

# Town of Holland

## Town Board Meeting Minutes

### Sheboygan County, Wisconsin

#### November 8, 2010

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 Don Becker, Stan Lammers, Marty Elmer, and Dave Huenink present from the Town Board. Supervisor John Maul was absent from the meeting. Also present were Treasurer, Craig Droppers, and Clerk, Sharon Claerbaut.

Adopt Agenda as official order of business: Motion by Stan, seconded by Marty, to adopt the agenda as the official order of business. Motion carried.

Minutes of the October 11, 2010 regular Board Meeting were posted on the web site, and previously presented to the Board. Dave Huenink asked for two changes in the minutes Motion by Don, seconded by Marty, to approve the minutes with revisions. Motion carried.

Record retention is up to date.

Public Input: There was a question about whether we have the final signed contract with Associated Appraisal. Sharon will check. Sharon reported that we had 1,203 voters vote at the November 2, 2010 election. Jerry Keller from N632 Knepprath Road expressed concern about a potential Wind Turbine Farm . He would like to see a public meeting to hear the developer's side, land owners' side, and the opinions of people who live nearby. There is a 1,000 foot setback but this could cause a no fly zone for crop dusting, Flight for Life, etc. Ann Gezetta, also of Knepprath Road, asked if the Board will express their current feelings on the matter. Brian Bichler of Knepprath Road stated that he thinks the informational meeting is a good idea especially with someone from the U. W.

Financial/Treasurer's Report: The financial reports were presented by Craig. Motion by Dave, seconded by Stan, to approve the financial reports. Motion carried. Craig asked what to do about unpaid Personal Property Taxes.

Approval of Vouchers: A voucher from Kaiser Wrecking for \$1,674, and the Veolia bill with an unspecified amount that will be checked over by Marty when it is printed were added to the list. Dave also stated that the bill would be coming soon from the Village of Oostburg for Fire Dept services. Motion by Stan, seconded by Marty, to approve the voucher list with these additions. Motion carried.

Accounts Receivable: There are none at the present time.

Plan Commission recommendations: Plan Commission recommends to Board to strike the second paragraph of section 220-26B from the Land Division Ordinance and proceed with Public Hearing on December 6, 2010 at 7:30 P.M. Don reported that he will need a day or two to get a new publication ready for the Public Hearing on the Ordinance changes. They are also still working on the 'perpendicular to the road' part of this ordinance.

Discuss/act on candidates for the Board of Appeals and/or the Plan Commission: Nathan Voskuil has expressed interest in a position on one of these Boards as has Ken Tyler. Nathan Voskuil was in the audience, and was asked a couple of questions. Motion by Marty, seconded by Stan, to appoint Nathan Voskuil as the second alternate on the Plan Commission. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on structures that were built in road right-of-way at end of Stokdyk-Ingelse Road: The County will not do anything to have the deck removed, but the fire pit should be removed so as not to invite the public to start fires in the pit which is in the right-of-way.

Adopt the final tax levy and the 2011 Budget Statute 60.40(4): Motion by Stan, seconded by Dave, to adopt a levy of \$623,434 and the budget for 2011. Dave-Yes, Marty-Yes, Don-Yes, Stan-Yes. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on Nyhof contract for snow removal: Motion by Stan, seconded by Marty, to sign the contract with Nyhof for snow removal for the winter of 2010-2011 on the roads he normally plows. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on Joint Powers Agreement-County 911 Emergence System: Motion by Dave, seconded by Marty to sign the Joint Powers Agreement. Motion carried.

Discuss potential large wind energy generation turbines in the Town of Holland, and decide what actions, if any, are appropriate for the Town to take at this time: There was discussion on a moratorium. The Board believes it should be simple, but legal. Towns have no rights in this matter because they must follow the P.S.C. rules. However, the P.S.C. has no rules in place at this time, so the Board felt that it was appropriate to have a moratorium until the P.S.C. actually has their rules in place. The Board had been asked if they would take a position on this matter. They stated they do promote an informational meeting conducted by a third party. Motion by Don, seconded by Marty, to help facilitate a meeting by making arrangements for an outside party to come in and by offering free use of the hall for the meeting. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on DeMaster Road drainage issue: John has a letter that was drafted and signed by all the property owners involved to cooperate and finance the cleaning of the drainage ditch. The Town will only be responsible for facilitating the permits.

Discuss/act on weight restrictions on Smies Road from Hwy 32 east to Sauk Trail and on Sauk Trail from Smies Road south to Hwy 32: This will be on the agenda again next month because Stan does not have all of the paperwork yet.

Discuss/act on the metal dumpster at the Recycling Center: Marty said that we will use Kaiser Wrecking for the metal dumpster at the Recycling Center, and will use Iron Age price bulletin for rates.

Address Well Water Testing Issue: This is an offer by the U.W. system in Sheboygan to test well water samples for nitrates at the cost of \$25 per sample. The U.W. is asking that the Town provide someone to be available at the Hall for three days to accept these samples as they are brought in by residents. The Board decided that they are willing to pay someone poll worker wages to collect these samples, but only for two hours on each of the three days requested. Sharon volunteered to be the contact for two hours on each day at her home. This was acceptable to the Board. Therefore, the Town will provide the drop off site providing the U.W. sends special notification to residents specifying one day with two morning hours, one day with two afternoon hours, and another day with two evening hours.

Committee Reports:

Administration – Nothing to report.

Parks/Property/Amsterdam Park – Marty reported on having a 30 to 40 yard dumpster for plastics at the Recycling Center and that they are in the process of putting up lights at the Recycling Center. Everything at Amsterdam Parks looks satisfactory.

Roads – Stan reported that DeWitt Road is done, and everything else is getting ready for winter.

Public Safety – Dave reported 38 hours for the Sheriff's Dept. in October with six written warnings and two citations. Dave also reported that the Village attorney has questions about the insurance clause. Dave didn't have a chance to talk to Cedar Grove tonight, because of our special meeting preceding the regular Board meeting. The insurance is issued to Cedar Grove Fire Dept. This will be on the agenda next month.

Public Input: There were more comments on wind turbines. Jerry Keller presented "Wind Turbines A – Z". Sharon said that she has received several requests to put the directions to the Town Hall on the web site. It was asked that we put the following web site address in the minutes: <http://betterplan.squarespace.com> Soon Sharon will be publishing the ad for the spring election stating that papers can be taken out for the three positions that expire on the Town Board next April.

Correspondence: All included in the packet.

Adjourn: Motion by Stan, seconded by Marty, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sharon Claerbaut, Clerk