

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

ESTABLISHED 1849

ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

August 11, 2020 7PM

**1. Call to Order.**

Supervisor Ken DeWeerdts called the meeting to order at 7pm, with the Board observed social distancing, Elaine Mokma opened with prayer and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Roll Call.**

Members Present: Ken DeWeerdts, Leah Folkert, Elaine Mokma, Chuck Schaap and Bob Yonker.

Members Absent: None

**3. Late Agenda Items.**

- a. East Saugatuck Cemetery – Bob Yonker.
- b. Supervisor DeWeerdts – Site Plan in a Commercial zone.
- c. Sidewalk repairs – 136<sup>th</sup> Ave/50<sup>th</sup> St.

**4. Graafschap Fire Department.**

Fire Chief Doug DenBleyker submitted the following report;

- a. A total of 68 calls for July 2020. There were 16 medical calls and 1 fire calls for Fillmore Township, there were 5 fire calls to other agencies.

**5. Fillmore/Overisel Township Deputy.**

Officer Tyler Langerak submitted the following report;

- a. 77 calls for July 2020, 47 calls for Fillmore Township and 30 calls for Overisel Township.

**6. Allegan County Commissioner.**

Jim Storey submitted the following report;

- a. North St. building has been sold for \$286,000.00. This was a building owned by Allegan County.
- b. Bids for a new entrance to the County building have been approved.
- c. On Thursday August 13, 2020, Board of Commissioners will look at extending Covid-19 testing.
- d. Holland voters who live in Allegan County will have a special mail-in election to decide 2 county-wide millage proposals that were mistakenly left off their August 4, 2020 primary ballot. Ballots to be mailed out on August 17, 2020, voters will have 5 business days to return them to the Holland City Clerk's office.

**7. Public Participation.**

Jim Ruiz of 3666 Lincoln Rd. was present with questions regarding the assessment and tax bill for his property. This is being referred to the Fillmore Township Assessor.

**8. Fillmore Township Board of Trustees Minutes - July 14, 2020.**

Upon review of the July 14, 2020 minutes;

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Yonker to accept these minutes as presented with the addition of PASSED 5-0 being added to 10 a.

PASSED 5-0.

**9. August 4, 2020 Primary Election.**

Clerk Mokma gave a report on the August 4, 2020 Primary Election, a total of 831 votes were casted, of those votes 442 were voter in the precinct and 389 were Absentee Votes. Due to many ballot jams and the increasing number of absentee ballots an AV Counting Board is needed. The cost of a new tabulator and ballot box is approximately \$5,300. Monies should be available from the Cares Act to cover ½ of this cost. Clerk is authorized to complete the purchase of this equipment.

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**10. Fillmore Township Planning Commission – August 10, 2020 Meeting.**

Trustee and Planning Commission member Chuck Schaap gave a verbal report of the Planning Commission meeting held last evening.

- a. A Public Hearing was held at the request of Mark and David Geurink for property located on 141<sup>st</sup> Ave., 0306-019-009-00. The request was to rezone this property from R-1 to C-2 to enable the construction of a storage building.

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Leah Folkert to allow this rezoning request of R-1 to C-2 as presented by the Planning Commission.

PASSED 5-0.

- b. Supervisor DeWeerd has received 2 rezoning requests were received Harold Slenk and Village Self Storage. These requests were sent to the Planning Commission from the Board of Trustees.

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Mokma to refer these 2 requests for rezoning to the Fillmore Township Planning Commission. Public Hearing to be held on August 31, 2020.

**11. Supervisor Updates.**

- a. Fillmore Township Roads – 54<sup>th</sup> St. Culvert repair to be completed fall of 2020.
- b. A sketch site plan was received from Eugene Smith for property located at approximately 5790 143<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Parcel 0306-017-014-34. Mr. Smith wishes to construct a building for personal storage. Due to the present zoning of the property and the plan, Supervisor will allow a building permit to be taken out and not have this site plan reviewed by the Planning Commission. Any future different use will require approval.

**12. Late Agenda Items.**

- a. Bob Yonker has received a verbal quote of \$350-\$500 for brush mowing & removal around the outer edges of the East Saugatuck Cemetery. Mr. Yonker will coordinate this work with the contractor.
- b. Chuck Schaap reported new gas line was laid on 50<sup>th</sup> St. north of 136<sup>th</sup> Ave. The sidewalk has yet to be replaced/repared following this construction.

**12. Treasurers Report.**

**General Fund.**

Balance on Hand July 1, 2020	\$218,624.07
Receipts	\$ 42,788.61
	\$261,412.68
Disbursements	\$ 59,163.93
Balance on Hand July 31, 2020	\$202,248.75

**CD's**

General Fund	\$600,817.38
Total General Fund	\$803,066.13

**Utility Fund.**

Balance on Hand July 1, 2020	\$ 43,846.63
Receipts	\$ 100.37
	\$ 43,947.00
Disbursements	\$ 3,000.84
Balance on Hand July 31, 2020	\$ 40,946.16

**CD's**

Utility Fund	\$300,018.70
Total Utility Fund	\$340,964.86

**13. Monthly Bills.**

Upon review of the bills as presented;

A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerd and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chuck Schaap to approve the bills as presented.

PASSED 5-0.

**14. November 2020 Millage Ballot Language.**

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Following the virtual meeting of the Board of Trustees on August 10, 2020, Ballot Language for Fire and 1<sup>st</sup> Response and Road Repair and Maintenance has been forwarded to the Allegan County Clerk Office and will be placed on the November 3, 2020 ballot.

**15. Fillmore Township 2020 Audit.**

The 2020 audit for Fillmore Township has been completed. Copies are available.

**16. Fillmore Township Recycling.**

A 3 year recycling contract has been received from Republic Waste Services. At this time the Township will not be signing this contract. Clerk to inform Republic of this decision.

**17. Meeting Adjourn.**

There being no other business presented to the Board;

A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Yonker to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm.

PASSED 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Elaine Mokma, Clerk  
Fillmore Township