

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP
ESTABLISHED 1849
ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OCTOBER 14, 2008 7PM

1. **Call to Order.**
Supervisor Keith Potter called the meeting to order at 7PM and Janella Hop opened with prayer.
2. **Roll Call.**
All members were present.
3. **Late Agenda Items.**
 - Candidates for 48th Circuit Court.
 - Doug Troost mud run.
 - Butch Tanis – road work on 59th St.
4. **Fillmore Township Deputy Report.**
Deputy Ron Haverdink reported 49 calls and responses for the Allegan County Sheriffs Department.
5. **Graafschap Fire Department Report.**
Fire Chief Cal Haverdink reported a total of 28 calls in September of which 8 were into Fillmore Township consisting of 3 fires and 5 rescues.
6. **Allegan County Commissioner.**
No Report.
7. **48th Circuit Court Candidates.**
Candidates Kevin Cronin and William Ballargeon are both seeking support for judgeship in the upcoming November 4 election.
8. **Terry's Precast Site Plan.**
Cal Becksvoort representing Terry's Precast reviewed building plans and a Site Plan for a 12,000 square feet addition to an existing business at 4243 Blue Star Hwy. The proposed building is for storage only, with no machines or processing or production occurring.
A motion was brought by Chuck Schaap 2nd by John Kleinheksel to approve the Site Plan as presented with the following provisions:
 - a. Knox Box for emergency use.
 - b. All landscaping and all drives and loading areas to be hard surfaced by June 15, 2009.
 - c. Dumpster location between old and new building.

- d. Provision b. as stated in minutes of the Planning Commission meeting of September 15, 2008 dealing with usage change.

PASSED 5-0.

9. D & L Warehouse Site Plan.

Les Brink was present with a Site Plan for D & L Warehouse at 3896 58th St.. Mr. Brink is proposing a 65,000 square foot building on the current site to be detached from the present warehouse but connected by a 22-foot corridor.

A motion was brought by Kenneth DeWeerd 2nd by Janella Hop to approve the Site Plan with the following provisions:

- a. Corridor to have fire doors from both ways.
- b. All drives and parking areas plus loading areas to be hard surfaced by June 15, 2009.
- c. All landscaping to be completed by June 15, 2009.
- d. Pond to be increased in size to handle all parking and roof run-off.
- e. All provisions a. thru g. as stated in minutes of the Planning Commission meeting of September 15, 2008.

PASSED 5-0.

10. Fillmore Township Property Purchase Resolution 2008-2.

Property located at 5733 142nd Ave., 5.7 acres has become available to the Township by way of Tax Fore Closure.

A motion was brought by Keith Potter 2nd by Chuck Schaap to purchase the parcel #0306-017-005-00 for the sum of \$2,130.68.

PASSED 5-0.

This property will be used for a Township Park. The property is adjacent to the Outdoor Discovery Center property and O.D.C. will clean the property site of debris. They will also build and maintain a drive, parking area and any other structure for the use by the general public on this parcel or any access to O.D.C.

11. Mechanical Inspector.

Fillmore Township is a part of the group that hires one inspector for its Mechanical Inspections. Several of the larger Townships and City of Zeeland have decided to terminate the services of Holwerda Huizenga Mechanical Contractors Inc.

To maintain conformity, a motion was brought by Keith Potter 2nd by Kenneth DeWeerd to give Mr. Holwerda a 30-day termination and hire the new inspector West Shore Inspections L.L.C. as chosen by the groups of Townships and City.

PASSED 5-0.

12. I-96 Emergency Access.

A letter of information has been received from Laketown Township addressing the matter of access to I-96 for emergency use.

The Board continues to support the idea for this access by our Fire Department for better response in emergencies on this high incident area.

- 13. Herrick District Library.**
An article pertaining to Herrick Library usage by the outlying Townships was received for information. At this time no formal request for funds has been received.
- 14. Fillmore Township Water System.**
Horizon's monthly report on water usage and maintenance was received for information.
Keith Potter reported that circulators of petitions for other possible S.A.D.'s have requested an additional 30 days to contact parcel owners.
- 15. Proposed Water Ordinance.**
A proposed change to the Water Ordinance was tabled at this time.
- 16. Fillmore Township Planning Commission.**
Chuck Schaap reported on the September 15, 2008 Commission meeting. The Board thanks the Planning Commission for their work on the Site Plans of D & L Warehouse and Terry's Precast.
- 17. Fillmore Township Board Minutes.**
A motion was brought by Janella Hop and 2nd by Chuck Schaap to approve the September Board minutes as presented.
PASSED 5-0.
- 18. Monthly Bills.**
A motion was brought by John Kleinheksel 2nd Janella Hop to approve the payment of the bills as submitted.
PASSED 5-0.
- 19. Public Participation.**
Butch Tanis was present to inquire the reason why the reconstruction of 59th St. did not begin. The Board maintains its decision not to accept the bid from the Allegan County Road Commission to reconstruct part of 59th St.

Neighbors of Douglas Troost, promoter of recent Mud Runs were present stating their displeasure with the October 4, 2008 event. Doug VerHoeven, Roger Jacobs, and Travis Williams of the OutDoor Discovery Center spoke of excess noise at the final event. Also the time frame of the event was violated by running machines on the Friday before and Sunday following. Mud on the road was not removed until Sunday. Deputy Ron Haverdink also stated that engine and speaker noise seemed to be excessive at this event, however there were no calls he received to make a complaint. The Board will notify Mr. Troost that future events will not be allowed.

Jerome Bush spoke in support of candidate Kevin Cronin for Judge. Mr. Bush feels that Mr. Cronin better represents the character and believes of our citizens.

20. Treasurer's Report.

Balance on Hand September 1, 2008	\$565,838.69
Receipts	\$ 51,307.56
Total	\$617,146.25
Disbursements	\$ 30,220.94
Balance on Hand September 30, 2008	\$586,925.31

21. Receipt of Gifts.

The Board acknowledges thanks for a \$1000 donation to the OutDoor Discovery Center and a Cemetery Gurney to the Graafschap Historical Center.

Meeting adjourned 9:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kenneth DeWeerd, Clerk
Fillmore Township