

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

ESTABLISHED 1849

ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AUGUST 13, 2013 7PM

**1. Call to Order.**

Supervisor Ken DeWeerdts called the meeting to order at 7pm. Chuck Schaap led in prayer and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Roll Call.**

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

**3. Late Agenda Items.**

- a. Internet signage on Township and private properties.
- b. Rezoning Request.

**4. Graafschap Fire Department.**

Fire Chief Cal Haverdink reported a total of 43 calls for July 2013. There were 2 fire calls and 9 rescue calls for Fillmore Township.

**5. Allegan County Commission.**

Jim Storey reported:

- a. Update on the new Allegan County Jail - heavy construction done by September or October 2013. A Transition Consult is being hired to facilitate the move of inmates in January 2014, also staffing and transporting of prisoners to the jail following pre-trial hearings. Pre-trial hearings hopefully to be done via video conferences, this has the potential to be a savings of approximately 3 million dollars.
- b. The Economic Development Commission is looking to hire a part time coordinator to work with 3 other entities to ensure that Allegan County is given coverage.
- c. Leadership Conference to be held on October 30, 2013

**6. Fillmore/Overisel Deputy.**

Office Ray Retamal reported a total of 72 calls for July 2013, 47 calls from Fillmore Township and 25 call from Overisel Township.

The new police vehicle has been sent to C-Com in Allegan for equipment installation, following that Accent Sign will apply graphics.

**7. ACE Communications.**

Corey Compagner with ACE Communications spoke briefly regarding some options that may be available for Fillmore Township residents for high speed internet.

Mr. Compagner to meet with Supervisor DeWeerdts to look closer at these options

**8. Public Participation.**

None.

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**9. Allegan County Road Commission.**

- a. A 2nd roadside mowing will happen later this summer. Supervisor DeWeerd to contact Les Brink and the Allegan County Road Commission for a cost comparison.
- b. Crack filling for 143rd and 144th Ave. to be done in the next 30 days.
- c. 138th Ave. repaving will be completed this calendar year, the culvert to be replaced by the end of the calendar year.
- d. Road Commission John Kleinheksel reports a busy summer for the Road Commission. Funding from gas tax changes will bring no changes for the Commission.
- e. 56th St. will be repaved using funds from the M.A.C.C., paved shoulders will also be part of the project.

**10. Fillmore Township Planning Commission.**

The Fillmore Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on August 19, 2013. Rick Baarman has requested a Special Use Permit for his property. Ken Dettloff, Township Planner will bring Land Use information for the Planning Commission.

**11. Allegan County Community Mental Health.**

This organization will hold a Community Meeting on August 27, 2013 from 6:00 to 7:30pm. This meeting is open to the public and light refreshments will be served.

**12. Fillmore Township Building & Grounds.**

- a. A bid was received from Straightline Lawn Care and Busscher Septic for improvements on the south end of the Township property (Consumers Right of Way). A Motion was brought by Bob Yonker and 2nd by Chuck Schaap to approve these bids. PASSED 5-0.  
Supervisor DeWeerd to contact these companies to begin the project.
- b. 2 bids were reviewed for a Copy Machine purchase - RICOH and Applied Imaging. A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerd and 2nd by Janella Hop to purchase a new copy machine - low bid. No service agreement will be purchased at this time. PASSED 5-0.  
Clerk Mokma will call RICOH and inquire as to a matching bid. RICOH has serviced and supplied the Township with copy machine and service for over 15 years.
- c. The new computer for the Township Treasurer is up and running.

**13. Fillmore Township Board of Trustee Minutes - July 9, 2013.**

A Motion was brought by Janella Hop and 2nd by Bob Yonker to approve these minutes as presented. PASSED 5-0.

**14. Supervisor Updates.**

- a. M.A.C.C. Delivery of Service - very few of these services would benefit Fillmore Township at this time.  
Regional Funding for Regional Assets - The Board at this time feels that endorsing the Delivery of Service would not mean funding for Regional Assets.  
A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Janella Hop to endorse this Delivery of Service with no financial contributions at this time. PASSED 5-0.

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- b. M.A.C.C. Policy Meeting, August 26, 2013 will be held at Fillmore Equipment. this is a public meeting. Fillmore Township is the host community for this meeting and a brief update of the area will be given by Supervisor DeWeerd. Fillmore Township is the #1 agricultural producer in Allegan County.

**15. Treasurers Report.**

Balance on Hand July 1, 2013	\$112,469.66
Receipts	\$ 34,938.61
Total	\$147,408.27
Disbursements	\$ 60,433.49
Balance on Hand July 31, 2013	\$ 86,974.78

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General Fund \$400,000.00

**16. Monthly Bills.**

A Motion was brought by Bob Yonker and 2nd by Ken DeWeerd to pay the bills as submitted.  
PASSED 5-0.

**17. Late Agenda Items.**

- a. Trustee Chuck Schaap had a phone conversation with a company placing signs along the road advertizing internet service, they were informed these signs would be removed when found, as this is not conforming to the Fillmore Township Zoning Ordinance.
- b. Supervisor Ken DeWeerd presented a rezoning request to the Board from Jerry Molengraf for property located at 143rd Ave. and 56th St., Parcel #0306-016-027-00.  
A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerd and 2nd by Chuck Schaap to send this request to the Fillmore Township Planning Commission.  
PASSED 5-0.

**18. Meeting Adjourned.**

There being no other business present to the Board;  
A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Janella Hop to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm.  
PASSED 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Elaine Mokma, Clerk  
Fillmore Township