

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

ESTABLISHED 1849

ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 8, 2024, 7PM

**1. Call to Order.**

Supervisor John Yonker called the meeting to order. Bob Yonker opened with prayer and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Roll Call.**

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

Members Absent: None.

**3. Late Agenda Items.**

a. None

**4. Graafschap Fire Department.**

Fire Chief Doug DenBleyker submitted the following report;

a. A total of 74 calls for September 2024. There were 22 medical/rescue calls and 4 fire calls for Fillmore Township. 8 medical/rescue calls, 2 fire calls to other agencies and 9 assists from another agency.

**5. Hamilton Fire Department**

a. The September 2024 report was taken for information.

**6. Overisel Fire Department.**

a. The September 2024 report was taken for information.

**7. Fillmore/Overisel Deputy.**

Officer Wei Chen was introduced and welcomed.

September 2024 report will be available next week.

**8. Allegan County Commissioner.**

Commissioner Jim Storey reported;

- a. 2025 Budget is being prepared to be adopted at the October 10, 2024 Board Meeting. There is a budget increase anticipated due to increased staff and pay increases for Boards.
- b. October 14, 2024, Judge Curtis Bell will hold a hearing on a civil Lawsuit brought by the Allegan County Treasurer and Allegan County Clerk against the Allegan County Board of Commissioners.
- c. Holtec International is working towards reopening the closed nuclear plant in October 2025.
- d. Emergency Management Coordinator Sarah Clark is retraining emergency responders to prepare for the upstart of Holtec International.
- e. Allegan County Community Action Agency recently used a \$1M grant for land purchase.

**9. Public Participation.**

None.

**10. Fillmore Township Board of Trustees Minutes – September 10, 2024**

Upon review of the September 10, 2024 minutes as presented;

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

PASSED 5-0.

**11. Fillmore Township Election Commission Minutes October 8, 2024.**

Upon review of the October 8, 2024 minutes as presented;

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

PASSED 5-0.

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**12. Supervisor Updates.**

- a. M.A.C.C. fiscal year ended September 30, 2024.
- b. Ken Bosma of Prein & Newhof and Ron Bultje of Dickinson Wright are working together on updating the Fillmore Township Water Ordinance.
- c. The sale of the 143rd Ave. Township owned property should be closed on at the end of October.
- d. Service Agreements were received from the Electrical, Mechanical and Plumbing Inspectors notifying the Township of a rate/inspection effective January 1, 2025.

A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Mokma to accept the Service Agreements with clarification on #9 Township Building Official being the Township Supervisor, and also clarification on #4 Hours-Community Development Department. Clerk to contact the Inspectors for this clarification to be added to the Agreement.

PASSED 5-0.

- e. A Snow Removal Quote has been received from Haverdink Enterprises, Inc for the 2024-2025 winter season. This covers the Township Office, Water Tower and Pump House.

A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Yonker to accept these quotes, signing the contract as presented.

PASSED 5-0.

- f. Gregg Windemuller of Gregg A. Windemuller Builders LLC was present to give the Board an update on the progress of the plans and design for a proposed addition to the Township Hall. Mr. Windemuller to complete the plans as the Board requested.
- g. A Memo regarding Solar Farm Regulations, Zoning and Land Use Plan Maps were received from Ken Dettloff Township Planner was taken for information. This Memo will be looked at by the Fillmore Township Planning Commission at the October 28, 2024 meeting.
- h. 2025 Revenue Sharing information was received showing Fillmore Township receiving approximately \$10,000 less than 2024 Revenue Sharing.
- i. An informational meeting was held with the Township Supervisor and Ken Bosma of Prein & Newhof.
- j. An informational meeting was held with the Township Supervisor and Brad Lusk of Hamilton Community Schools.
- k. Diane Kooiker of the Herrick District Library provided stats of usage for a period ending June 30, 2024. The cost of providing Library availability to Fillmore Township residents has increased approximately \$8,000. The Board requests a representative of the Library to attend the November 2024 Board meeting to answer questions to enable the Board to understand usage impacting costs.

**13. Treasurer's Report**

**General Fund**

|                                    |               |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Balance on Hand September 1, 2024  | \$ -25,435.00 |
| Receipts                           | \$207,155.76  |
| Disbursements                      | \$ 41,083.33  |
| Balance on Hand September 30, 2024 | \$140,637.43  |

**CD's**

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|--------------------|----------------|
| General Fund       | \$1,218,767.52 |
| Total General Fund | \$1,359,404.95 |

**Utility Fund**

|                                    |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Balance on September 1, 2024       | \$ 87,288.14 |
| Receipts                           | \$ 4,342.60  |
| Disbursements                      | \$ 6,192.01  |
| Balance on Hand September 30, 2024 | \$ 85,438.73 |

**CD's**

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|--------------------|--------------|
| Utility Fund       | \$102,545.50 |
| Total Utility Fund | \$187,984.23 |

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**14. Monthly Bills**

Upon review of the bills as presented;

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

PASSED 5-0.

**15. Meeting Adjourned.**

There being no other business presented to the Board;

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Mokma to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm.

PASSED 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine Mokma, Clerk

Fillmore Township