

**Charter Township of Emmett
Regular Board Meeting
August 13, 2015**

Supervisor Hill called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday August 13, 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

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

QUORUM PRESENT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion 15-08-01 by Buller/ Dougherty to approve the Agenda as printed by Teresa Myers.

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion 15-08-02 by Jacox/ Dougherty to approve the Consent Agenda

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Treasurer's Report:

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

General Fund	\$ 1,272,676.04
SW Emmett Sewer/Water	\$ 392,775.80
Sanitation Fund	\$ 378,990.47
Project V Sewer Fund	\$ 21,311.49
Drug Forfeiture Fund	\$ 43,758.14
Public Safety Fund	\$ 189,018.98
Public Safety Extra	\$ 787,741.46
Beadle Lake Weed Fund	\$ 28,177.40

The Monthly Departmental Report:

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

MONTHLY CHECK REGISTER

Motion 15-08-03 by Talbot/Buller to accept the Check Register as printed.

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

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.

PROPERTIES:	OWNERS:	
52 W Alden -	Michael P. Bundy	\$33.00 + \$ 25.00 = \$58.00
113 Arlington Ave.	Jennifer Force	\$110.00 + \$25.00= \$135.00
948 Belton Ave.	Sam Hamdan	\$44.00 + \$25.00 = \$69.00
344 Cohasset Ave.	Barbara A. Mason	\$44.00 + \$ 25.00 = \$69.00
48 Enwood St.	Charles Campbell	\$33.00 + \$ 25.00 = \$58.00
12918 Beadle Lk. Rd. / Vacant	Joseph R.B. & Lisa M. Dubois	\$44.00 + \$ 25.00 = \$69.00
903 Michigan Ave.	IA Petroleum, LLC.	\$33.00 + \$25.00 = \$58.00
14684 Petal Ln.	Richard Des Voignes	\$66.00 + \$25.00 = \$91.00
15075 61/2 Mile Rd	Tamara Guthrie	\$110.00 + \$25.00 = \$135.00
Vacant 10-330-190-00	Travis Hester	\$44.00 + \$25.00 = \$69.00
Vacant 10-330-167-00	Travis Hester	\$44.00 + \$25.00 = \$69.00

Motion 15-08-04 by Dougherty / Jacox to approve all 11 lawn mowing's

Roll Call Vote: Buller, Talbot, Dougherty, Jacox, Myers, and Hill,
Gunning-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 –September 17, 2015 @ 5:30 p.m. for half hour Public Hearing for 1.375 millage for Public Safety. Regular Board Meeting to start at 6:00 p.m.

DEPARTMENT VERBAL REPORTS

Supervisor

Hill commented that the Farmer's Market will be opening on August 22, 2015 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Any questions please contact Wendy Graves at wgraves@emmett.org.

Clerk

Myers –Nothing at this time

Treasurer

Talbot commented that her Husband had surgery on July 31st so the numbers that she gave for the Agenda for the August Board Meeting was without interest as she put numbers in before the interest hit the bank. Talbot gave the interest for the General Fund as \$239.58 and South West Emmett \$16.79 then she gave the interest that has been earned on the two CD's as being \$2,619.60. Talbot also stated that she has sent out all final letters for Personnel Property Delinquent Notices to turn into small claims court.

Planning and Zoning Business

Deshon- Nothing at this time

Assessing

Leslie was absent so Myers read letter he left about hours and how busy he's been at 7:00 a.m. in the morning and that he has had no complaints about hours from anybody so far and would like to see the hours stay the same Monday through Thursday 7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief Olson went over the Monthly Public Safety Report then proceeded to give an update on the Monthly Public Safety Report by saying that things are moving along quite well. Chief stated that the Public Safety Department has hired five part-time paid on call Firefighters they are Nick Cummins, Scott Cipicic, Jason Schuitema, Austin Conine and former PSO Shane Swartz. Chief also stated that we should be going for our final inspection of the Fire Truck the week of August 24, 2015. Chief also commented that a couple of officers were of training on Domestic Violence training and stated that we will be training our department some more in that area. We also have some officers out training on Mountain

Bikes to help with the trials where motor vehicles are not allowed. It has been a good month and look forward to another.

Talbot commented on the fact that Teresa and her had put one picnic table together with Clark Lawson's help and would like to thank him as he finished putting the other eight together by himself.

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

NONE

UNFINISHED BUISNESS

Township Hours

Motion 15-08-05 by Buller / Talbot to keep the Township hours Monday through Thursday 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Humanergy- Strategic Planning

Chief explained that this helps give direction on a project such as Sewer, Roads and etc. and helps bring the Board and residents together. Chief explained that Tim Hill and himself had met with David Wheatley on Humanergy and thought that this would be something to help the Board and Township. Olson explained some more on how this all worked and the sessions; it was decided by the Board to take more of a look at this and possibly bring back to the Board.

Fiber Optics

Lt. Geigle explained the whole process on Fiber Optics for the Township and how it would benefit us as a whole. He explained that our most expensive part would be the start up after that it was comparable to our Comcast fees per month. Once our new Server is in most of our updating will have taken place so there will not be much that needs upgrading after that. The Board agreed that this is something that the Township needs in order to move forward further into the future.

Motion 15-08-06 by Dougherty/ Talbot to move forward with the purchase of the Fiber Optics for the Township.

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Hoyt / Wyncrest Paving Project

Motion 15-08-07 by Talbot/ Jacox to move ahead with the Public Hearing process.

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

NEW BUSINESS

FYI : September 17, 2015 Board Meeting will be starting at 5:30 p.m. for a Public Hearing regarding the 2015 Tax Millage Rates for Public Safety for half hour Regular Meeting will start at 6:00 p.m.

Fees Comparable to Battle Creek City- Hill stated that there not ready yet.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Resident with a complaint about Little Friends Daycare closing and asked the Township for help.

Autumn Smith with questions and concerns on recent FOIA.

Resident commented on Ball Season ending.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Dougherty – Congratulations on the Farmers Market opening on August 22nd 2015 also thanked Chief for all of the Officers hard work that they do.

Jacox – Glad to be back and looking forward to moving forward.

Buller – went over Memorandum from CEI and what Phase they were in for the work on the Sewer issue and the fact that the project was coming in under budget. Also Buller stated that the owner of Delray’s would like to donate the Building and see if the Fire Department would be able to use it as training and also asked if the Township knew of any good Commercial Realtor’s. Buller also commented on the fact that Raymond Road was concrete and explained that they would be using a sealer on the cracks before asphaltting takes place. Lastly explained that the Tower Road Project was in the Planning Stages.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion 15-08-7 by Hill at 6:55 p.m.

Voice Vote:

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Timothy Hill, Supervisor
Emmett Charter Township

Teresa Myers, Clerk
Emmett Charter Township