

# Town of Holland

## Town Board Meeting Minutes

### Sheboygan County, Wisconsin

#### July 11, 2011

The monthly meeting of the Town of Holland Board was called to order by Chairman Don Becker at 7:30 P.M. on July 11, 2011. 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 Stan Lammers, Don Becker, Martin Elmer, and Dave Huenink present from the Town Board. Also present were Treasurer, Craig Droppers, and Clerk, Sharon Claerbaut.

Motion by Marty, seconded by Dave, to adopt the agenda as the official order of business. Motion carried.

Minutes of the June 20, 2011 regular Board Meeting were posted on the web site, and previously presented to the Board. Motion by Dave, seconded by Marty, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Record retention is up to date.

Public Input: Sharon had asked Don if Ordinance 1-2008 regarding 'Streets and Sidewalks' had ever been incorporated into General Code's update because it had read 'Article IV of Chapter 298 of the Code of the Town of Holland is hereby created' which does not appear in the Revisions, but Don had explained that General Code is very knowledgeable in incorporating ordinances into existing Codes so they had incorporated this Ordinance into Chapter 318 instead of Chapter 298.

Financial/Treasurer's Report: The financial reports were presented by Craig. One item was questioned which Sharon will check into. Motion by Stan, seconded by Marty, to approve the financial reports. Motion carried.

Approval of Vouchers: A couple of items were added. Motion by Stan, seconded by Dave, to approve the voucher list with additions. Motion carried.

Accounts Receivable: There are no accounts receivable at this time, but there is a current item that has a prepaid balance.

Discuss/act on appointment of supervisor to fill the vacancy on Town Board: Three people have expressed interest in this appointment. They are as follows:

Reid Rathjen - He was present and stated that he is a business owner, had served from 2000 to 2004 on the Plan Commission, was secretary of the Plan Commission, has

served the community in a number of ways, and is a lifetime resident of the Oostburg area.

Steve Jones – He was present and stated that he is a business owner, has served on the Town Board before, but chose not to run in 2009 because he was so busy with his business and working with the Milwaukee Mile. He is no longer working with the Milwaukee Mile, and is now semi-retired so he feels he will have the time it takes to serve on the Town Board. He is a long time property owner and resident of the Township.

Richard Gust – He was unable to be present due to a death in the family, but had talked to Don who relayed information. Dick is a ten year property owner and two year resident of the Township, and was a business owner. He is retired and interested in getting involved with government. He had run for Town supervisor in the last election and very narrowly lost. He was a Board member and President of a tire industry association..

Motion by Don, seconded by Stan, to fill the position of supervisor on the Town Board by a ballot vote, and to appoint the treasurer as the teller. It was stated that Sharon, as an appointed clerk, can also vote on this issue. Sharon recused herself saying that the person chosen will be one of her bosses and, therefore, she does not want to be a part of this choice. The ballots which are attached to these minutes were filled out, collected by the teller, and counted by him. The results showed three of the four votes were for Steve Jones, and one was for Reid Rathjen. Steve Jones was declared the new Supervisor, and was immediately sworn in and seated on the Board.

Plan Commission Recommendations: None

Set tentative timeline for budget activities: The date of September 26, 2011 was chosen for the first Budget meeting. The meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M. Committees should come prepared to give estimates of their budgets for 2012.

Discuss/act on bids for Town Hall kitchen remodeling and other painting: Marty presented several quotes. After much discussion it was decided that, due to the economy and in the interests of saving tax dollars, most of the kitchen project will be put on hold. Motion by Marty to replace the two stoves, replace all 19 storm windows, and paint the two bathrooms and the handicapped entrance. This motion was seconded by Stan as long as it does not exceed \$6,000. Marty concurred. Dave-Yes, Marty-Yes, Don-Yes, Stan-Yes, Steve-Yes. Motion carried. Sharon was asked to form a committee with some of the Board members wives and herself to choose the two stoves.

Discuss/act on DeMaster road Drainage Issue: No new information since last month

Discuss/act on Park Fee: After some discussion, Sharon was asked to call Attorney Gerry Antoine for guidance on this issue.

Discuss/act on ongoing issues:

1. Penalty for violation of Ord. #1-2010 regarding distribution of Handbills and Newspapers - A letter has been sent to the offending party. They called and

- apologized to Don.
2. Grievance process - Still no directive on this
  3. Proof of concept system for Town of Holland record keeping - Will continue to work on this.
  4. Stan and Marty meet to discuss duties of employees – They will continue to discuss this matter.
  5. Report on speed limit notifications for new Sauk Trail speed limit – Stan said the order for the signs and placement has been done. They should be put up soon.
  6. Report on Recommendation to the DOT on speed limit reduction from the Cedar Grove Village limits east to I-43 – The recommendation has been sent to the DOT. That is all the Town can do because this is a State Road.
  7. Reminder of General Code e-code training meeting – this will be held on August 4, 2011, at 7:30 P.M. at the Town of Holland Hall
  8. Report on Cedar Grove Fire Dept. Anniversary celebration – Dave had gone to the Fire Dept. to inform them that the Town of Holland and The Village of Cedar Grove would jointly sponsor the fireworks show for the celebration. The Dept. thanked him, but said that a business had already come forward to sponsor that event. Dave told them to use the money for the celebration as they see fit,
  9. Annual Report to WDNR for e-cycling – Marty and Sharon are going to meet at Sharon's home office on Thursday afternoon to complete this project.

Committee Reports:

Administration - None

Roads – Stan reported that he is waiting for the County to start on Risseeuw Road project.

Parks & Property – None

Public Safety – Dave reported 36 hours for the Sheriff Dept. in June. He also reported that there will be a meeting of the Oostburg Fire Dept. Fire Partners on July 20<sup>th</sup>. There was some discussion on the Town's approach for the Fire Partners meeting.

Public Input: Jack Stokdyke stated that he likes the idea of a metal roof for the hall, but asked if insulation could be installed up there. A metal roof will probably be installed right on top of the existing one. Dave reported that the Cedar Grove Fire Dept. would like to come and show the newly purchased vehicles. It was decided to do that prior to the August Town Board meeting. He also said that there was some misunderstanding about the tower on the Ron Walvoord property. Contrary to our original understanding, the tower will NOT be torn down and replaced; only the equipment on the top will be changed. Therefore, it is like replacing equipment in a building, so no further conditional use permit will be needed.

Correspondence: Sharon showed the Board a new printing by Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission which shows that all roads leading to Lake Michigan in the Town of Holland have walk-in access except Amsterdam Road which is limited to Village of Cedar Grove, Village of

Oostburg, and Town of Holland residents. Sharon was asked to contact them about the Buchen decision regarding certain Town roads leading to Lake Michigan.

Adjourn: Motion by Stan, seconded by Marty, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sharon Claerbaut, Clerk