

Charter Township of Emmett
Regular Board Meeting
January 8, 2015

Supervisor Hill called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday January 8, 2015. 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

Dougherty, Gunning, Myers, Buller, Talbot, and Hill
Jacox – arrived five minutes late

QUORUM PRESENT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion 15-01-01 by Gunning/ Talbot to approve the Agenda with the change of adding the appointment to the Access Vision Board under New Business as printed by Teresa Myers

Roll Call Vote: Dougherty, Gunning, Talbot, Myers, Buller, and Hill
Jacox – arrived five minutes late

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion 15-01-02 by Gunning/Talbot to approve Consent Agenda

Roll Call Vote: Buller, Gunning, Myers, Dougherty, Talbot, and Hill
Jacox – arrived five minutes late

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Treasurer's Report:

Receive and file the Monthly Treasurer's Report with balances on hand as of: December 31. 2014.

General Fund	\$	246,295.74
SW Emmett Sewer/Water	\$	522,381.01
Sanitation Fund	\$	356,892.74
Project V Sewer Fund	\$	25,837.59
Drug Forfeiture Fund	\$	37,296.67
Public Safety Fund	\$	26,276.02
Public Safety Extra	\$	230,501.51
Beadle Lake Weed Fund	\$	23,124.72

The Monthly Departmental Report:

Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes as printed if any.

COMMUNICATIONS & SIMPLE MOTIONS

Announcements:

- Township Planning Commission – To be announced meeting times are @ 5:30 p.m.
- Z.B.A. Meeting – To be Announced
- Next Township Board Meeting –February 12, 2015 @ 5:30 p.m.

MONTHLY CHECK REGISTER

Motion 15-01-03 by Talbot/Dougherty to accept the Check Register as printed.

Roll Call Vote: Gunning, Jacox, Myers, Buller, Talbot, Dougherty, and Hill,

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

DEPARTMENT VERBAL REPORTS

Supervisor

Hill commented that the Township has a great year planned ahead with the awnings' coming soon along with a farmer's market; he is excited to see the coming changes to the Township.

Clerk

Myers – Explained that there was some conflict's with the Auditor being here and that he would try and make it next month.

Treasurer

Talbot- Commented on the fact that the Treasurer's Office is still collecting Summer and Winter Taxes. Talbot also explained that the Township has started writing some checks from Chemical Bank and still working to get everything transferred to Chemical Bank from PNC Bank. Buller with a question on Direct Deposit. Talbot responded by letting the Board know that someone from Chemical Bank would be coming into talk to each employee about Direct Deposit.

Planning and Zoning Business

Brandi DeShon made an announcement that there would be a ZBA meeting this month on January 20, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.

Assessing

Discussion on appointing Board of Review Members, in Mike Leslie's absence this could not be finished and was tabled to the next meeting.

Public Safety

Chief Olson went over the Public Safety Report and then commented that the December stats have been pretty consistent and talked about the series of Breaking and Entering's along Beadle Lake Road this last week and that Public Safety has worked well with Battle Creek City's Public Safety and have actually apprehended the suspects. Olson then finished by going over the rest of the Monthly Synopsis.

December 2014 Monthly Activity Synopsis

The following is the activity for the Emmett Township Department of Public Safety:

		<u>Previous Month:</u>
Complaints/Calls for Service:	541	604
Arrests:	116	133
Citations Issued:	132	129
Medicals:	79	66
Fires:	4	7
All other Fire Calls:	8	26

The Department investigated 32 retail fraud complaints during the month, 13 Assaults, 5 Breaking and Entering's, 21 Family Trouble or Domestic Violence complaints, 10 Violations of Controlled Substances, 2 Narcotics Equipment Violations, 22 Obstructing Justice/Obstructing Police complaints, 75 Other Person Trouble complaints, 21 Property Damage Accidents, 2 Personal Injury Accidents and 5 Hit and Run Accidents. We also investigated or provided another 16 Citizen Assists for our residents and investigated another 36 Suspicious Situation/Person complaints.

During our trip to Sutphen on December 15 and 16, 2014, we did the pre-construction review of the aerial and then final inspection of the new Engine. We brought the engine back with us and it is presently in the apparatus bay having all of the equipment mounted. We anticipate this to be going into service in the very near future. The aerial device is proceeding nicely and we expect delivery sometime in either April or May. We truly thank you, and rest assured the new equipment will help us to more safely and better serve the residents of our township.

