

Charter Township of Emmett  
Regular Board Meeting  
July 10, 2014

Supervisor Hill called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday July 10, 2014. 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, Jacox, Gunning, Myers, Buller, Talbot, and Hill

**QUORUM PRESENT**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion 14-07-01 by Talbot/ Gunning to approve the Agenda with the following change: under Public Hearings & Announcements with a date change to August 6, 2014 for the Township Planning Commission Meeting as printed by Teresa Myers

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

**ALL YES  
MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion 14- 07-02 by Gunning / Jacox to approve Consent Agenda

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

**ALL YES  
MOTION CARRIED**

***Treasurer's Report:***

Receive and file the Monthly Treasurer's Report with balances on hand as of: June 30, 2014,

General Fund	\$ 707,067.99
SW Emmett Sewer/Water	\$ 1,460,745.58
Sanitation Fund	\$ 324,142.40
Project V Sewer Fund	\$ 104,138.74
Drug Forfeiture Fund	\$ 46,327.93
Public Safety Fund	\$ 98,694.85
Public Safety Extra	\$ 424,667.37

***The Monthly Departmental Report:***

Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes as printed.

**COMMUNICATIONS & SIMPLE MOTIONS**

Motion to acknowledge the enforcement of Article III, Noxious Weeds, and to authorize the Township Treasurer to place a tax lien against the following to include an additional \$25.00 administrative fee:

PROPERTIES:

419 Bowers	\$88.00 + \$25.00= \$113.00
17 Bradford Street	\$66.00 + \$25.00= \$91.00
8238 B Drive N.	\$88.00 + \$25.00=\$113.00
344 Cohasset	\$66.00 + \$25.00=\$91.00
126 Culberson	\$66.00 + \$25.00=\$91.00
1209 Michigan Ave.	\$44.00 + \$25.00=\$69.00
200 Euclid	\$88.00 + \$25.00=\$113.00
1651 Monroe Beach	\$88.00 + \$25.00=\$113.00
200 Nelson Street	\$66.00 + \$25.00= \$91.00
10-620-033-01 O’Neil Vacant	\$66.00 + \$25.00= \$91.00
14651 Petal Lane	\$44.00 + \$25.00= \$69.00
165 Rook Street	\$44.00 + \$25.00= \$69.00
8710 Verona Road	\$88.00 + \$25.00= \$113.00
47 W Alden Ave.	\$55.00 + \$25.00= \$81.00
15075 6 ½ Mile Road	\$132.00 + \$25.00= \$157.00

Motion 14-07-03 by Talbot/ Dougherty to approve lawn mowing’s.

Roll Call Vote: Myers, Gunning, Talbot, Dougherty, Buller, & Hill

**ALL YES  
MOTION CARRIED**

**Announcements:**

- Township Planning Commission – Meeting August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 5:00p.m.
- Z.B.A. Meeting – to be announced
- Next Township Board Meeting – August 14, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

**MONTHLY CHECK REGISTER**

Motion 14-07-04 by Gunning/Dougherty to accept the Check Register as printed.

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

**ALL YES  
MOTION CARRIED**

**Christine Kosmoski – Drain Commissioner**  
Table until next month as she was a no show

## DEPARTMENT VERBAL REPORTS

### Supervisor

Hill stated that he would be having a Township Workshop on July 23, 2014 at 6 p.m. for road concerns and discuss putting a millage on for the November Election.

### Clerk

Myers stated that she is busy getting ready for the upcoming Election on August 5<sup>th</sup> and is also working on getting bids for the Ceresco Cemetery clean – up due to storm damage. Also Jerry Peterson from the County Road Department called to say that they would be starting Division Drive Project on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> of July.

### Treasurer

Talbot stated that she and her Deputy have been busy collecting Taxes and would like to let everyone know that they do except partial payments. Also she is talking with PNC Bank again on a credit card machine as the person she was previously working with apparently dropped us. Talbot also stated that the Township has a pop machine now and that all sales from that are used to purchase things for our new kitchen like dishes utensils and etc.

Gunning with a question on how much delinquent taxes for the last year were. Talbot explained that the County pays us and there were a lot of delinquent taxes and that she didn't have the exact number but would be able to get them if needed.

### Planning and Zoning Business

Brandi DeShon was absent due to illness so in her place Talbot explained with the help of Gunning the Conditional Use permit for Go Metal LLC., Owner Aaron Hook explained that they would purchase junk automobiles for scrap. They take the aluminum, brass, copper, lead parts out of the car. Then sell what is left of the car to a different processing company. Aaron Hook also stated that they do not drain any fluid there they sell the rest of what's left to another company and they finish the processing.

