

# Town of Holland

## Town Board Meeting Minutes

### Sheboygan County, January 26, 2009

The Joint Meeting of the Village of Cedar Grove Board and the Town of Holland Board was called to order by Village President Gene Jentink at 7:35 P.M. on January 26, 2009. The clerks certified that the requirements of the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law had been met.

Roll call showed President Gene Jentink and Trustees Ken Hoopman, Mark Mentink, Ron Hinze, and Richard Katte present from the Village, and Chairman Don Becker, and Supervisors Martin Elmer, Steve Jones, Stan Lammers, and Dave Huenink present from the Township. Also present were Cedar Grove Clerk/Treasurer Karen Otte, and Town of Holland Clerk Sharon Claerbaut.

Gene Jentink stated that the meeting was for the purpose of discussing desired changes to the Cedar Grove Fire Department Contract by both the Village and the Township, and gave an overview of the changes being asked for by the Village. He stated that their reasons for asking for change are:

1. Rental Fee for the Fire House. The current fee is \$24,000 per year divided 50/50. They would like to raise that to \$27,000 per year, split 50/50. Then they want to see the rent increase 3% per year for the length of the contract
2. Cost of Water. The reason they state is because they believe that the Wisconsin Public Service allows them to charge for each hook-up which they interpret as each load.

Chairman Don Becker gave an overview of the Town of Holland Board's thoughts. He stated that everyone should look at the facts, and that he believes this will take time. Don also questioned the hook-up fees, stating that the Town Board's position is that, once a hook-up is made from a hydrant, it should be considered as one hook-up.

Dave Huenink stated that the Town Board also believes that practice and training costs, as well as Mutual Aid calls should be split 50/50.

Ken Hoopman questioned I-43 calls billing. The reasons for the Township receiving this money was explained.

The Town proposed that the term of the Contract should be two years rather than three years.

Fire Chief Greg Navis, who was in the audience along with other Firemen, asked that critical repairs be determined very quickly, and that other requests should be addressed soon so that the fire dept. is not left hanging, not knowing what is being decided.

Motion by Martin Elmer, seconded by Stan Lammers, to adjourn. Motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Claerbaut, Clerk