

Charter Township of Emmett
Special Board Meeting for Public Hearing
For Special Assessment District NO.01 of 2012

The Public Hearing was called to order by Supervisor Dougherty at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the opening of the meeting.

BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE

Henrich absent arrived at 6:55p.m.

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

QUORUM PRESENT

The Meeting opened with discussion from some of the board members starting with King on General Fund transfers to Public Safety and whether the millage should go up or down.

Maichele commented on not knowing how much money we have in General Fund Savings.

O'Connor commented that he did not want to raise the millage instead he would like to see it go lower. O'Connor talked about how much money would have to come from General Fund Savings to be transferred to Public Safety. He also spoke of the \$100,000 increase for Dispatch. O'Connor also discussed the amount of the 2011 Local Revenue Sharing \$514,521.31. With the remaining Balance being \$144,844.31. O'Connor thinks that we can lower the millage to 1.275 mills.

There was discussion with Talbot, King, and O'Connor about contract negotiations in March.

King commented that he thought that this would be a great move to go to 1.275 mills.

Dougherty questioned if we lost the Casino Fund; it could hurt us. There was discussion.

O'Connor commented that by reducing it to 1.275 it would create an average estimate of about \$5.00 reduction for some of the property owners.

Dougherty commented on the sewer system and that the cost of getting it fixed could be substantial. O'Connor replied that's why we have a water and sewer fund. Talbot replied there are separate water and sewer funds for different areas.

There was a lot of discussion on raising and lowering the millage.

A Public comment was that there are a lot of people out there struggling with finances, and thinks that Mr. O'Connor did an excellent job putting this information together.

O'Connor recapped meeting thus far for Henrich, who arrived late at 6:55p.m.

Henrich commented on how he would like to leave the next Board in good shape and was questioning the lowering of the millage and asked if that would affect the new Board?

O'Connor commented that they still have \$235,000.00 left from the 2012 LRSB money.

Henrich asked Chief Olson what he's going to need to be replaced in the very near future as far as Public Safety vehicles. Olson responded by saying a ladder truck will be needed in the near future, and the estimated cost for a ladder truck could be up to \$2,000,000.00.

King commented on liking the idea of giving something back to the residents of the Township and how this could affect our upcoming Public Safety Millage renewal in 2013.

Motion 12-9-1 by King/ Talbot to close the Public Hearing

Roll Call Vote: King, Maichele, Myers, O'Connor, Talbot, Henrich, and Dougherty
All Yes MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 12-9-2 BY O'Connor/ Dougherty to set the Special Assessment District NO.01 of 2010 to be 1.275 Mills.

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

Motion 12-9-3 to close the Public Hearing Meeting from Dougherty with a Voice Vote: by All at 7p.m.

Roll Call Vote: **ALL YES MOTION CARRIED**

**PAT DOUGHERTY, SUPERVISOR
EMMETT CHARTER TOWNSHIP**

**TERESA MYERS, CLERK
EMMETT CHARTER TOWNSHIP**