

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

ESTABLISHED 1849

ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

January 14, 2025, 7PM

1. Call to Order.

Supervisor John Yonker called the meeting to order, Elaine Mokma 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. Bob Genetski, Allegan County Clerk

4. Allegan County Clerk.

Bob Genetski, Allegan County Clerk and Register of Deeds presented the Annual Report for 2023. Clerk Genetski also updated the Board on the 4 elections in 2024.

5. Graafschap Fire Department.

Fire Chief Doug DenBleyker submitted the following report;

a. A total of 93 calls for December 2024. There were 22 medical/rescue calls and 4 fire calls for Fillmore Township. 4 medical/rescue calls, 8 fire calls to other agencies and 1 assist from another agency.

6. Hamilton Fire Department

Fire Chief Dave Haverdink presented;

a. The 2024 Annual Report showed a total of 511 calls for 2024 compared to 498 calls for 2023.

b. The 2025-2026 Budget was also presented of which is Fillmore's share is \$85,540.00 – 13%.

A Motion was brought by Bob Yonker and 2nd by Chuck Schaap to approve the proposed budget for Hamilton Fire Department.

PASSED 5-0.

7. Overisel Fire Department.

a. The December 2024 report was taken for information.

8. Fillmore/Overisel Deputy.

Officer Wei Chen submitted the following report;

a. There were 125 calls for December 2024, 82 calls for Fillmore Township and 43 for Overisel Township.

9. Allegan County Commissioner.

Craig VanBeek, absent with notice, submitted a report which was taken for information.

10. Public Participation.

None.

11. Fillmore Township Board of Trustees Minutes – December 10, 2024.

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

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

PASSED 5-0.

12. Fillmore Township Assessor.

James Bush submitted his resignation as Fillmore Township Assessor effective March 31, 2025.

A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2nd by Bob Yonker to hire Luke Freeman MCAO with a salary of \$31,800. Lisa Freeman will be assisting Luke and be in the office on Wednesday mornings.

Employment begins April 1, 2025.

PASSED by Roll Call Vote:

Bob Yonker – YES, Chuck Schaap – YES, John Yonker – YES, Leah Folkert – YES and Elaine Mokma – YES. PASSED 5-0.

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13. Professional Code Inspectors (P.C.I.)

With the upcoming retirement of long-time Professional Planner Kenneth Dettloff, the Board of Trustees and Planning Commission discussed with P.C.I. taking over the Commercial Site Plans, Zoning Map updates and Zoning Violations.

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Bob Yonker to employ the services of P.C.I. for Commercial Site Plans, Zoning Map updates and Zoning Violations.

Passed 5-0.

14. VandenBerg Stereo Conference Room Proposal.

A proposal was obtained from VandenBerg Stereo for a video presentation installation for the Board room.

This was received as information, with any decision being tabled until the February 12, 2025 Board meeting.

15. Supervisor Updates.

- a. At the annual meeting of the Allegan County Road Commission, projects of the Road Commission for Fillmore Township for 2025 will be 48th St. 142nd Ave. to Ottogan Rd., Mill and Resurface and Blue Star Hwy 141st Ave to 143rd Ave Crush, shape and widen to 3 lanes.

16. Treasurer's Report

General Fund

Balance on Hand December 1, 2024	\$127,460.30
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Receipts	\$182,220.36
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Disbursements	\$203,956.36
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Balance on Hand December 31, 2024	\$105,724.30
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CD's

General Fund	\$1,627,521.74
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Total General Fund	\$1,733,246.04
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Utility Fund

Balance on December 1, 2024	\$ 91,470.15
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Receipts	\$ 10,116.01
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Disbursements	\$ 2,363.92
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Balance on Hand December 31, 2024	\$ 99,222.24
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CD's

Utility Fund	\$103,835.25
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Total Utility Fund	\$203,057.49
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Treasurer shared information regarding IT Services with Envizion IT. A meeting is scheduled for January 17, 2025 at the Township Office with the Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer.

17. Monthly Bills

Upon review of the bills as presented;

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

PASSED 5-0.

18. Late Agenda.

19. Meeting Adjourned.

There being no other business presented to the Board;

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Elaine Mokma to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm.

PASSED 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elaine Mokma, Clerk
Fillmore Township

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