Motion 14-07-05 by Buller/Jacox to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Go Metal LLC., at 36 Hodgson.

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

**ALL YES  
MOTION CARRIED**

### Assessing

Leslie commented that the Assessing Department has been very busy this month. He has been working on reappraisals for the July Board of Review, and answering lots of phone calls due to people questioning their tax bills.

## Public Safety

Chief Olson went over the Monthly Activity Synopsis for June 2014: all Board Members and Public had a copy of the report to look over.

### June 2014 Monthly Activity Synopsis

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

		<u>Previous Month:</u>
<b>Complaints/Calls for Service:</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>663</b>
<b>Arrests:</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>164</b>
<b>Citations Issued:</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>182</b>
<b>Medicals:</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>Fires:</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>All other Fire Calls:</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>9</b>

Complaints and Calls for Service remained relatively constant from the previous. Fire calls and calls for public safety saw a significant increase from the previous month. PSO Matt Skaggs has returned to full duty and we are happy to have him. Commercial Motor Vehicle Officer Roger King has been off work since May 23, 2014 and remains off work.

The Department investigated 28 retail fraud complaints during the month, 18 Assaults, 6 Breaking and Entering's, 19 Family Trouble or Domestic Violence complaints, 8 Violations of Controlled Substances, 2 Narcotics Equipment Violations, 22 Obstructing Justice/Obstructing Police complaints, 52 Other Person Trouble complaints, 27 Property Damage Accidents, 6 Personal Injury Accidents and 2 Hit and Run Accidents. We also investigated or provided another 19 Citizen Assists for our residents.

No matter what function they are performing, the Department of Public Safety continues to excel and Olson is very proud to say that he works with them. As a reminder, the 206 Millage Renewal used to purchase equipment, buildings and the maintenance of them is on the August 5, 2014 ballot and Olson encourages everyone to get out and vote and support our Department.

**The one (1) mill tax for equipment, buildings and the maintenance for them expires this year and will be on the August 5, 2014 ballot for renewal for another 10 years.**

## RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

*Update on hardware demolition project*

The building is almost down.

Purchase Order Policy discussion on changing it  
Much discussion on this issue with all.

Motion 14-07-06 by Myers/ Jacox to change the amount of the Purchase Order Policy to \$300.00.

Roll Call Vote: Buller – qualified no, out of respect for Tom agrees that this has only been in force for a short time and is concerned as to where the budget is now.

Jacox, Myers, Talbot, three yes and Dougherty qualified yes

Gunning- no, and Hill qualified no, only been doing this for a short time and also looking at overtime.

*Roger King*

Move to next month because we have not heard back from our Attorney as of yet.

## Purchase Orders That Need Approval

There was a review of the list of PO's by all as the Chief explained them.

Motion 14-07-07 by Talbot/ Jacox to approve all PO's.

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

**ALL YES  
MOTION CARRIED**

## NEW BUSINESS

Hill commented that the Glenn Cross Extension is going to go through and that it is being funded by the State for 1.7 million dollars.

## Public Comments

Resident commented on a friend of his passing a way a short time ago and what a great job the Public Safety Department did.

Resident on contracting out services. Dougherty explained that this was done a few months ago and if anyone had any questions they could go to the Chief and get those numbers also.

Resident with a question on the Repaving on E Michigan Avenue and if there was going to be a third lane. Chief Olson explained that they are going to repave from M-66 out E Michigan Avenue and have a turn lane.

Resident on how bad Raymond Road is and was wondering if anything was going to be done to this road. Buller stated that Raymond Road was already scheduled to be repaved.

**Trustee Comments**

Gunning – Nothing at this time

Buller – Nothing at this time

Dougherty – commented on the upcoming Election August 5, 2014

Jacox – Commented on the 26<sup>th</sup> of July will be the 4 year anniversary of largest inland oil spill in the United States and would like to thank the Enbridge Company for the cleanup and all that they have given back to this community.

Myers- stated that we have election training coming up Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> at the Township Office at 6 p.m. and then on Tuesday at Marshall Middle School in the Auditorium at 9 a.m. and the at 1 p.m.

Hill – Stated that on July 23, 2014 he would be having a meeting at Harper Creek High School Auditorium at 6 p.m. concerning the roads.

**Adjournment**

Motion 14-07-08 by Hill/ Gunning to Adjourn

Voice Vote:

**ALL YES  
MOTION CARRIED**

Timothy Hill, Supervisor  
Emmett Charter Township

Teresa Myers, Clerk  
Emmett Charter Township