

**Town of Holland**  
**Town Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Sheboygan County, WI**  
**February 11, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Town of Holland Board was called to order by Chairman Don Becker at 7:30 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Becker. The Clerk certified that the requirements of the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law had been met.

Roll call showed Steve Jones, Stan Lammers, Don Becker, Martin Elmer, Dave Huenink, Treasurer Craig Droppers, Clerk Sharon Claerbaut, and Deputy Clerk Allan Claerbaut present.

Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to adopt the Agenda as the official order of business. Motion carried.

Minutes of the January 14, 2008 Board Meeting and the minutes of the special joint meeting of the Village of Cedar Grove Board and the Town of Holland Board were posted on the web site, and previously presented to the Board. The time of the Joint meeting needed to be changed to 7:30 P.M. Don asked that a sentence be added to the regular Board meeting minutes and there were a couple of typos. Motion by Dave, seconded by Steve, to approve minutes of both meetings with corrections. Motion carried.

Record retention: Record retention is up-to-date.

Public Input: Sharon called attention to the memorandum from David Such which was included in the packet. David is from the Sheboygan County UW Extension, and the memorandum states that, because of the move of their office, they are doing housecleaning, and we must let them know by February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008 if we want certain items from surveys that they have worked on with the Town of Holland in the past. Don will check on this.

Financial/Treasurer's Reports: Reports were presented by Craig. Motion by Stan, seconded by Dave, to approve the Financial Reports as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of Vouchers: A couple more vouchers were added to the list. Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to give Sharon \$50 for getting the supper together for the Sheboygan County unit of the Wisconsin Towns Association meeting. Motion carried. Motion by Martin, seconded by Stan, to approve the voucher list with the additions. Motion carried.

Accounts Receivable: There is one bill that has just been sent out for a semi accident to which the Cedar Grove Fire Dept. was called for clean up. The amount of the bill is \$2,255.61.

Discuss/act on Veolia Billing. Scott Van Haveren, of Veolia, explained that the extra charges were State charge related. Martin asked how electronic waste will be affecting our recycling center. Scott said that residential waste is unaffected at this time, but will be coming. Martin asked Scott to provide a cost estimate.

Discuss/act on Adell Fire Dept. Contract. Motion by Dave, seconded by Martin, to accept and sign the agreement. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on "Best Buddies" request to use Hall for their Annual Dance. "Best Buddies" is a group of special education students from Oostburg, Cedar Grove, Random Lake and a couple of other area school districts who have used the Hall for their dance for the past couple of years. Motion by Stan, seconded by Steve, to allow that use free of charge again this year. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on October 11<sup>th</sup> Memorial Association request. This Association was actually disbanded after the Memorial was established, but the former members feel that there needs to be some additional engraving done on it so that people will recognize its purpose more easily. Since the Memorial is located in the Township they are asking permission to do this. They plan to raise their own funds, but would like to run those funds

through the Township because they no longer have accounts. Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to approve this request. In further discussion, it was agreed that even if the funds were not fully raised, the Town would agree to pay the small remaining amount. Motion carried.

Plan Commission Recommendations: Plan Commission recommends to the Town Board to have Gerry Antoine write a letter to the property owner of an apparently substandard building on Hawe Road stating the concerns over appearance, setbacks, contents. Motion by Steve, seconded by Don, to concur with Plan Commission and have Gerry send the letter to the property owner. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on possible sale of cemetery lots owned by the Town of Holland. It has recently come to the attention of the Board that the Township owns six empty grave sites in Union Cemetery. They were purchased in 1936 when the Town Hall was built, and two bodies that were buried on the Town Hall site had to be moved. At that time the Town purchased an eight grave plot, used two of the lots for the above mentioned purpose, and still retains ownership of the other six lots. The owner of the adjoining plot has expressed interest in purchasing some or all of the remaining six lots. The clerk was instructed to check with Gerry Antoine as to the advisability and procedure for this possible sale.

Review remaining steps for vacating of the Sauk Trail Road right-of-way. Plan Commission recommends to the Town Board to approve the proposed discontinuance of the right-of-way along Sauk Trail Road. Don reviewed the steps necessary for this to take place. Everything is on target. Publications have been arranged and postings have been done for the Public Hearing which is scheduled for March 10, 2008 and will precede the regular Board Meeting.

Discuss/act on list of objectives for Extra Territorial Map. There is a Joint Extra territorial Planning Committee meeting scheduled for February 25, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. at the Cedar Grove Public Library. It was decided that our members consisting of Don Becker, Eugene Schmitz, and Jan Rauwerdink, will go to that first meeting and find out what needs to be worked on before this Board lists objectives.

Discuss/act on \$45 charge for hydrant hook-up by Village of Cedar Grove. Motion by Steve, seconded by Stan, to offer Cedar Grove 50% of the cost of the water toward the hook-ups involved in fighting our fires. Motion carried. Don will draft a letter to Cedar Grove.

#### Committee Reports:

Administration – Steve reported that he and Stan have completed their Board of Review Training, and Sharon will be reporting that to the State. He also reported that he has met with Joel VanEss from Abacus and Eric from the Sheboygan County Conservation Services regarding DeMaster Road drainage problems. Steve proposed having another meeting with Joe and the three property owners to see how much effort they are willing to put into it. Eric's estimate was a little over \$8,000. Steve also brought up the fee schedule in regard to the breakdown of fees for Building Permits/ Building Inspector compensation. That item will be on the agenda for next month.

Roads – Stan stated that for the Hoftiezer Road/Gibbons Road project Gibbons Road is only three rods wide so we need to purchase right-of-way from Kevin Brill, Dan Brill, and Mike VanDriest for a total cost of about \$1,800. Don will call about how to proceed with this.

Parks/Property/Amsterdam Park – Martin reported that there was an Amsterdam Park Commission meeting on January 21<sup>st</sup>. He also reported that the compacter at the Recycling Center is running well again, and that everything is going OK there.

Public Safety – Dave reported 35 hours by the Sheriff Dept. in January with three abandoned cars reported in ditches and a couple of thefts also being reported.

Public Input: None

Correspondence: None

Motion by Steve, seconded by Dave, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Allan Claerbaut, Deputy Clerk