

Town of Holland
Town Board Meeting Minutes
Sheboygan County, WI
March 12, 2007

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 Ken Becker, Matt Sproehlich, Don Becker, Stan Lammers, Martin Elmer, Treasurer Craig Droppers, and Clerk Sharon Claerbaut present.

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

Minutes of the February 12, 2007 Board Meeting were posted on the web site., and previously presented to the Board. Motion by Ken, seconded by Stan, to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.

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

Public Input: Jack Stokdyk requested that Grota Appraisals be asked to provide evening hours for the Open Book and Board of Review so that people with daytime jobs would be able to attend.

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

Approval of Vouchers: There were three additions to the voucher list. Motion by Stan, seconded by Matt, to approve the voucher list with additions. Motion carried.

Accounts Receivable: American Family Insurance Company has paid one I-43 fire call in the amount of \$1,850. There is another fire call waiting to be billed, but may be uncollectible because the Sheriff Dept. does not have all the needed information.

Discuss/act on the Wis. Tax Solutions Property Tax Appeal and the Hertz Rental Equipment Personal Property Tax Appeal: Don explained Attorney Gerry Antoine's opinions on these situations. He also presented a letter drafted by Attorney Antoine denying the claim of Wis. Tax Solutions, and a resolution denying the claim of Hertz Rental Equipment along with a Notice of disallowance of the claim for refund of 2006 Personal Property Tax. Motion by Martin, seconded by Matt, to sign the disallowance letter to Wis. Tax Solutions for the reasons stated in Attorney Antoine's letter. Motion carried. Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to adopt Resolution Number 2-2007 disallowing any claim by Hertz Rental Equipment per Wisconsin Statutes and the recommendation of our Town Attorney. Motion carried. Motion by Ken, seconded by Stan, to approve the Notice of Disallowance of Claim for Refund of 2006 Personal Property Tax by Hertz Rental Equipment. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on "Best Buddies" request for free hall rental. "Best Buddies" is a group of special education students from various county schools that get together once a month to learn social skills and meet other young people with similar needs. All three of the the Town's school districts are involved in this group. Motion by Ken, seconded by Matt, to allow the "Best Buddies" free use of the hall for their dance. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on recent bills for Cedar Grove Fire Department Services and Materials: Discussion revealed that everyone believes that according to the Contract the Town would be correct in paying only for water, not hook-ups. The Contract says "no Hydrant fees". Motion by Matt, seconded by Ken, to pay only the water portion of Cedar Grove Village bills and disregard hook-up bills as they are not specifically addressed in the Contract. All bills going forward would be handled the same way. We will send a letter stating reason. Ken-Yes, Matt-Yes, Stan-Yes, Martin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on possible change of publication newspaper: There was no interest in changing newspapers.

Discuss options for limiting use of the Early Settler's Cemetery during night hours: Draft of ordinance will be ready in April.

Discuss and take appropriate action regarding a vacancy on Plan Commission: Three people have expressed interest in the position after the ad appeared. They are Kevin Claerbaut, David Mueller, and Roy Teunissen. David Mueller was the only one present at the meeting. He stated that he is 40 years old, married, and a farmer living on TerMaat Road. Roy Teunissen is also a farmer and Kevin Claerbaut does crop farming, lawn care and snowplowing, employing several people. Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to appoint David Mueller as an alternate to the Plan Commission. He will replace Eugene Schmitz who will move into the term vacated by Dan Teunissen. Motion carried.

Set Dates for Board of Review and Open Book: Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin to set Thursday, May 17th from 4:00 to 6:00 P.M. for Open Book and Monday, June 4th from 9:00 to 11:00 A.M. for Board of Review. Motion carried.

Discuss/act of Wisconsin Town's Association District Meeting: The meeting is Saturday, March 24th at the Bil-Mar Super Club in Manitowoc. No one will be attending this year.

Review Salaries of Appointed Clerk and Treasurer: Motion by Matt, seconded by Ken, to go into closed session. Ken-Yes, Matt-Yes, Stan-Yes, Marty-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried. Board into closed session at 8:25 P.M.

Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to come back into open session. Ken-Yes, Matt-Yes, Stan-Yes, Martin-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried. Board back into open session at 8: 35 P.M.
Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to increase the Treasurer's salary by \$200 per year affective April 1, 2007. Martin-Yes, Stan-Yes, Matt-Yes, Ken-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ken, seconded by Matt, to table the clerk's salary question pending further review of tax situation. Martin-Yes, Stan-Yes, Ken-Yes, Matt-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.

Appoint Salary Committee for elected officials: The Board reappointed Jack Smies, Ivy Nevela, and Claus Weingaertner to the salary committee.

Update/Progress on General Code project: The draft of ordinances should be ready shortly after the next meeting.

Address issue of sending a letter to Port Washington regarding Amsterdam Park being a private park. Martin will stop by to ask Gerry Antoine to draft a letter to Port Washington.

Plan Commission Recommendations:

- A. Request by DuWayne and James Navis for a change of zoning from A-1 to B-1 on a new 3.00 acre lot to be divided from a parent parcel of about 36.87 acres zoned A-1. The remaining portion of the 36.87 acres would be joined to another existing A-1 parcel owned by the Navis brothers in order for it to qualify to remain A-1. Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to concur with Plan Commission and grant request. Martin-Yes, Stan-Yes, Ken-Yes, Matt-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried. .
- B. Request by Wendel and Diane Voskuil for a change of zoning from A-1 to A-5 on a new 3.94 acre lot (lot 2) and for a change of zoning from A-1 to A-2 on a new 16.43 acre lot (lot 1). Motion by Ken, seconded by Matt, to concur with Plan Commission and grant request. Ken-Yes, Matt-Yes, Martin-Yes, Stan-Yes, Don-Yes. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Administration – Nothing to report.

Roads – Stan reported that the roads survived the thaw without flooding. He also said that Roger would like the Town of Holland Board to meet with the Town of Belgium Board to discuss possible improvements on Pebble Beach Road. The Roads Committee will possibly bid out some blacktopping, and might look into some private snowplowing.

Public Safety – Martin reported 35 ½ hours by the Sheriff Dept in February. He has contacted them with an issue about abandoned cars.

Parks/Property/Amsterdam Park – Next meeting of Amsterdam Park Commission will be April 16th at 6:15 at the park and 7:00 P.M. at the Cedar Grove Library. Martin said that Eagle Scout candidate, Seth Opgenorth, has approached him about doing a project at Amsterdam Park.

Sanitation – Nothing to report.

Public Input: Ivy Nevela asked about the web site having a map on prime farmland. Doug Hamilton asked what General Code was about. Don explained that it is the Company we have contracted with to redo our general ordinances. Craig Droppers thanked the Board for the raise. Don addressed issues on the Plan Commission.

Correspondence: All included in Packet.

Motion by Ken, seconded by Matt, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Claerbaut, Clerk