

Charter Township of Emmett  
Regular Board Meeting  
September 11, 2014

Supervisor Hill called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday September 11, 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**

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

**QUORUM PRESENT**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion 14-09-03 by Buller/ Gunning to approve the Agenda as printed by Teresa Myers with an addition of appointing a new member to the Zoning Board of Appeals, and also the Doctor Latour Road Project.

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

Dougherty - Excused

**ALL YES  
MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion 14- 09-04 by Gunning/Buller to approve Consent Agenda

Roll Call Vote: Gunning, Myers, Jacox, Talbot, 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: August 31, 2014,

General Fund	\$ 728,181.89
SW Emmett Sewer/Water	\$ 1,465,169.64
Sanitation Fund	\$ 329,893.65
Project V Sewer Fund	\$ 131,388.74
Drug Forfeiture Fund	\$ 45,822.93
Public Safety Fund	\$ 139,946.32
Public Safety Extra	\$ 455,721.14

***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 administrative fee:

PROPERTIES:

52 W. Alden Ave. - Owner Michael Bundy	\$88.00 + \$25.00 = \$113.00
344 Cohasset- Owner Barbara Mason	\$44.00 + \$25.00 = \$69.00
375 Goldenview Drive-Owner Glendoria Bridges	\$88.00 + \$25.00 = \$113.00
14651 Petal Lane – Owner Wells Fargo Bank	\$44.00 + \$25.00 = \$69.00

**Announcements:**

- Township Planning Commission – Meeting October 1, 2014 at 5:30p.m. ( **new time**)
- Z.B.A. Meeting – to be announced
- Next Township Board Meeting – October 9, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

**MONTHLY CHECK REGISTER**

Motion 14-09-05 by Talbot/Jacox to accept the Check Register as printed.

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

**ALL YES  
MOTION CARRIED**

**DEPARTMENT VERBAL REPORTS**

**Supervisor**

Hill commented on getting the lots around the Township cleaned up so that we can get a Farmers Market started along with the impound lot out back.

**Clerk**

Myers stated that ballot proofing for the November General Election has started and that we’re in the process of getting everything ready for this upcoming General Election on November 4, 2014.

**Treasurer**

Talbot stated that she and her deputy have been especially busy collecting Taxes as the due date for these rapidly approach on Monday September 15, 2014. Would like to thank Myers for giving them a helping hand during this time. Talbot also stated that she would start working on delinquent taxes as soon as she was done collecting summer taxes.

### Planning and Zoning Business

Brandi DeShon had nothing. Hill made a recommendation for the Zoning Board of Appeals, Kathy Jahr, who stood up and told the Board a little bit about herself and that she would like the opportunity to help out in the Township.

Motion 14-09-06 by Myers/ Gunning to appoint Kathy Jahr to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

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

**ALL YES**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

### Assessing

Leslie commented that the Assessing Department has been very busy this month. He has been working on reappraisals and sales studies for the year. Also Special Assessment Road Projects.

### Public Safety

Chief Olson went over the Public Safety Report and commented on staffing. Specifically, part-time getting hired and then finding fulltime work somewhere else after they have been trained here. Olson said they're trying to work out something that after they're trained they have to stay for a certain amount of time. Lt. Cunningham talked a little bit about the Tax Chart that he placed in front of the Board so that people could see where their tax dollars are going. Olson also mentioned the Thank You and Certificate the Department received in helping Bedford Township with a Pancake Benefit.

### August 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>566</b>	<b>718</b>
<b>Arrests:</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>174</b>
<b>Citations Issued:</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>197</b>
<b>Medicals:</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>Fires:</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>All other Fire Calls:</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>56</b>

The Department investigated 29 retail fraud complaints during the month, 15 Assaults, 6 Breaking and Entering's, 13 Family Trouble or Domestic Violence complaints, 24 Violations of Controlled Substances, 6 Narcotics Equipment Violations, 35 Obstructing Justice/Obstructing Police complaints, 48 Other Person Trouble complaints, 19 Property Damage Accidents, 2 Personal Injury Accidents and 2 Hit and Run Accidents. We also investigated or provided another 24 Citizen Assists for our residents.

The 206 Millage Renewal passed decisively and I want to personally thank each and every one of our residents that voted to support the Department and the renewal. As always, I vow that we will continue to be good stewards of the Township resident's money.

Chief Mike Olson  
Emmett Township Department of Public Safety

## RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Emmett Charter Township Resolution **T14-08 Resolution** for the 2014 Millage Rate for Special Assessment District NO. 01 of 2010.

Motion 14-09-07 by Gunning /Jacox to keep the Special Assessment District of NO.01 of 2010 at 1.375 for this tax year.

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

**ALL YES**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

Emmett Charter Township **Resolution T14-09** 2014 Tax Millage Rates.

Motion 14-09-08 by Talbot/ Buller to approve the Emmett Charter Township Resolution T14-09 Tax Millage Rates as Allocated .8432, Public Safety (Extra Voted) 1.6990, Public Safety (Extra Voted) 1.0000 for a total of 3.5422.

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

**ALL YES**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

Emmett Charter Township Resolution T14-10 to set the 2014 Street Light Millage Rate from .7400 to .7543 for all properties located with the currently established street light districts..

Motion T14-09-09 by Talbot/ Gunning to approve the Resolution T14-09 to set the 2014 Street Light Millage to .7543.

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

**ALL YES**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

*Lawnmower for Township*

Chief Olson had done some investigating on prices for lawnmowers. Jacox commented that with it being near the end of the year we would have plenty of time to discuss this further through the end of the year for the next mowing season.

### *Set-up Budget Workshop*

Budget workshop set up for September 30, 2014 at 5:30p.m. to 7:30 p.m. another Budget Workshop will be set-up at that time for the following month.

Property Maintenance Ordinance

Property Maintenance Ordinance removed at this time but will bring back when Mr. Tuck is available.

### **Purchase Orders That Need Approval**

No Purchase Orders at this time.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Maintenance / Handyman – Randy Bushee

Bring back Maintenance Man at next Board Meeting

### **Public Comments**

Resident on placing a charge on bogus calls to Police Department to the same place more than three times.

Resident still upset about the change in the Board Meeting time.

### **Trustee Comments**

**Gunning** - nothing at this time.

**Buller**- Attended an AMSA meeting where they explained about the CareHere Clinic that was developed by Battle Creek .He stated that it consists of a doctor and a nurse on staff and that you go online to make appointments for the same day service. He also said that it reduces per member premium.

**Jacox** - would like everyone to remember what happen 13 years ago. God Bless America!!

**Adjournment**

Motion 14-09-10 by Hill/ Gunning to Adjourn at 6:35 p.m.

Voice Vote:

**ALL YES  
MOTION CARRIED**

Timothy Hill, Supervisor  
Emmett Charter Township

Teresa Myers, Clerk  
Emmett Charter Township