

**Town of Holland**  
**Town Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Sheboygan County, WI**  
**August 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, Dave Huenink, Treasurer Craig Droppers, Clerk Sharon Claerbaut, and Deputy Clerk Allan Claerbaut present. Martin Elmer was absent.

Motion by Stan, seconded by Dave, to adopt the amended Agenda as the official order of business. The changes noted were as follows: Item 13-“Discuss/act on repealing of Chapter 157 of our Ordinances” will not be discussed at this meeting in order to check with attorney Also, “Exploratory Wells” and “Comprehensive Plan” will be addressed, but no action will be taken. Motion carried.

Minutes of the July 14, 2008 Board Meeting were posted on the web site, and previously presented to the Board. Changes were requested as follows: on Page 1, paragraph 6, it should read “recheck the culverts along Town Line Road, and in paragraph 10 the word “Lame” should be “Lane”, on Page 2, the last sentence of the first paragraph should include the word “was”, and on page 3, the last sentence of the first paragraph should have the dollar amount of the bid corrected to read \$94,481.04 Motion by Steve, seconded by Dave, to approve the minutes with corrections. Motion carried.

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

Public Input: Don explained that this was the time to make comments on any items on the agenda as well as other comments people have. There will not be opportunity for the public to speak during the time another item on the agenda is being discussed. Frank Sproelich brought up his concerns about the recycling center. Paul Dirkse, the attorney representing the Posthuma’s, made comments on the letter he had already sent regarding the rezoning request to divide an A-2 property into three A-5 parcels for resale. Craig Droppers commented on the precedence this could set and the need for preservation of farmland. Dale Droppers commended the Plan Commission on the work put into this request, and asked that the Board respect their work and recommendation. Dan Herr stated that he appreciates the farming nature of this community. Jim Schaller said that he is amazed at the waste of farmland, and stated that when he built his house he had to have 35 acres. He asked for a copy of the Plan Commission and Board minutes on this and was told that all are available on the internet. Roy Teunissen made comments as to his role on the Plan Commission and their work to maintain rural farmland. Gloria Teunissen commented that she wants to see it rural area-not new houses.

Dan Posthuma made comments asking the Board to grant the request, also stating that this would generate more tax base. Dale Droppers said that the former assessor had stated that each new house built caused more taxes for the rest of the taxpayers. Dave Huenink read an e-mail from Jack Stokdyke, who could not be present tonight and who is also a member of the Plan Commission, stating that he feels all requirements have been met on this property and therefore the request should be granted. Attorney Antoine, who was not present, had previously stated that all requests should be in agreement with the Comprehensive Plan.

Financial/Treasurer’s Reports: Reports were presented by Craig. Craig told the Board that he had not given two items of income to Sharon to post on the end of the month report, but these are already in the Bank and will be reported as income next month. Motion by Stan, seconded by Steve, to accept the financial reports as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of Vouchers: Sharon reported a couple of additions to the voucher list. Motion by Dave, seconded by Stan, to approve the voucher list with the additions. Motion carried.

Accounts Receivable: There are no accounts receivable at this time.

#### Plan Commission Recommendations:

A . A request by Daniel L. & Jacqueline R. Posthuma, Joshua L. Posthuma, Matthew J. Posthuma for a change of zoning and land division or alternatively, for just a land division. The request is rendered as two prioritized requests, with the second request contingent on the fate of the first request. The first request is for a change of zoning from A-2 to A-5 on a parent parcel of 19.22 acres and a land division into three daughter parcels. If the first request should be rejected, the second request is for no change of zoning and a land division into three daughter parcels zoned A-2. The parcel is located at W4432 County Highway G, near the northeast corner of County Highways CC and G. Stan stated that the Comprehensive Plan does not show desire for parcels such as this. Dave commented that farmland quality has a bearing on this request, and noted that the request meets all requirements. Motion by Stan to deny the request. Motion seconded by Don. Steve-No, Don-Yes, Stan-Yes, Dave-No. Tie vote. Gerry Antoine will be consulted about where this issue will go due to a lack of decision.

Discuss/act on well abandonment issue: Craig has not received any more information on this issue to date so no action was taken. Will go back on agenda for next month.

Comprehensive Plan update: The Plan is being drafted right now. It is essentially written The Board will get a copy soon. The next step is that September 22<sup>nd</sup> is scheduled as another Plan Commission meeting at 7:00 P.M. to continue to review this. In early 2009 there will be a Public Input Session. At this point in time it looks like the Comprehensive Plan will be ready for final approval in the April to June 2009 time period.

Discuss/act on progress regarding Hall curtains: Rhonda and Jan Meerdink have measured for the curtains, and have expressed an interest in taking on this project.

Discuss/take action on date and time for Board meeting for September: It was decided to leave the meeting on the regular night, that being September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Set tentative timeline for budget activities: Monday, September 29, 2008 at 7:30 P.M. was chosen as the date for the Administrative Committee meeting for the purpose of planning the Budget for 2009. A tentative date of October 7<sup>th</sup> 2009 at 7:30 P.M. was chosen if another meeting is needed. The public budget hearing and the roads budget meeting will precede the November Board meeting.

#### Committee Reports:

Administration –Steve reported that the Committee and Don met with Tom Huenink regarding Building Inspector Fees. He asked that this item be put on the agenda for October with a probable closed session meeting. He also reported that he has not been able to meet with Brian Bruggink yet in regard to DeMaster Road.

Roads – Stan reported that Ed Harvey is looking into the Cardinal Lane issue. Eerinssee Road Bridge is moving along really fast. Stan also reported that LaMont Lukens stopped by and told him that this will be the last year he will mow ditches so the Board will need to make plans accordingly. Ed Harvey is conducting a study. There may be FEMA funds available for flood damage.

Parks/Property/Amsterdam Park – Martin was absent so there was no report.

Public Safety – Dave reported 35.5 hours by the Sheriff Dept. in July. They reported that there was an emu on the Interstate. Dave said that the Cedar Grove Fire Dept. by-laws were approved with the one change the Town had requested, that being stating that a person must be “at least “ 18: to join the Dept. The Village of Cedar Grove had approved the by-laws without that change, but they have amended that. He also asked that we agenda “Schedule the things we want to work on for Cedar Grove Fire Dept. and First Responders’.

Public Input: Craig Droppers commented on the tie vote on the motion regarding Plan Commission recommendations, stating that he believes that this issue now can go no further.

Correspondence: All in Packet

Motion by Dave, seconded by Stan, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Allan Claerbaut, Deputy Clerk