

**Charter Township of Emmett
Regular Board Meeting
October 8, 2015**

Supervisor Hill called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday October 8, 2015. The Meeting was held at the Township Hall located at 621 Cliff Street Battle Creek, MI 49014. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the opening.

BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE

Jacox, Gunning, Myers, Buller, Talbot, and Hill
Dougherty - Excused

QUORUM PRESENT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion 15-10-01 by Buller/ Gunning to approve the Agenda with the addition of Mechanical Engineering Review and an update on the Credit Card System under Old Business as printed by Teresa Myers.

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion 15-10-02 by Jacox/ Gunning to approve the Consent Agenda

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Treasurer's Report:

Receive and file the Monthly Treasurer's Report with balances on hand as of: September 30, 2015

General Fund	\$	928,041.45
SW Emmett Sewer/Water	\$	401,914.38
Sanitation Fund	\$	370,920.05
Project V Sewer Fund	\$	23,111.99
Drug Forfeiture Fund	\$	38,907.23
Public Safety Fund	\$	55,966.90
Public Safety Extra	\$	433,415.42
Beadle Lake Weed Fund	\$	25,921.24

The Monthly Departmental Report:

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

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 for administrative fees.

MONTHLY CHECK REGISTER

Motion 15-10-03 by Talbot/ Gunning to accept the Check Register as printed.

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

Dougherty-Excused

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

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 –November 12, 2015

DEPARTMENT VERBAL REPORTS

Supervisor

Hill commented that the Farmer's Market is every Saturday from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. stop by and check it out we got a late start this year but next year will be better. Hill also commented on the phase 1 part one of the sewer realignment with a pump in place a dioxide machine to help get rid of the smell and a generator.

Clerk

Myers – Tim Hill and I Teresa Myers signed the Zoning Map this morning that had prior approval of the Board. Lastly I have been working with Mike Olson, Trish Stone, Tom Gunning, and Diane Talbot on some Cemetery issues and trying to get them back to where they need to be.

Treasurer

Talbot – commented that the company that does the estimate for Beadle Lake weeds had apparently assessed the project a little high this last year so she would not be billing for it this year as there was still enough in the fund to pay this year. Finally I filed liens against two businesses today for non-payment of personal property taxes that is above the amount to take to small claims court and will need an Officer to go with for the postings. Also will be filing a few more in small claims court. Now working on getting millage rates in for winter taxes and the process starts all over again.

Planning and Zoning Business

Deshon- Rezoning parcels on Tower Road the Planning Commission voted 5-2 to move ahead and would like Board approval. Mr. Clark owns a business in Hillsdale that he purchased in 2005 in which they cut wire products for a wide range of products. Mr. Clark is a resident of Emmett Township and would like to relocate his business in the Township he needs to expand his business and also stated that there would be no toxic chemicals.

Motion 10-15-04 by Gunning/ Jacox to approve with moving ahead with the rezoning of Tower Road to light Industrial

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

ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED

Assessing

Leslie – Stated that he would like to thank the Board for the purchase of the new truck and that the color is Harper Creek Blue.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief Olson –started out by saying that this week has been Fire Prevention Week out at the Schools and last night 10-7-15 was at Baily Park where several different departments had their trucks set up there were hot dogs and lots on fire prevention all went well. Chief Olson then continued to go over his Monthly Activity Synopsis and also talked about a Mechanical Review of the furnaces on the Public Safety side in which they had received a proposal to see exactly what they are going to need.

Motion 10-15-05 by Jacox / Gunning to move forward with the Engineering study for furnaces for the Public Safety side.

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

ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

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NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Strategic Planning was again explained by Chief Olson in which there were more questions from the Board that the Chief answered but the Board asked if there would be any way to have someone from Strategic Planning that would be able to come to a meeting and answer questions for the Board. Chief Olson said that he would check with them.

Credit Card System- A few people wondering if we were moving ahead with a credit card system. I Teresa Myers had talked with Bedford about some Cemetery issues and was asked if we had a credit card system I said not yet I was told they were just getting there's set up I was asked if we had BS&A and said yes they also have BS&A I was given the name of the company they were getting so we could check it out. (Point and Pay Credit Card System). We will have to see if it's compatible with BS&A. There was a lot of discussion on charges to the Township and also to the customer. Talbot said it could be looked into again with BS&A.

NEW BUSINESS

Already taken care of earlier the rezoning of Parcels on Tower Road and the signing of the Zoning Map by Hill and Myers.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Resident upset about Zoning Laws changing and not getting help in promoting his Motel.

Resident thinks it's a good idea by listening to public and others for ideas on what to incorporate in the Township.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Jacox – Blessed to have good friends and thank all here for the support he's received with what he has been through these last few months.

Buller – Sorry for Jesse's loss and glad to see him back and would not want to go through what he has and admire Jesse for hanging tough like he did.

Gunning- echoed what Steve said and also remind all that Beadle Lake Road would be shut down tomorrow for the famous Harper Creek Parade.

Myers- Wanted to let all know that the Township does not have anything to do with the Harper Creek Survey this has to be done online or through the school.

Olson- Just a reminder that Trappers Ridge will be shut down tomorrow night from around 4:15 – 4:30 p.m. for about an hour for the Harper Creek Parade.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion 15-09-15 by Hill at 6:30 p.m.

Voice Vote:

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Timothy Hill, Supervisor
Emmett Charter Township

Teresa Myers, Clerk
Emmett Charter Township