

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

ESTABLISHED 1849

ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 8, 2019 7PM

**1. Call to Order.**

Supervisor Ken DeWeerdts called the meeting to order at 7pm; Elaine Mokma opened with prayer and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Roll Call.**

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

Members Absent: None.

**3. Late Agenda Items.**

- a. PA 116 – Craig Jipping.
- b. PA 116 Bob Dykhuis
- c. Snow Plowing Fillmore Township Property 2019
- d. Tret Geurink

**4. Graafschap Fire Department.**

Fire Chief Doug DenBleyker reported;

- a. A total of 55 calls for September 2018. There being 1 fire calls and 5 medical/rescue calls for Fillmore Township, also 2 medical/rescue calls and 6 fire calls to other departments or agencies.
- b. A FEMA Award was received for the removal of vehicle exhaust from the Station.

**5. Allegan County Commissioner.**

Jim Storey was absent with notice and sent the following report;

State Budget Impact to Allegan County – Last week, the Governor vetoed 147-line items in the fiscal year 2019-2020 budget that began on October 1. The vetoed items impact the 2020 County budget in the following ways:

- Secondary Road Patrol: \$92,000. This covers 1 FTE, or 34% of Allegan’s dedicated SRP force. A direct loss to the General Fund.
  - Child Care Fund Indirects: \$400,000. This loss would create a need for an offsetting increase in General Fund appropriation to the CCF.
  - Payment in Lieu of Taxes: \$30,000. A direct loss to the General Fund.
  - County Jail Reimbursement Program (CJRP) Prisoner Board – Diverted Felons: \$200,000. A direct loss to the General Fund. Program discontinuance may be an option.
  - State Police Training Grants to Local Law Enforcement: \$14,000. This is in its own Special Revenue Fund.
- The total impact to the General Fund is approximately \$722,000, which is 2.1% of the County’s \$33.85 million General Fund budget.
- The Allegan County Legal Assistance Center (ACLAC) had a one-time \$60,000 cut. Please contact Lorna Nenciarini, Executive Director of Finance, at 673-0228, for more information.

**6. Fillmore/Overisel Township Deputy.**

Officer Tyler Langerak reported;

- a. 78 calls for September 2019, 55 calls for Fillmore Township and 23 calls for Overisel Township.
- b. October 26, 2019 from 2pm-6pm the Outdoor Discovery Center will again host a Trails and Treats event. Officer Langerak and other Allegan County Sheriff Department staff will be assisting with this event.
- c. 2020 Police Interceptor went in service today.
- d. A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Yonker to sell the 2013 Police Interceptor to Overisel Township Fire Department for \$6000.00 with \$3000.00 to Fillmore Township and \$3000.00 to Overisel Township.

PASSED 5-0.

**7. Public Participation.**

None.

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**8. Late Agenda Items.**

- a. Tret Geurink – questions regarding her property at 5861 142<sup>nd</sup> Ave.; looking at splitting the house and 5 acres off the farm. Supervisor DeWeerdts gave several suggestions and options – zoning in the A2 allows 3-acre split.
- b. A request for PA 116 was received from Craig Jipping for 34.97 acres, parcel 0306-034-011-20. A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Mokma to approve this PA 116. PASSED 5-0.
- c. A request for PA 116 was received from Bob Dykhuis for 94.66 acres (68 acres tillable and 26.66 acres swamp and woods), parcel 0306-014-007-00 and 0306-013-008-00. A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Mokma to approve this PA 116. PASSED 5-0.  
Clerk to sign forms and forward to State of Michigan.
- d. 2019 Snow Plowing.  
Haverdink Enterprises Inc. have again given Fillmore Township a bid for the 2019-2020 snow plowing season. This is providing snow plowing for the 3 Fillmore Township properties. A Motion was brought by Bob Yonker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chuck Schaap to accept this bid. Contract to be signed by Clerk Mokma and returned to Haverdink Enterprises Inc. PASSED 5-0.

**9. Fillmore Township Board of Trustees Minutes - September 17, 2019.**

Upon review of the September 17, 2019 minutes;  
A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chuck Schaap to approve the minutes as presented.  
PASSED 5-0.

**10. Fillmore Township Planning Commission.**

- a. The Planning Commission will meet on October 14, 2019 at 7PM for a Land Use Plan Workshop.
- b. Dykgraaf Construction has submitted a Special Use Permit for Parcel 0306-015-013-01, located at 4290 Lincoln Rd.,  
A Motion was brought by Ken DeWeerdts and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Leah Folkert to pass this request to the Fillmore Township Planning Commission or the November 2019 meeting.  
PASSED 5-0.

**11. Supervisor Updates.**

- a. M.A.C.C.
  1. Tim Burkman has resigned as Director after 14 months of service to the M.A.C.C., David VanGinhoven in serving as interim director.
  2. Fillmore Township Long Range Transportation Plan were discussed.
  3. The 2020 Budget was approved.
- b. A Forest Pest Alert – Hemlock Woolly Adelgid was received from Allegan County for information.
- c. E-mail communication was received from Helen Heneveld regarding flooding and damage to her property located at 5990 146<sup>th</sup> Ave., Holland. Ms. Heneveld is seeking a monetary commitment to help close out this project.  
Following discussion by the Board;  
A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Mokma to deny the request to use Township Funds for private use. No Township Funds will be issued.  
PASSED 5-0.
- d. Hidden Creek.  
A request was received from Hidden Creek to reduce the lot width of the northerly site from 100' to 96', this would accommodate a service driveway for B.P.W. for a sewer manhole;  
A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Yonker to allow this request; this being a revision to the consent judgement as previously agreed.  
PASSED 5-0.

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- e. OutDoor Discovery Center.  
Travis Williams has requested permission to write a grant on behalf of Fillmore Township through the DNR for improvement to the Fillmore Township Discovery Park, purchase a piece of property from the Bouwman Family that would “square up “an end of the Fillmore Discovery Park property.
- f. Allied Waste performed an audit of the Township’s recycle bin. 60% of the contents were of recyclable items, the rest was trash.

**12. Treasurers Report.**

Balance on Hand September 1, 2019	\$ 59,381.80
Receipts	\$ 44,806.69
Disbursements	\$ 20,747.41
Balance on Hand September 30, 2019	\$ 83,441.08
CD’s	
General Fund	\$755,771.05
Utility Fund	\$354,975.56

**13. Monthly Bills.**

Upon review of the bills as presented;  
A Motion was brought Leah Folkert and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Mokma to approve the bills as presented.  
PASSED 5-0.

**14. Adjourn.**

There being no other business presented to the Board;  
A Motion was brought by Leah Folkert and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Mokma to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm.  
PASSED 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Elaine Mokma, Clerk  
Fillmore Township