

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

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FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

September 11, 2018 7PM

1. **Call to Order.**  
Supervisor Ken DeWeerdts called the meeting to order at 7pm; opened with prayer and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Roll Call.**  
Members Present: Ken DeWeerdts, Leah Folkert, Elaine Mokma, Bob Yonker and Chuck Schaap.  
Members Absent: None.
3. **Late Agenda Items.**
  - a. Bob Yonker – East Saugatuck Cemetery
4. **Graafschap Fire Department.**  
Fire Chief Doug DenBleyker was absent with notice, but submitted a report;
  - a. A total of 57 calls for August 2018. There were 9 rescue calls and 2 fire calls for Fillmore Township, also 3 fire calls and 1 medical/rescue call to other agencies.
5. **Fillmore/Overisel Township Deputy.**  
Officer Ray Retamal reported:
  - a. 84 calls for August 2018, 57 calls for Fillmore Township and 27 calls for Overisel Township.
6. **Allegan County Commissioner.**  
Jim Storey reported:
  - a. The Board of Commissioners will be meeting on Thursday September 13, 2018 to consider 2 applicants for the position of Allegan County Road Commission. A decision will be made that night with the appointment of 1 individual to fill the vacancy left by the death of Bob Kaarlie.
  - b. 17 wells in the Otsego area and 2 wells in the Kalamazoo area have been found to have high levels of dioxide.
  - c. October 2018 the Board of Commissioners will begin working on the 2018-2019 Budget.
7. **Public Participation.**  
None.
8. **Fillmore Township Board of Trustees Minutes - August 14, 2018.**  
Upon review of the August 14, 2018 minutes;  
A Motion was brought by Bob Yonker and 2nd by Chuck Schaap to approve the minutes as presented.  
PASSED 5-0.
9. **Fillmore Township Rezoning Request**
  - a. A rezoning request has been received from Dan Dygraaf and Gary Genzink for 32 +/- acres located at 143<sup>rd</sup> Ave & M-40. A Public Hearing will be held on October 8, 2018.  
The request is to rezone this property to M.I.C.  
A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerdts and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Leah Folkert to refer this request to the Fillmore Township Planning Commission for a Public Hearing.  
PASSED 5-0.
10. **Fillmore Township Planning Commission.**  
The minutes of the August 13, 2018 meeting were received for information.
11. **Supervisor Update.**
  - a. September 11, 2018 Supervisor DeWeerdts will be meeting with Keith VanBeek, Holland City Manager. One item to be discussed is the availability of City utilities to Fillmore Township.
  - b. Tim Buckman, Executive Director of the M.A.C.C. will be meeting with Supervisor DeWeerdts on September 14, 2018 at the Township.
  - c. Hidden Creek Sewer hasn't been started to date, plans are to begin fall of 2018.

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- d. A PA 116 (Farmland Preservation Program) has been received from Dykhuis Farms for 2 parcels – approximately 60 acres.  
A Motion was received from Chuck Schaap and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Yonker to accept this application. Clerk Mokma to sign and send on to the proper agencies.  
PASSED 5-0.

- d. East Holland Cemetery has had the tree line mowed.
- e. East Saugatuck Cemetery has had a tree removed & driveways were graded.

**12. F.O.I.A. Request.**

Clerk Mokma updated the Board of Trustees of receiving a F.O.I.A. Request from the United Impact Group for records of the November 2016 Election. This request has been received by the entire State of Michigan. This request was forwarded to Township’s lawyer Ron Bultje for legal response. Currently no response or 50% payment has been received from this group. Until 50% payment has been received no records of the November 2016 will be readied for this group.

**13. Late Agenda Item.**

- a. East Saugatuck Cemetery - Bob Yonker had samples of brick for the pillars at the entrance to the Cemetery. It was the decision of the Board to have the contractor look for a more reddish brick as is currently the color of the pillars.

**14. Treasurers Report.**

Balance on Hand August 1, 2018	\$181,216.48
Receipts	\$ 5,700.74
Total	\$186,917.22
Disbursements	\$ 60,614.67
Balance on Hand August 31, 2018	\$126,302.55
CD’s	
General Fund	\$601,000.29
Utility Fund	\$400,000.00

**15. Monthly Bills.**

Upon review of the bills as presented;  
A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Yonker to approve the bills as presented.  
PASSED 5-0.

**16. Township Correspondence Received**

- a. Correspondence of appreciation was received from the Out Door Discovery Center for the Townships continued partnership.
- b. Nora Balgoyen of ITC informed the Township of a \$500 reimbursement for replacement of 2 red maple trees that were cut down to eliminate any potential interference with Consumers Power Utility Lines.

**17. There being no other business presented to the Board;**

A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Mokma to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm.  
PASSED 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Elaine Mokma, Clerk  
Fillmore Township