

# Town of Holland

## Town Board Meeting Minutes

### Sheboygan County, December 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 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 were Treasurer Craig Droppers and Clerk Sharon Claerbaut. Deputy Clerk, Allan Claerbaut arrived later in the meeting.

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

Minutes of the November 9, 2009 regular Board meeting were posted on the web site, and previously presented to the Board. There was one correction requested, that being adding an s to the word discuss on page 2. Motion by Martin, seconded by Stan, to approve the minutes with the one correction. Motion carried.

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

Public Input: Jane and Les TenHaken were present at the meeting in regard to the cat issue in their neighborhood. Jane spoke about the problem in their yard, and asked what was being done. Don explained the procedure that was being followed, and suggested that they fill out a complaint form for the Town records. Sharon will send them the form.

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

Approval of Vouchers: A number of vouchers were added to the list. Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to approve the voucher list with the additions. Motion carried.

Accounts Receivable: There are still two I-43 fire calls that have not been paid. However, one of these calls was not a fire, but rather a spill, and the Sheriff's Department did not fill out a report for that incident. Therefore, we cannot bill the State. Sharon was directed to close the file on that billing without payment.

Plan Commission Recommendations:

- A. A request by Mark and Renee TeLindert (sellers) and Christopher and Nicole Strysick (buyers) for a change of zoning. The TeLinderts are planning to sell five acres of their A-1 Land to adjacent owners, the Strysicks, who own A-5 property located at W1463

County Highway GW. Since this is a change of boundaries between adjacent properties, it is not deemed a land division. The five acres to be sold to the Strysicks is described as Lot 1 in a Certified Survey Map. It is requested that the zoning of Lot 1 be changed from A-1 to A-5, which would be merged with the Strysick's adjacent, 2 acre, A-5 property. Plan Commission recommends that this parcel be rezoned from A-1 to A-5, and be merged into the existing A-5 parcel because the current non-conforming A-5 parcel would become conforming to the Zoning Ordinance as to the size and road frontage, and the parent parcel would also continue to conform to its zoning district. Plan Commission also recommends that a deed restriction (to be placed on the face of the CSM) be put on the merged A-5 parcel in perpetuity against further division, to uphold the intent of the Comprehensive Plan. Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to concur with the Plan Commission and grant the requested changes. Dave-Yes, Martin-Yes, Don-Yes, Stan-Yes, John-Yes. Motion carried.

Appoint Poll Workers for two year term: The political parties had not submitted lists of candidates as poll workers. Don presented the list of current poll workers that Sharon had submitted. These people are as follows: Sally Lensink, Janet Walvoord, Mary Huenink, Diane Kitelinger, Christine Burr, and as a substitute, Allan Claerbaut. Sally and Janet are up to date on their required training as chief inspectors, and Mary has been trained to set up, operate, and take down the handicapped voting machine known as the "Edge". Motion by Don, seconded by John, to appoint the people listed as poll workers for two year terms to begin on January 1, 2010. John-Yes, Stan-Yes, Don-Yes, Martin-Yes, Dave-Yes. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on required resolution regarding the number of poll workers to be hired for elections: Resolution No 2-2009 entitled "Resolution Changing Number of Election Officials" was presented. This is not an actual change, because this procedure was always followed in the past, but we are now required to have a resolution in place. The resolution states that there will be a minimum of three poll workers on duty for each election, and at the discretion of the town clerk, the number may be increased for any election. However, the number must always be an odd number. Although the resolution does not include this matter, it is alright with the Board and also legal with the State to have an extra person available at the polling place to take new voter registrations. Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to pass and sign Resolution Number 2-2009. Stan-Yes, John-Yes, Don-Yes, Martin-Yes, Dave-Yes. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on audit for 2009 Books: Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to authorize Sharon to schedule the audit of the 2009 books with Paul Corson of the accounting firm Corson, Peterson and Hamann again, and also to ask Paul to attend the 2010 Annual Meeting next April. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on Sheriff Dept. Agreement for Law Enforcement Services for 2010: Motion by Dave, seconded by Martin, to accept the agreement which had been presented by the Sheriff Dept. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on the paid article by Frank Sproehlich which contains several errors, and decide if an ad should be placed by the Board to inform the public of these errors: There was some

discussion on the matter. It was noted that Roger TeStroete received less than a \$2 per hour raise when he no longer received insurance, not the \$5 per hour raise that was claimed in the article. Even though Roger has received a couple of additional raises in the last several years since that time, he still is nowhere near the \$5 per hour raise that was claimed in the article, and furthermore the claim that “in the last few months, for some reason, the raise does not show up on his W-2’s” is completely false because a W-2 is only issued once a year after the end of the year. Also, Stanley Lammer’s term will expire in April so the start in February of a recall would be useless. In view of these things and feedback that the Board members have received, it was decided that no response was needed.

Discuss/act on the draft ordinance regarding changes at the Recycling Center entitled ‘Ordinance Creating #290-14 and amending #290-15 and #290-17 of the Code of the Town of Holland, Sheboygan County, Wisconsin’, and also discussing the issue of other changes that may be necessary for safe and efficient operation of the Recycling Center. There was much discussion on changes to the draft ordinance. Part of the discussion leaned toward having perhaps only two times per year to collect electronic products. Don will take the essence of the discussion and contact our attorney, Gerry Antoine, asking him to make changes accordingly. Don will register with the State regarding waste material collection.

#### Committee Reports:

Administration – John reported that he has had a conversation with Allen Wrubbel of the Village of Oostburg Board. Allen had stated that the Village seemed willing to pay for one half of the DNR permit fee regarding drainage issues on DeMaster Road. The DNR is interested in getting the entire project from DeMaster Road to Bahr Creek done as one project rather than doing it in phases. But others believe that it should be done in phases. Eric from the Land Conservation Department is working with us. Joel VanEss will do application forms.

Roads – Stan reported that the Road expenses for 2009 are coming in at about \$30,000 under the amended budget, and about \$12,000 over the original budget. He also reported that LaMont Lukens had a slight accident by backing up into a parked car. Sharon will check to be sure all is going through well with the insurance company.

Parks/Property/Amsterdam Park – Martin reported that the agenda for the next meeting of the Amsterdam Park Commission, which will be in January, has been sent out and posted. He also reported that there was a fire at the Recycling Center probably started by hot ashes from someone’s burning barrel. Roger cleaned up and had the recycling center back in operation before the next week.

Public Safety – Dave reported that there were 38.5 hours by the Sheriff Dept. in November, with 7 written warnings, and 2 citations.

Public Input: It was noted that Sabrina Lammers and Katelyn Huibregtse were present at the

meeting as part of a Civics Class assignment at Oostburg High School.

A closed session to discuss the negotiations with the Village of Cedar Grove regarding the fire department agreement: Motion by Dave, seconded by Stan, to go into closed session. John-Yes, Stan-Yes, Don-Yes, Martin-Yes, Dave-Yes. Motion carried. Meeting into closed session at 9:27 P.M.

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Motion by Stan, seconded by John, to come out of closed session. Dave-Yes, Martin-Yes, Don-Yes, Stan-Yes, John-Yes. Motion carried. Meeting back into open session at 9:45 P.M. Motion by Don, seconded by Stan, that the Town of Holland will continue the Agreement with the Village of Cedar Grove on the Cedar Grove Fire Department on a month to month basis through April 2010, and that Dave will have authority to extend on the month to month basis through April 2010. Motion carried.

Public Input. None

Correspondence: Sharon presented a couple of things which had not been included in the Board members packets.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Stan, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sharon Claerbaut, Clerk