

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

ESTABLISHED 1849

ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 9, 2021 7PM

1. Call to Order.

Supervisor Ken DeWeerdts called the meeting to order at 7pm, with the Board observed social distancing, Chuck Schaap 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.

None.

4. Graafschap Fire Department.

Fire Chief Doug DenBleyker reported;

a. A total of 61 calls for January 2021. There were 9 medical calls and 2 fire calls for Fillmore Township for a total of 183 calls in 2020. There was 1 medical and 4 fire calls to other agencies.

b. Fire Board Chairman Bob Yonker presented the 2021-2022 Budget.

A Motion was brought by Bob Yonker and 2nd by Chuck Schaap to approve the proposed budget of \$679,192.00 for the Graafschap Fire Department. Fillmore Township's share is \$143,074.00 (21.19%) of that Budget, this being a combination of calls and S.E.V. from Fillmore Township.

PASSED by Roll Call Vote:

Bob Yonker – YES; Chuck Schaap – YES; Ken DeWeerdts – YES; Elaine Mokma – YES; Leah Folkert – YES.

PASSED 5-0.

Chairman Yonker expressed his appreciation to the Department for the timely response and professional manner in which calls are handled.

5. Fillmore/Overisel Township Deputy.

Officer Joe Knapp reported;

a. 68 calls for January 2021, 53 calls for Fillmore Township and 15 calls for Overisel Township.

6. Allegan County Commissioner.

Jim Storey reported;

a. Covid vaccinations are going well with over 10,000 individuals having received the vaccine.

b. The Board of Commissioners will be considering the adoption of a Brownfield Plan for 431 Helen Ave., Otsego, MI, the site of the former Rock Tenn Papermill. This Plan would allow Allegan County to seek reimbursement for demolition, clean-up, site preparation and infrastructure costs. The Brownfield Plan must first be approved by the Allegan County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, City of Otsego, followed by the Allegan County Board of Commissioners.

c. The Board will be considering a policy to live stream the Board meetings.

d. Aric Nesbitt has introduced a Senate Bill 46 for WIFI/Broadband for Allegan County.

7. Public Participation.

None.

8. Fillmore Township Board of Trustees Minutes - January 12, 2021.

Upon review of the January 12, 2021 minutes;

A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2nd by Elaine Mokma to approve these minutes as presented.

PASSED 5-0.

9. Fillmore Township Planning Commission – February 1, 2021 Meeting.

Trustee and Planning Commission member Chuck Schaap gave a verbal report of the Planning Commission meeting held February 1, 2021.

a. 2 rezoning requests have been received. Public Hearings to consider these requests will be held on March 2, 2021 7pm.

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A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerd and 2nd by Chuck Schaap to accept the rezoning requests of H.E.S. & TB Services and forward them to the Planning Commission for the March 2, 2021 hearings.
PASSED 5-0.

- b. Agri-Tourism District was discussed with the Planning Commission feeling no changes are necessary at this time.
- c. Short Term Rentals were discussed, the Planning Commission has requested Ken Dettloff Professional Planner for Fillmore Township to offer ideas, verbage and recommendations.
- d. The Minutes of the February 1, 2021 meeting were received for information.

10. Supervisor Updates.

- a. A preliminary 2021-2022 Budget was available for the Board. A Budget Hearing will be held on March 9, 2021 at 7:30pm. Notice to be published in the Holland Sentinel.
- b. A 2020 Building Permit report was received from P.C.I. for information.
- c. A Consent for representation has been received from Dickinson Wright PLLC which will allow Ron Bultje to represent Fillmore Township with the City of Holland in a 425 Agreement.
- d. Fillmore Township Cemetery Rates.
Upon view of the cemetery rates;
A Motion was brought by Bob Yonker and 2nd by Leah Folkert to increase the Resident rate from \$100.00 to \$200.00 and the Non-Resident rate from \$500.00 to \$700.00.
PASSED 5-0.
This increase will take effect immediately.
- e. M.A.C.C.
 - a. An active signal will be installed at the intersection of 136th Ave. & M-40 in 2022, along with funds for construction on M-40 from 136th Ave. to 48th St.
 - b. The M.A.C.C. continues to experience staffing fluctuations.

11. Treasurers Report.

General Fund.

Balance on Hand January 1, 2021	\$ 89,208.53
Receipts	\$201,855.88
	\$291,064.41
Disbursements	\$122,108.84
Balance on Hand January 31, 2021	\$168,955.57
Total for General Fund	\$168,955.57

Utility Fund.

Balance on Hand January 1, 2021	\$ 45,140.25
Receipts	\$ 13,401.52
	\$ 58,541.77
Disbursements	\$ 4,683.19
Balance on Hand January 31, 2021	\$ 53,858.58

CD's

Grand River Bank	\$150,333.18
United Bank	\$100,189.72
Total for Utility Fund	\$304,381.48

12. Monthly Bills.

Upon review of the bills as presented;
A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerd and 2nd by Bob Yonker to approve the bills as presented.
PASSED 5-0.

13. Meeting Adjourn.

There being no other business presented to the Board;
A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerd and 2nd by Bob Yonker to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm.
PASSED 5-0.

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Respectfully Submitted,
Elaine Mokma, Clerk
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