Once again, we hosted the annual Shop with a Cop event at our station. It was a huge success and we couldn't have done it without a great deal of cooperation. I can tell you that there were 72 kids and parents that had smiles from ear to ear. I hope everyone had a nice Christmas and here is hoping for a safe, happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Chief Mike Olson
Emmett Township Department of Public Safety

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Emmett Township Resolution T15-01
AMSA addition Convis Township

Emmett Township Resolution T15-02

Reappointing member's to the AMSA Construction Board of Appeals for six year terms.

Myers went over both of the Resolutions T15-01 and T15-02 and explained that the first one was just to acknowledge the addition of Convis Township. The second one was reappointing members Randy Case, Larry Rizor, David Farmer, Darrell Swanson, Todd Johnson, and Darrel Burke to the AMSA Board for a six year term.

Motion 15-01-04 by Buller / Gunning to approve both Resolutions T15-01 adding Convis Township and T15-02 reappointing members to the AMSA Construction Board of Appeals for six year terms.

Roll Call Vote: Jacox, Myers, Buller, Talbot, Dougherty, Gunning and Hill

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

Purchase Orders That Need Approval

Purchase Order No. 14-2657:2012 Michigan Code Books for a total of \$552.35 to be paid as a reimbursement to Steve Buller.

Motion 15-01-05 by Gunning / Jacox to approve Code Books totaling \$552.35

Roll Call Vote: Dougherty, Jacox, Gunning, Myers, Buller, Talbot, and Hill

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

NEW BUSINESS

Board Appointment to Access Vision

Jeff from Access Vision explained some of how the Access Vision Board works by saying it was about the same as the Township Board. Also stated that Margie Garside had been a Board Member for many years and was know retiring to a warmer climate. Access Vision Board Meeting would be January 26th at 4p.m. there was some discussion among Board Members about the position in which Pat Dougherty recommended Jim Mead for the position this was discussed with Board Members and Jim Mead was asked if he would take the position in which he replied that he would.

Motion 15-01-06 by Dougherty / Gunning to appoint Jim Mead as a Member to the Access Vision Board with the first meeting starting January 26, 2015 at 4p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Buller, Jacox, Myers, Gunning, Talbot, Dougherty, and Hill

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Public Comments

None

Trustee Comments

Gunning- would everyone to drive safe on their way home.

Buller- Some updates from BCATS Federally Funded Programs the first is the Bridge over Raymond Road will be replaced this year 2015, along with road repaving of Raymond Road from Emmett Street to Golden Avenue. There will also be repaving on Golden Avenue through to the City of Battle Creek from Raymond Road. The new Hotel that is by the Marriott is waiting to build until the new design is ready. Also the County Land Bank has disqualified one of the houses that the Township wanted to tear down being the one on Alden Avenue. Lastly the SAW Grant, that deals with Sewer and Water, had a kickoff meeting.

Dougherty- Would like to thank all for the success with the Shop with a Cop it does so much good for the community. He also talked about the North Trailway at Kimball Pines and how amazing it was. Dougherty also stated that the Men's Club was going to have a Spring Fling and Five K out at the Trailway. Lastly a question on the County having money for the roads. Hill said he was not sure about the County having the Funds.

Jacox – Just came from a County Parks Board Meeting and stated how wonderful the Trailways are and that we have some Board Walks that are absolutely wonderful. Jacox stated that the Trailways are a non-motorized trail and that they were already noticing some cars, & snowmobiles on the Trails. Please note that these are non-motorized trails. The County Board has also come up with a Master Plan it's on the County Web Site if the public would like to check it out and or have any ideas that they would like to provide. Lastly as always pleased to be a part of this Board.

Mike Olson- Explained a little about Strategic Planning being a 1 – 10 year plan where you look at strengths and weaknesses and focusses everyone in one direction and that the Township is looking at something 3-5 years out.

Adjournment

Motion 15-01-07 by Hill/ Jacox to Adjourn at 6:05p.m.

Voice Vote:

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Timothy Hill, Supervisor
Emmett Charter Township

Teresa Myers, Clerk
Emmett Charter Township