

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

ESTABLISHED 1849

ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 14, 2023 7PM

1. Call to Order.

Supervisor Ken DeWeerdts call the meeting to order. Bob Yonker with prayer and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call.

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

Members Absent: None

3. Late Agenda Items.

a. Supervisor DeWeerdts - Remarks

4. Allegan County Commissioner.

Jim Storey was absent with notice. He sent a report which the Board took as information.

5. Fillmore/Overisel Deputy.

Officer Dillon Schmitt submitted the following report;

a. There were 78 calls for January 2023, 56 calls for Fillmore Township and 22 for Overisel Township.

6. Graafschap Fire Department.

Fire Chief Doug DenBleyker reported;

a. A total of 54 calls for January 2023. There were 10 medical/rescue calls and 1 fire call for Fillmore Township, there were 4 fire calls and 2 medical/rescue calls to other agencies.

7. Public Participation.

None.

8. Fillmore Township Deputy Clerk Appointment.

Due to the death of Laura Mokma, the Deputy Clerk;

A Motion was brought by Elaine Mokma and 2nd by Leah Folkert to appoint Michelle Herman as the new Deputy Clerk for Fillmore Township.

PASSED 5-0.

9. Fillmore Township Board of Trustees Minutes – February 6, 2023.

Upon review of the January 10, 2023 minutes;

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

PASSED 5-0.

10. Fillmore Township Planning Commission.

a. The Planning Commission held a Public Hearing on February 6, 2023 to amend the Landscape Ordinance for Fillmore Township

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Leah Folkert to adopt the amendment to Chapter 16.32, Landscape and Screening Standards of the Fillmore Township Zoning Ordinance.

PASSED 5-0.

b. Site Plan Review – Cory Gritter Oak & Elm Event Center.

A preliminary review took place at the January 9, 2023 meeting. Owner Cory Gritter was present at that meeting. Don Gritter was present at this final review. Mr. TenPas stated that the construction would take place during the summer months and would comply with the requirements set forth by;

1. Allegan County Health Department for well and septic.
2. Graafschap Fire Department, including maximum public capacity.
3. Allegan County Drain Commission for storm water management.
4. Fillmore Township Zoning Ordinance.

Comments;

1. Concerning traffic going in and out only to 140th Ave.
2. Concern for location almost totally surrounded by Agricultural land use.
3. Excellent plan, should be an asset to the area.

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A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Bob Yonker to approve this Site Plan Review with the requirements as listed above.

PASSED 5-0.

c. The Planning Commission will hold a Special Meeting on March 20, 2023.

11. Supervisor Updates.

a. A preliminary 2023-2024 Budget for Fillmore Township was available.

A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerdts and 2nd by Elaine Mokma to hold a Public Hearing for the adoption of the 2023-2024 Budget at the March 14, 2023, 7:30pm Board meeting.

Clerk Mokma to send notice to the Holland Sentinel.

PASSED 5-0.

b. Fillmore Township 2022-2023 Budget Amendments.

The following amendments will be made to the 2022-2023 Budget;

1. Planning Commission - \$6,000.00 to \$7,000.00

2. Library - \$28,000.00 to \$34,000.00

3. Transfer Station - \$9,000.00 to \$12,000.00

A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2nd by Ken DeWeerdts to accept these Budget Amendments as presented.

PASSED 5-0.

c. Salaries 2023-2024

1. Planning Commission - \$115.00 to \$125.00 \$105.00 to \$115.00 \$95.00 to \$105.00 (Chair/Secretary/Members) (Meeting)

2. Board of Review - \$150.00/day to \$165.00/day

3. Board of Appeal - \$55.00 to \$75.00 (Per Meeting)

4. Cemetery Sexton - \$650.00 to \$700.00 (Yrly)

5. Assessor - \$11,500 to \$12,500.00 (Yrly)

6. Secretary - \$12,500.00 to \$13,500.00 (Yrly)

7. Custodian - \$50.00 to \$80.00 (monthly)

8. Fire Board Salary - \$250.00 (Yrly)

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Elaine Mokma to approve the above salary increases for 2023-2024.

PASSED 5-0.

d. Due to the absence of the Supervisor for the April 11, 2023 Board meeting an alternate date will be determined.

e. At the upcoming meeting of the Allegan County Road Commission on February 15, 2023, road bids for Fillmore Township will be let out. Repaving for this year is estimated to be approximately \$415,000.00.

f. Semco Franchise;

A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerdts and 2nd by Elaine Mokma to adopt a 30yr Semco Franchise. This is for a period of 30 years. Resolution 2023-01.

PASSED 5-0.

g. Thank-you cards of correspondence were received from the families of Jerome Bush & Laura Mokma.

h. M.A.C.C. submitted a 2022 Value Report for Fillmore Township.

i. Ron Bultje is updating the Stormwater Ordinance for Fillmore Township; a final draft will soon be available.

j. O.D.C. will be updating the Supervisor on repairs needed at CottonWood Park.

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12. Treasurer's Report.

General Fund

Balance on Hand January 1, 2023	\$ 52,115.92
Receipts	\$263,552.45
Disbursements	\$315,668.37
Balance on Hand January 31, 2023	\$ 58,297.17

CD's

General Fund	\$550,484.52
Total General Fund	\$608,781.69

Utility Fund

Balance on Hand January 1, 2023	\$138,840.19
Receipts	\$ 7,301.87
	\$146,142.06
Disbursements	\$ 5,042.45
Balance on Hand January 1, 2023	\$141,099.61

CD's

Utility Fund	\$101,447.70
Grand Total January 31, 2023	\$242,547.31

13. Monthly Bills

Upon review of the bills as presented;

A Motion was received from Bob Yonker and 2nd by Chuck Schaap to approve the bills as presented, those bills being Payroll, General Fund, Utility Fund.

PASSED 5-0.

14. Meeting Adjourned.

There being no other business presented to the Board;

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

PASSED 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine Mokma, Clerk
Fillmore Township