

**Charter Township of Emmett
Regular Board Meeting
January 14, 2016**

Supervisor Hill called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday January 14, 2016. 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, Gunning, Myers, Buller, Talbot, and Hill

QUORUM PRESENT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion 16-01-01 by Gunning/Jacox to approve the Agenda as printed by Teresa Myers.

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion 16-01-02 by Jacox/ Gunning to approve the Consent Agenda

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Treasurer's Report:

Receive and file the Monthly Treasurer's Report with balances on hand as of: December 31, 2015

General Fund	\$	788,920.37
SW Emmett Sewer/Water	\$	404,020.82
Sanitation Fund	\$	209,015.91
Project V Sewer Fund	\$	(147.89)
Drug Forfeiture Fund	\$	38,002.23
Public Safety Fund	\$	(7,012.69)
Public Safety Extra	\$	122,293.04
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

Comcast- see attached

Excede Satellite Internet – see attached

FEMA – 2 properties 1521 Onagon Beach, & 4451 Council Crest Lane

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 11, 2016 @ 5:30p.m.

MONTHLY CHECK REGISTER

Motion 16-01-03 by Talbot/Jacox to accept the Check Register as printed.

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

DEPARTMENT VERBAL REPORTS

Supervisor

Hill commented on what a great year it has been and all that the Board has accomplished so far this year such as the sewer alignment, awnings, township name over the fire bay, and the Farmers Market.

Clerk

Myers –stated that Absent Voters Applications have gone out in the mail and we will be getting our Ballots next week and after testing they will be going out in the mail.

Treasurer

Talbot – Busy collecting taxes, sent out the billing for Division Drive as we finally got the final bill. Also collecting money from the Woodland Beach Paving Project. Lastly still working on Delinquent Personal Property Taxes.

Planning and Zoning Business

Nothing at this time

Assessing

Leslie – Working on Personal Property and getting values worked up for the year.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief Olson –Stated that it’s been another busy month and continued to go over his monthly report. Olson commented on the fact that Emmett Township’s Public Safety had Shop with a Cop last month along with help from other law enforcement departments around the County. They had 75 kids this year and that each child received \$100.00 to spend at Wal-Mart. Also there was an armed robbery in the Township and the suspect had been apprehended. Olson commented on the tragic fire that had happened on Sunday afternoon where a young girl lost her life and that the department had brought in a person to help stress relief for all the guys involved.

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Emmett Township Resolution T16-01 Appointing Election Workers for four precincts for the upcoming election and also the August and November Election for 2016.

Motion 16-01-04 by Buller/Gunning to approve Resolution T16-01 appointing Election workers.

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

PO’s

16-3537	Douglas Safety Systems	\$2,277.62
16-3538	Douglas Safety Systems	\$316.00
16-3539	Douglas Safety Systems	\$468.29
16-3555	Steve Buller	\$482.00

Motion 16-01-05 by Jacox/Gunning to approve the purchase of all three PO’s for Public Safety and also the PO for Steve Buller.

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

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Farmers Market Special Events Coordinator Wendy Graves Independent Contractor - Tabled

NEW BUSINESS

Sewer Contract- lots of discussion on this issue with all Board Members and The Public on cost of water and sewer. With the information that was received so far from Battle Creek City, it was decided that there was not enough information to vote on this until we have further information.

Oakridge Office Park- discussion on hooking up to water line because of contaminated water that was found out through the Health Departments due diligence during the Oil Spill. There was much discussion on all that this involved as the cost and how it would be paid for. With what this project would cost it was decided to put on old business until more information could be obtained.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Resident on Onagon Beach on the paving on the Woodland Beach Project and the fact that it cost more than they were initially told. Talbot explained about the cap the County put on the paving project and the fact that the County had actually lost money on this project. This brought up much discussion on road paving that was done by the County.

Resident on Columbia Avenue Paving and also taking a mill from the Library Tax and putting it for roads.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Gunning – Expressed comments he received about what a great job our Fire Department had done on the M-66 Fire.

Buller- wants to keep the sewer issue on the front burner as he would like to see this project finished and not go to another Board.

Dougherty – would also like to see sewer issue resolved also commented on what a great job our Public Safety is doing and how much he appreciates them and is happy with the way things are going.

Jacox – also wants to see the Sewer system through also talked about the Farmers Market and the area behind Public Safety and all the area businesses that had helped with the removal of trees and debris and the fact that Enbridge had donated all the gravel to the Township and wishes all a blessed new year.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion 16-01-06 by Hill at 6:10 p.m.

Voice Vote:

**ALL YES
MOTION CARRIED**

Timothy Hill, Supervisor
Emmett Charter Township

Teresa Myers, Clerk
Emmett Charter Township