

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

ESTABLISHED 1849

ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

April 8, 2014 7PM

1. Call to Order.

Supervisor Ken DeWeerdts called the meeting to order at 7pm. Bob Yonker 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.

- a. Rezoning for Peter Yonker and Les Brink properties.
- b. Site Plan - Brink Truck Lines.
- c. Herrick Library.
- d. Holland Township Sewer Contract.
- e. Tret Geurink.

4. Graafschap Fire Department.

Fire Chief Cal Haverdink reported a total of 27 calls for March 2014. There were 2 fire calls and 1 rescue call for Fillmore Township, also 1 fire assist each to Saugatuck Fire and Overisel Fire Department.

Chief Haverdink reported they have installed approximately 150 free smoke detectors through the S.A.F.E. Program.

5. Allegan County Commissioner.

Commissioner Jim Storey reported:

- a. Approximately 1000 people toured the new Jail during the recent Open House. Prisoner occupancy for late May or early June.
- b. Allegan County Animal Shelter has more room available for stray animals, a new system for tracking of dogs is being looked at.
- c. Attended the American Public Power Conference in March.
- d. Possibility of issuing bonds to fund future obligations to employees.
- e. Bonds have been issued for the Holland B.P.W. building. Siemens to supply the generators. Demolition to start this summer with ground breaking April 2015.

6. Fillmore/Overisel Township Deputy.

Officer Ray Retamal reported a total of 81 calls for March 2014, 50 calls from Fillmore Township and 31 calls from Overisel Township.

7. Public Participation.

Paul TerHaar from 138th Ave., owner of Alignments and More expressed concerns regarding a business next to his. Trees have been planted on the property line of his property and Rabbit River - there is nothing in the Zoning Ordinance to govern this. There is also noise and exhaust pollution which may be in violation if extreme.

Officer Retamal will be stopping and observing problems during his times of duty.

Supervisor DeWeerdts will be speaking to Rabbit River owners and discuss these problems and concerns.

8. Allegan County Road Commission.

Commissioner John Kleinheksel was present and reported the tentative date for Frost Laws to be off is April 21, 2014.

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9. 2013-2014 Fillmore Township Financial Statement.

This statement was received for information.

10. Fillmore Township Operating Millage.

The current operating millage is .07962, Supervisor DeWeerdts presented the 3 options to the Board - raise the operating millage to 1 - 1.25 - 1.50 mill.

After some discussion by the Board,

A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerdts and 2nd by Jan Hop to place Headlee Rollback Operating Millage Increase Proposition of 1 mill on the August 5,2014 ballot.

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

PASSED 5-0.

11. Fillmore Township Roads.

2014 Road Projects:

- a. Repaving 138th Ave. of 2 miles.
- b. Crack filling - requests of 2013 will be done this year, that being 143rd Ave of 2 miles and 144th Ave from Blue Star Hwy to 60th St. More can be done if monies are available.
- c. Gravel to be applied to 53rd St., 54th St. and 59th St.
- d. Road Side Mowing - Les Brink has brought interest to do both mowings in Fillmore Township. The John Kleinheksel will bring this to the Road Commission to consider Les Brink for the 1st mowing.
- e. Dust Control - gravel will be applied to all gravel roads with the Road Commission accepting the cheapest bid.

12. Fillmore Township Board of Trustees Minutes -March 11, 2014

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 Letter - A letter was sent to property owners along Blue Star Hwy from 143rd Ave. to 142nd Ave. concerning a possibility of as public water main. A meeting will be held at the Township Hall on May 5, 2014 at 7pm with Ken Bosma of Prein & Newhof in attendance.
- b. MACC Updates: Project Clarity, Grants, Long Range Transportation for 2040, Rail Service from Holland to Detroit are just a few of the things being looked at M.A.C.C.
- c. M.A.C.C. River Clean-up scheduled for April 26, 2014.
- d. M.A.C.C. Policy Meeting will be held at Fillmore Township on April 28, 2014.

14. Late Agenda Items.

a. Rezoning Requests:

The Fillmore Township Planning Commission met on March 17, 2014 to consider and granted 2 requests for rezoning, those being from Peter Yonker to rezone Parcel 0306-020-007-30 from A-1 to A-2 and Les Brink to rezone Parcel #0306-029-014-11 from A-1 AG to C-2 Commercial.

A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerdts and 2nd by Janella Hop to approved these requests.

PASSED 5-0.

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- b. Site Plan Request:
Les Brink from Brink Truck Lines as presented a Site Plan for a Commercial Building.
A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerd and 2nd by Janella Hop to request the Planning Commission review this Plan at their April 28, 2014 meeting.
PASSED 5-0.
- c. Herrick Library:
Information was received from the Library, currently there are 1244 Library cards issued to Fillmore Township resident, this represents approximately 46.4% of the population, annually approximated 20,633 items are being checked out.
Contract termination needs to take place 6 months prior to the end of the fiscal year of the Library.
- d. Holland Township Sewer Contract:
A request has been received from a resident on Ottogan for sewer service from the Holland Township line. This sewer line was installed in 2005 with Holland Township bearing the cost of the project. Reimbursements would be coming to Holland Township through hook-ups from Fillmore Township residents, to date there has only been one. Per this contract, effective 2014 yearly payments of \$10,000 will be made to Holland Township from Fillmore Township less any hook-ups.
- e. Local resident, Tret Geurink did a walking survey of Country Acres Trailer Park and reports there are 95 single trailers, 17 double wide trailers and 6 empty pads.
A phone call will be placed to the Park as to the number of trailers and reimbursement.

15. Treasurers Report.

Balance on Hand March 1, 2014	\$ 72,192.62
Receipts	\$702,240.54
Total	\$774,433.16
Disbursements	\$ 90,583.16
Check #20271 (VanGelder)	\$ 50.79
Balance on Hand March 31, 2014	\$683,900.79

16. Monthly Bills.

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Bob Yonker to approve the bills as presented.
PASSED 5-0.

17. 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