

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

ESTABLISHED 1849

ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2024, 7PM

1. Call to Order.

Trustee Chuck Schaap called the meeting to order. Leah Folkert opened with prayer and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call.

Members Present: Elaine Mokma, Bob Yonker, Leah Folkert, Chuck Schaap and Deputy Supervisor John Yonker.

Members Absent: None

3. Swearing In.

To fill the vacancy of Township Supervisor due to the death of Supervisor Ken DeWeerd, Deputy Supervisor John Yonker was sworn in by Clerk Mokma. Mr. Yonker will be filling the remainder of the term of Township Supervisor.

4. Late Agenda Items.

- a. SCN Website Proposal
- b. East Holland Cemetery – Information Memo

5. Graafschap Fire Department.

Fire Chief Doug DenBleyker submitted the following report;

- a. A total of 69 calls for May 2024. There were 7 medical/rescue calls and 17 fire calls for Fillmore Township. 3 medical/rescue calls, 5 fire calls to other agencies and 3 assist from other agencies.
- b. Bob Yonker reported the Hamilton Fire Board will have a mid-term meeting on Thursday June 13, 2024 at 7AM.
Tim Hofman Fire Board member representing Fillmore Township will be submitting a letter of resignation at the meeting. The Fire Board will be seeking a new member to replace Mr. Hofman.

6. Fillmore/Overisel Deputy.

Officer Dillon Schmitt submitted the following report;

- a. There were 80 calls for May 2024, 51 calls for Fillmore Township and 29 for Overisel Township.

7. Allegan County Commissioner.

Jim Storey reported;

- a. May 24, 2024 Officials from Saugatuck Township, Allegan County Road Commission and federal representatives toured the Lakeshore Dr. washout. This washout occurred in 1988 and causes delayed response times for emergency agencies. There is a possibility of relocating this portion of the washed out road to the east.
- b. June 8, 2024 the Allegan County Historic District opened the 1960 time capsule that was placed in the Allegan County Court House. A new time capsule will be placed when the addition to the Court House is complete.
- c. 123 Net has to date installed 1000 feet of cable. 11,000 Allegan County residents will be served at completion.
- d. The 2023 Allegan County Annual Report was presented as information.

8. Public Participation.

- a. William Baillargeon – 57th District Court Judge, seeking re-election.
- b. Emily Jipp – Candidate for the newly created 48th Circuit Court Judge.
- c. Dean Brandt – Candidate for the Allegan County Sheriff.
- d. Several Fillmore Township residents bringing concerns regarding traffic and speed on 52nd St. between 146th & 147th Ave. and questions on future annexations by the City of Holland.

9. Fillmore Township Board of Trustees Minutes – May 14 & May 23, 2024.

Upon review of the May 14, 2024 and May 23, 2024 minutes as presented;

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

PASSED 5-0.

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10. Fillmore Township Planning Commission – June 10, 2024

Chuck Schaap gave a report of the June 10, 2024 Planning Commission meeting,

- a. A Site Plan was reviewed for an addition to Graafschap CRC.
- b. Truck Route Ordinance was discussed for the Township. This is the first step for creating a Truck Route Ordinance for the Township.
- c. The Planning Commission will hold a meeting on June 24, 2024 at 7pm for education, questions and any other business that comes before the Board.

11. Election Equipment.

Clerk Mokma reported that an existing ballot box has been rewired by Election Source to fit the new high-speed tabulator. The collapsible box was returned to Election Source.

12. Late Agenda Item.

- a. Treasurer Folkert & Clerk Mokma reported on a meeting with SCN Communications, LLC., for the purpose of building a new website.

A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2nd by Bob Yonker to hire SCN Communications, LLC to build a new website for the Township at a cost of \$2,400.00 + a \$200 pro-rated hosting & security fee for 2024. Annual hosting & security for 2025.

PASSED 5-0.

13. Treasurer's Report.

General Fund

Balance on Hand May 1, 2024	\$495,056.45
Receipts	\$540,908.98
Disbursements	\$981,341.29
Balance on Hand May 31, 2024	\$ 54,624.14

CD's

General Fund	\$1,602,124.92
Total General Fund	\$1,656,749.06

Utility Fund

Balance on May 1, 2024	\$ 47,149.63
Receipts	\$ 2,020.97
Disbursements	\$ 4,546.85
Balance on Hand May 30, 2024	\$ 44,623.75

CD's

Utility Fund	\$144,623.75
Total Utility Fund	\$ 44,873.08

14. 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.

15. Closed Session Discussion.

A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2nd by Elaine Mokma to open the Closed Session.

Roll Call Vote: Bob Yonker – YES, Elaine Mokma – YES, Leah Folkert – YES and Chuck Schaap – YES, John Yonker – YES.

Passed 5-0.

A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2nd by Elaine Mokma to close the Closed Session.

Roll Call Vote: Bob Yonker – YES, Elaine Mokma – YES, Leah Folkert – YES and Chuck Schaap – YES, John Yonker – YES.

Passed 5-0.

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16. 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 8:50 pm.

PASSED 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elaine Mokma, Clerk
Fillmore Township