Approving the Issuance of a Conditional Use Permit to Amanda Marie Conine for a Child Day Care Facility for up to Twelve (12) Children at 1300 Golden Avenue. – In back

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Randy Ramsey and Justin Crane answered questions from Board on report of the Michigan Avenue Sanitary Sewer Study that Mr. Ramsey handed out at the last Board Meeting. There was a lot of discussion on the Sewer System with Board Members and the Public.

Motion 12-11-6 by King/Dougherty for CEI to continue their report on testing usage and gas levels not to exceed \$15,000.00.

Roll Call Vote: Henrich, King, Maichele, Myers, Talbot and Dougherty

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

O'Connor **Qualified YES** (when you do billing if you could just note that it's LRSB money it will save a lot of time.)

Motion 12-11-7 by Talbot/ Dougherty to adopt the Fireworks Ordinance 1 of 2012. This document is in the Clerk's office if anyone would like to see it.

Roll Call Vote: Henrich, King, Maichele, Myers, O'Connor, Talbot, and Dougherty **ALL YES**
MOTION CARRIED

Motion 12-11-8 by O'Connor/Dougherty to adopt the Super Drunk Driving Ordinance 2 of 2012. This document is also in the Clerk's office if anyone would like to see it.

Roll Call Vote: Maichele, Myers, O'Connor, Talbot, Henrich, Dougherty **ALL YES**
MOTION CARRIED

King, **Qualified YES** (Question on why we could not enforce super Drunk Driving? Answered by Chief Olson.)

NEW BUSINESS

Assessing Inspections was done under Assessing with Mike Leslie

P.O.'s That Need Approval

#1 (1) (205-326-956.00) Field Training Officer for PSO Beach November 26-30, 2012 40 hours \$645.00.

#2 (1) (205-326-956.00) Software upgrade from FX2 to Edge FX – Accident reconstruction software \$945.00.

#3 (6) (101-191-939.01) Optech Insight Election Coding For the November 6, 2012 Presidential General Election Precincts/AVCB/Ballot Styles. \$380.00 State Contract Price Minus \$20.00 Memory Pack Burning/ Testing Discount Unit Price \$360.00, Total \$2,160.00.

#4 (1) (101-261-955.00) Martin Yale Model 1812 Folding Machine \$1,899.00.

Motion 12-11-9 by O'Connor/King to approve the first four PO's

Roll Call Vote: Maichele, Myers, O'Connor, Talbot, Henrich, King, and Dougherty **ALL YES**
MOTION CARRIED

Discussion on the D and E Drive Road Signs that were \$1,350.00 for six signs.

Chief Olson explained that these are County Roads not ours and we did this for the people that live on these roads.

Motion 12-11-10 by Dougherty/Talbot not to purchase the road signs for D & E Drive

Roll Call Vote: Henrich, King, Maichele, Myers, O'Connor, Talbot, and Dougherty **ALL YES**
MOTION CARRIED

28 Smith & Wesson .380 Caliber Model BG 380 back-up weapons for Officers \$233.48 for a total of \$6,537.44.

Chief Olson explained the situation on the purchase by buying a larger quantity Public Safety would get a better deal, if you went out on the market you would have to pay a lot more. The reason we (Public Safety) would like to purchase them as were seeing a lot more violence now and want to keep our Officers safe. Officers will have to qualify for them; most of the training is done at work.

Motion 12-11-11 by Henrich/Dougherty to approve the purchase of 28 Smith And Wesson 380 for a total of \$6,537.44.

Roll Call Vote: King, Maichele, Myers, O'Connor, Talbot, Henrich, and Dougherty **ALL YES**
MOTION CARRIED

Motion 12-11-12 by O'Connor/Henrich to approve 5(205-314-956.00) rooms at a hotel for BIA training (3 nights @ \$110.00) of December 3,4,and 5th 9 Officers attending Mandatory training Olson, Geigle, Novar, Newman, K. Crawford, Graves, Schwarz, Johnson, Estree. \$330.00 for a total not to exceed \$1,650.00.

Roll Call Vote: Myers, O'Connor, Talbot, Henrich, King, Maichele, and Dougherty **ALL YES**
MOTION CARRIED

Motion 12-11-13 by Dougherty/O'Connor to approve the purchase of the Stealth 2 GPS tracking device not to exceed \$1,565.00.

Roll Call Vote: O'Connor, Talbot, Henrich, King, Maichele, Myers, and Dougherty **ALL YES**
MOTION CARRIED

Public Comments

Steve Buller thanked everyone for voting for him as he was elected to the Board as one of the new Trustee's. He plans on doing as good of a job as a board member as he does being the Building Inspector.

Trustee Comments

Maichele

Thanks to Henrich, O'Connor, and King for the opportunity to work with them and wishes them the best in their future endeavors.

King

Thanked Myers for a great job on the election also the Township did a great job with several of the issues that came up during the election. Also would like to wish Harper Creek Football good luck in their regional game. Also would like to quote that Matt Skaggs is on the mend and Pat Johnson is in the hospital and used to be King's roommate in College and would like special prayers for Pat Johnson. Would like to thank everyone that voted for him he's going to miss the Township but will be here when he can.

O'Connor

Well wishes and a quick recovery to Officer Skaggs and commented that thankfully no one was seriously injured that morning.

Congratulations to everyone that was elected to their new positions and the ones that were elected to the same positions. Thanked everyone for their time that we all worked together. Quoted “would never give up a friendship for a political issue”. Also believes that the Township is in a much better position now than it was four years ago when O’Connor came into office.

Henrich

Echo comments everyone else has already made. Thanked everyone for their participation at these meetings. Also it was nice to see the community pull together during the storm last May. Will be attending some meetings just not as many. Good luck to the new Supervisor, and also the new Board Members.

Talbot

Good luck to all in the new endeavors, we’ve had some interesting meetings some good times and some bad times. Talbot enjoyed working with everybody and wishes everyone well.

Myers

Would like to thank everyone for the opportunity that I’ve been given I’ve learned a lot and still have a lot more to learn. I’ve had a lot of help from O’Connor and would like to thank him and everyone else for all the help that I’ve gotten along the way.

Dougherty

Worked hard to get where he is. At 16 he was homeless and worked hard to get through school and then joined the Military and to be here from where he came from is absolutely remarkable, and he truly appreciates the opportunity that he was given.

Would like to wish Officer Johnson and Skaggs well wishes. Also wanted to thank everyone that he has worked with on the Board, and really hopes that King does well in his next endeavor. Thanked everyone once again and stated that he worked with a wonderful staff.

Adjournment

Motion 12-11-14 by Dougherty to Adjourn at 9:35 P.M.

Voice Vote:

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Pat Dougherty Supervisor
Emmett Charter Township

Teresa Myers Clerk
Emmett Charter Township