

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

ESTABLISHED 1849

ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DECEMBER 10, 2013 7PM

**1. Call to Order.**

Supervisor Ken DeWeerdts called the meeting to order at 7pm. Elaine Mokma opened with prayer and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Roll Call.**

Members Present: Ken DeWeerdts, Janella Hop, Elaine Mokma, Bob Yonker and Chuck Schaap.  
Members Absent: None.

**3. Late Agenda Items.**

None.

**4. Graafschap Fire Department.**

Fire Chief Cal Haverdink reported a total of 34 calls for November 2013. There were 2 fire calls and 4 rescue call for Fillmore Township, also 1 fire assist to Saugatuck Fire Department. Fire Chief reports that the Fire Board will begin the 2014-2015 Budget process in January 2014.

**5. Allegan County Commissioner.**

Jim Storey reported:

- a. Open House dates are being finalized for the new Allegan County Jail, tentative dates are February 20 for Public Officials and March 8 for the general public.
- b. Farm Bureau Insurance possibly to spearhead a broad banding project.
- c. Looking at making M-40 safer.

**6. Fillmore/Overisel Township Deputy.**

In the absence of Deputy Retamal, a report was given by Clerk Mokma. A total of 77 calls for November 2013, 54 calls from Fillmore Township and 23 calls from Overisel.

**7. Public Participation.**

None.

**8. Allegan County Road Commission.**

- a. 2012 Annual Report - Information.
- b. Primary Road Meeting is January 15, 2014, 7pm at the Allegan County Road Commission Building.

**9. Outdoor Discovery Center Macatawa Greenway - Project Clarity.**

Supervisor DeWeerdts explained an outline of a tentative monetary recommendation for Project Clarity from the MACC Executive Committee. This is a 5 year payment schedule that has been presented to the Townships and Cities. This recommendation was received for information.

**10. Fillmore Township Planning Commission.**

Planning Commission member Chuck Schaap gave a report of the November 18, 2013 meeting explaining the proposed Land Use Changes. These proposed changes need the approved of the Board of Trustees.

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Bob Yonker to accept the changes as started by the Planning Commission and also as seen on the map.

Roll Call Vote: Bob Yonker - Yes, Chuck Schaap - Yes, Ken DeWeerdts - Yes, Janella Hop - Yes, Elaine Mokma - Yes.

PASSED.

**11. Horizon Operations.**

The October 2013 report was received for information.

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**12. Fillmore Township Board of Trustees Minutes - November 12, 2013.**

A Motion was brought by Janella Hop and 2nd by Elaine Mokma to approve the minutes as presented.

PASSED 5-0.

**13. Supervisor Updates.**

a. Blue Star Water:

The late Stuart Bouwman has been supplying water to approximately 30 customers. His family is no longer interested in continuing this. This is part of the area within the negotiated agreement from the City of Holland with the LG Chem plant for water extension.

There are 2 options under consideration:

1. The Bouwman family to put in the line and be reimbursed from future hook-ups for service.

2. A Special Assessment District would be created.

The cost of this ½ mile is approximately \$400,000.

At this time the Township is waiting for notification from the Bouwman Family as to how they wish to proceed.

**14. Treasurers Report.**

Balance on Hand November 1, 2013	\$ 38,608.87
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Receipts	\$145,312.25
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Total	\$183,921.12
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Disbursements	\$ 35,665.82
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Balance in Hand November 31, 2013	\$148,225.30
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General Fund	\$250,000.00
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**15. Monthly Bills.**

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Janella Hop to approve the bills as presented.

PASSED 5-0.

**16. Meeting Adjourned.**

There being no other business presented to the Board;

A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerd and 2nd by Chuck Schaap to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm.

PASSED 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Elaine Mokma, Clerk  
Fillmore Township