

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP  
*ESTABLISHED 1948*  
ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MAY 13, 2008 7PM

1. **Call to Order.**  
Supervisor Keith Potter called the meeting to order at 7PM. Janella Hop opened with prayer.
2. **Roll Call.**  
All members were present.
3. **Late Agenda Items**  
Cemetery Updates.  
Water Tower Grounds.  
Street Lights – 136<sup>th</sup> Ave.
4. **Graafschap Fire Department.**  
Fire Chief Cal Haverdink reported 24 calls for service in April of which 6 were into Fillmore Township consisting of 4 rescues and 2 fires.  
The annual awards dinner will be held at the station on June 2 at 6PM. Elected officials and spouses are invited.
5. **Fillmore Township Deputy Report.**  
Deputy Ron Haverdink reported 47 calls for service during April.
6. **Allegan County Commissioner.**  
No report from Commissioner Steve McNeal.
7. **Paul DeVisser Request.**  
Paul and Cara DeVisser of 4775 52<sup>nd</sup> St. were present requesting approval to hold Equestrian Team practices at that address on May 14,21,28 and June 4,11, and 18. Neighbors Ken Lemmen has no problem with practices, however he questions the number of horses allowed on the property. He feels Mr. DeVisser is breaking Township Ordinance by having horses boarded on the property. Fillmore Township Ordinance allows 9 horses on this size property. Mr. DeVisser presently owns 7 horses and has 2 stalls available for rent. Lauri DenBleyker feels the DeVisser's have misused the private drive with trailers and heavy traffic.  
After discussion a motion was brought by Keith Potter 2<sup>nd</sup> John Kleinheksel to permit the requested activity. PASSED 5-0.

- 8. Doug Troost Request.**  
Doug Troost of 5714 143<sup>rd</sup> Ave. was present requesting approval for Mud Run events on this property. Mr. Troost has had these events on the past and the Township Board has received comments from neighboring property owners concerning noise. A motion was brought by John Kleinheksel 2<sup>nd</sup> Kenneth DeWeerd to allow Mr. Troost to hold these events June 7, July 5, August 2, September 6 and October 4, from 1p-6p, however if on any of these dates the event becomes a nuisance or violates the Public Nuisance & Anti-Noise Ordinance as determined by our Township Deputy or Township Board, the following events will be disallowed. PASSED 4-1.
- 9. May 6, 2008 School Election.**  
Clerk Kenneth DeWeerd reported very light turnout for the School election as a total of 133 voters participated.
- 10. Received for Information.**  
Phosphorous and watershed report.  
Lakeshore Regional Summit on Racism.  
Allegan County Drain Commission Workshop.
- 11. Road Work.**  
Work orders have been signed for repaving portions of 139<sup>th</sup> Ave. and 54<sup>th</sup> St. and estimates have been received for reconstruction of 52<sup>nd</sup> from 144<sup>th</sup> to 140<sup>th</sup> Ave. Estimated cost to be \$153,000.00.
- 12. Cemetery Update.**  
Work has been done on the East Holland Cemetery driveway, removal of an old building, and placement of a sign on Ottogan. Trimming of the pine trees at the East Saugatuck cemetery has greatly improved the appearance.
- 13. Water Tower Property.**  
The grading and reseeding of the grounds around the tower will be redone.
- 14. Street Lights.**  
Chuck Schaap observed that lights on 136<sup>th</sup> Ave. needed maintenance. This has been completed and the Township will continue to maintain these lights for public safety.
- 15. Fillmore Township Board Minutes.**  
A motion was brought by Chuck Schaap 2<sup>nd</sup> John Kleinheksel to approve the April 8, 2008 Board minutes as presented. PASSED 5-0.
- 16. Monthly Bills.**  
A motion was brought by Janella Hop 2<sup>nd</sup> John Kleinheksel to pay the submitted bills. PASSED 5-0.

**17. Treasurer's Report.**

Balance on Hand April 1, 2008	\$748,178.49
Receipts	\$ 1,957.29
Total	\$749,935.78
Disbursements	\$ 20,115.00
Balance on Hand April 30, 2008	\$729,820.98

**18. Public Participation.**

Todd Boorsma candidate for State Representative of the 88th District was present.  
Amy Schierbeek a government student from Holland Christian High School was present.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Kenneth DeWeerd, Clerk  
Fillmore Township