

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP
ESTABLISHED 1849
ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JULY 8, 2008 7PM

1. **Call to Order.**
Supervisor Keith Potter called the meeting to order at 7PM and opened with prayer.
2. **Roll Call.**
All members were present.
3. **Late Agenda Items.**
Emergency access to I-96.
Ottawa County Fair.
88th District Candidate.
4. **Graafschap Fire Department.**
Captain Doug DenBleyker reported a total of 43 calls for service in June of which 12 were into Fillmore Township consisting of 6 fires and 6 rescues. Many of these calls coincided with the recent storms coming thru the area. He also reported a record 1324 meals were served at the annual July 4th Pancake Breakfast.
5. **Fillmore Township Deputy.**
Deputy Ron Haverdink reported a total of 46 calls for service in June.
6. **Allegan County Commission.**
No Report.
7. **88th State Representative District Candidates.**
Shelly Edgerton and Jeff Farnsworth both candidates for the 88th State Representative District are seeking support in the August 5 Primary Election.
8. **Allegan County Road Commission.**
The Board has received bids for resurfacing 139th Ave. from Blue Star Hwy to 60th St. and 54th St. from 138th Ave. to 141st Ave. in the amount of \$224,811.10, plus county engineering/testing and distribution expense. After discussion a motion was brought by Keith Potter 2nd Chuck Schaap to not except the bid proposal for the following reasons:
 1. 10% engineering/testing cost too high and open-ended.
 2. 4.81% distribution cost also too high.
 3. These costs should be handled as a flat rate per mile not as a percentage of contractor bid.PASSED 5-0.

Supervisor Keith Potter will call the Allegan County Road Commission to determine possible alternative cost methods and the Board will re-visit these projects at a later date.

9. Allegan County Drains.

An application to establish a county drain has been submitted to the Allegan County Drain Commissioner. This drain would be located in Section 7 in Graafschap. Once a district has been established and the acquired signatures of property owners have been obtained the issue will be handled by the Allegan County Drain Commissioner.

10. Fillmore Township Deputy Contract.

Keith Potter will be attending a meeting on July 23 where the Allegan County Sheriff's Department will be reviewing the contracts it has with Township contracting deputies.

11. Fillmore Township Water Sewer Contract Districts.

A contract with Holland Township for a shared line extension is being negotiated with Holland Township and the City of Holland. Final language with payment details will be approved at a later date.

Special assessment districts for the extension of Township water are being circulated. These districts are west on 143rd Ave. to Blue Star Hwy and also may include 142nd Ave. from 56th to 58th St. and west on 142nd to the Country Acres mobile home park.

12. Primary Election Inspectors

Chairman Gerrit Schierbeek

Inspectors Elaine Mokma, Lois Schierbeek, Elaine Flokstra, Laurie Kragt, Beverly Zoerhof, Marilyn Schra, and Laura Mokma.

A motion was brought by Kenneth DeWeerd 2nd John Kleinheksel to approve the Election Committee's appointments.

PASSED 5-0.

13. Emergency Access.

A meeting has been scheduled for information on Graafschap Fire for an Emergency Access to I-96 on September 23, 2008. This access would greatly enhance response times to calls on the I-96 expressway.

14. Cemeteries.

Due to recent storm damage to trees at the East Holland Cemetery a motion was brought by Keith Potter 2nd Chuck Schaap to hire E.Jay Schaap and Dan Schaap for clean-up and brush hogging long this drive for a total of \$500.00.

PASSED 5-0.

15. Fillmore Township Board Minutes.

A motion was brought by John Kleinheksel 2nd Janella Hop to approve the June 10, 2008 Board minutes as presented.

PASSED 5-0.

16. Monthly Bills.

A motion was brought by Kenneth DeWeerd 2nd John Kleinheksel to pay the submitted bills.

PASSED 5-0.

17. Public Participation.

Bob Genitski a candidate for the 88th State Representative District spoke in support in the Primary Election.

Mud run neighbors Roger Jacobs and Doug VerHoeven said the July 5 event was less busy and was less noisy. However their concern is that the event is still a disruption to their normal activities.

Doug Troost said he would monitor the loudspeaker volume, and not use air horn devices at future events. He also states he received no profits from donations gathered for the event

18. Ottawa County Fair.

Complimentary tickets for the Chicken B-B-Que are available to Board members, please inform Elaine Mokma of you desire to addend this event.

19. Treasurer Report:

Balance on Hand June 1, 2008	\$608,948.73
Receipts	\$ 40,948.34
Total	\$649,897.07
Disbursements	\$ 43,776.07
Balance on Hand June 30, 2008	\$606,121.00

Respectfully Submitted,

Kenneth DeWeerd, Clerk
Fillmore Township