

Town of Holland

Town Board Meeting Minutes

Sheboygan County, September 14, 2009

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 Meeting Law had been met.

Roll Call showed John Maul, Stan Lammers, Don Becker, Martin Elmer, and Dave Huenink present from the Town Board. Also present was Clerk Sharon Claerbaut. Treasurer Craig Droppers had been excused from attendance.

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

Minutes of the August 10, 2009 regular Board meeting were posted on the web site, and previously presented to the Board. Motion by Martin, seconded by Dave, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

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

Public Input: None

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

Approval of Vouchers: Two more vouchers were added, those being Sheboygan County Hwy Dept. and Sharon Claerbaut. Motion by Stan, seconded by John, to approve the voucher list with additions. Motion carried.

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

Plan Commission Recommendations: None

Discuss/act on contract for land rental: This will be put on the agenda template for July 2010. The Board intends to draft a new contract by then.

Discuss/act on an ordinance regarding animals running at large: There has been a complaint about a large number of cats running at large in an area of the Township. The Sheriff Dept. along with Constable Doug Janes have visited the offending parties and given them 60 days to do something about the situation. The Town wants to be sure residents know that the Board is serious about correcting problems.

Discuss/act on Nyhof Snow Removal Contract: Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to sign the Nyhof contract again this year. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on opening on the Board of Appeals: In response to ads placed in the Lakeshore Weekly and the Sounder, Dan Teunissen has indicated that he is interested in serving on the Board of Appeals. Motion by Martin, seconded by Stan, to appoint Dan Teunissen as an alternate on the Board of Appeals for a three year term. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on abandoned wells issue: Craig Droppers was absent so this will be placed on the agenda again next month.

Discuss /act on procedure for kennel licensing per article 140.9 of Town Code: Minor corrections are still needed on the current copy. The minutes are to indicate that the Plan Commission will initially review the issue of granting a kennel license, and the Town Board will be the issuing body. Motion by Stan, seconded by Don, to approve the new application form with corrections. Motion carried

Appoint clerk, treasurer, deputy clerk, and deputy treasurer for three year term: These offices were appointed in May of 2007, so, after some discussion, it was decided that this matter will be placed on the March agenda, and will be for one year terms. The weed commissioner will also be appointed in March of each year.

Committee Reports:

Administration – John reported that he has spoken with Kathy from the DNR about where soil which is dug out of the ditch to free up water flow in the DeMaster Road issue can be placed. She told him that it can be placed anywhere unless it is contaminated. John also reported that the Railroad is interested in the removal of brush, and might take a hand in this project. The Department of Land Conservation did elevations study. The probable permit fee is \$500. John believes this project fee should be put in cost per foot. Stan brought up the fact that the Wisconsin Towns Association Convention is in October, and asked if anyone was interested in going to parts of it. He said there are some interesting topics that will be addressed, and he hopes to go on October 12th if his work load permits it. Don expressed interest in going with him on that day.

Public Safety – Dave reported 36.5 hours by the Sheriff Dept. in August. There were two citations for illegal use of Amsterdam Park, and there was a bull on the roadway on Hwy G. Dave continues to meet with the Village representative regarding the Cedar Grove Fire Dept. agreement, and reported on the Fire Department's budget for 2010 which is currently about \$4,000 to \$4500 more than for 2009. He also reported that the Fire Department has purchased a rescue boat from funds they had raised, and that the department is interested in a ladder truck from Sheboygan Falls that will be available a year or two from now. That in turn would necessitate putting an addition on the north side of the firehouse. The department must

replace all pagers by the end of 2012. Dave will talk with Mark from the Village Board, and will put together an agenda item for next month.

Roads – Stan reported that blacktopping is being done that will finish out the year. Everything else is done. All projects seem to be within the realm of the budget.

Parks/Property/Amsterdam Park – Martin reported that the next meeting of the Amsterdam Park Commission is next Monday. He has had some complaints about the water depth at the end of the boat ramp, and that there were fire pits with glass in them on the beach. He said that he can hire C G Services for \$45 per hour to do a beach sweep. Martin then reported that he had gone to the Recycling Center, and found that all the batteries and refrigeration units were gone, and that he was told that the person removing those items had told the attendants that he had permission to do so. In reality no one knew anything about this matter so it was referred to the Sheriff Dept. Martin said he would like to retain both Recycling Center employees, and will talk to them about working out their own hours.

Public Input: None

A closed session to discuss employee compensation for all non elected employees for 2010, to discuss Cedar Grove Fire Dept. agreement negotiations, and to discuss the Veolia Contract: Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to go into closed session. per section 19.85(1)(c)(e) of the State statutes. John-Yes, Stan-Yes, Don-Yes, Martin-Yes, Dave-Yes. Motion carried. Meeting into closed session at 9:40 P.M.

Motion by John, seconded by Dave, to come back into open session. John-Yes, Stan-Yes, Don-Yes, Martin-Yes, Dave-Yes. Motion carried. Meeting back into open session at 10:15 P.M. Motion by Martin, seconded by Dave, to sign a one year agreement with Veolia. Motion carried. Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, that all non elected employees compensation stay at present levels for 2010. Motion carried.

Public Input: None

Correspondence: All in the packet

Motion by Dave, seconded by Martin, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sharon Claerbaut, Clerk