

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

ESTABLISHED 1849

ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 12, 2018 7PM

1. Call to Order.

Supervisor Ken DeWeerdt 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 DeWeerdt, Elaine Mokma, Leah Folkert, Chuck Schaap and Bob Yonker

Members Absent: None

3. Late Agenda Items.

None

4. Graafschap Fire Department.

Fire Chief Doug DenBleyker reported;

- a. A total of 64 calls for May 2018. There being 1 fire calls and 12 medical/rescue calls for Fillmore Township, also 1 fire calls and 1 medical/rescue call to other departments or agencies.

5. Allegan County Commissioner.

Jim Storey being absent sent the following report via email;

- a. Tomorrow, the Board of Commissioners will be meeting with the leaders of the Gun Lake Tribe. They have applied to put 99 acres of agricultural land in Hopkins Twp. into trust. The tribe has said that it will continue its use for agricultural purposes. Hopkins township wants the BOC to object to this move until the tribe outlines its future uses of the land and how it will compensate the various taxing units for the lost revenue. Such an objection would likely require the county to retain legal counsel with an unknown cost and unknown outcome. I am hopeful that our discussion tomorrow will lead to an amicable understanding between the tribe and the county.
- b. Two bills, **HB 5752-53**, introduced into the MI House of Representatives would establish statewide standards for the regulation of septic tanks. One of the sanitarians of the Kent County health department made a presentation to a meeting of the Michigan Association of Counties Monday on some of the impacts of the bills were they to become law. Some of the items in the bills:
 - o Would establish a statewide septic tank code; currently each county has its own regulations;
 - o Require an inspection of all septic tank systems every five to ten years;
 - o Certify septic tank investigators and establish conditions for licensing installers;
 - o Establish guidelines for alternative technologies to septic tank systems;
 - o Would establish fees to state to create the Septic Tank Code, but not fund county health depts.
 - o Estimated cost to homeowner for complying with the regulations is \$300.
 - o Require local health depts. to adopt the state code, as yet unwritten; and
 - o Require any local regulations to be approved by the state.

6. Fillmore/Overisel Township Deputy.

Officer Ray Retamal reported:

- a. 73 calls for May 2018, 39 calls for Fillmore Township and 34 calls for Overisel Township.

7. Public Participation.

- a. Nathan TenBrink.

8. Fillmore Township Board of Trustees Minutes - May 15, 2018.

Upon review of the May 15, 2018 Board of Trustee minutes;

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Leah Folkert to approve the minutes as presented.

PASSED 5-0.

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9. Fillmore Township Planning Commission.

- a. The Fillmore Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on June 25, 2018 to consider a Special Use Permit from Cory Gritter.
- b. The Fillmore Township Planning Commission will also review a Site Plan from Dave Geurink at the June 25, 2018 meeting.

A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerd and 2nd by Bob Yonker to refer these above items to the Fillmore Township Planning Commission.

PASSED 5-0.

10. Supervisor Updates

- a. Following the guidelines of the Consent Judgment of 1999, Hidden Creek must start the Condo/Duplex along 52nd St., that being 15 units. Hidden Creek will be constructing a sewer line on 52nd St. ending at 147th Ave. & 52nd St. to service these units at their expense, this line serves a total of 300 homes and will be constructed to Fillmore Township standards.

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Elaine Mokma to proceed per Consent Judgment. Passed 5-0.

- b. Roadside Mowing.
Les Brink has contracted with the Allegan County Road Commission for the 2018 roadside mowing, this is approximately 73 miles.

- c. Fillmore Township Property.
Eldon Brink will be removing 2 small dead trees and mowing ditches on the Township property.

11. Treasurers Report.

Balance on Hand May 1, 2018	\$860,564.08
Receipts	\$ 61,993.36
Total	\$922,557.44
Disbursements	\$ 557,326.64
Balance on Hand May 31, 2018	\$365,230.80
CD's	
General Fund	\$450,000.00
Utility Fund	\$300,000.00

12. Public Participation.

Nathan TenBrink was present, a Boy Scout with Troup 316 working toward earning a Merit Badge - Citizenship in Community.

13. Monthly Bills.

Upon review of the bills as presented;

A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2nd by Chuck Schaap to approve and pay the bills as submitted.

PASSED 5-0.

14. Meeting Adjourned.

There being no other business presented to the Board;

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

PASSED 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elaine Mokma, Clerk
Fillmore Township

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