

**Town of Holland**  
**Sheboygan County, Wisconsin**  
**Public Hearing Minutes**  
**July 12, 2010**

The public hearing was called to order by Chairman Don Becker at 7:00 P.M. on July 12, 2010 at the Town of Holland Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Becker. The clerk certified that the requirements of the Wisconsin Open Meeting Laws have been met.

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

Chairman Becker explained the purpose of the meeting, that being to review and discuss a draft ordinance entitled ‘Ordinance Creating #290-14.1 and Amending ##290-15 and 290-27 of the Code of the Town of Holland, Sheboygan County, Wisconsin’. Chairman Becker explained that the reason for the draft ordinance is to come into compliance with the State mandate regarding Electronic Waste which takes effect September 1, 2010, and to control the costs at the recycling center. He stated that this ordinance will prohibit waste materials from agri-business and other businesses from being brought into the recycling center, no tires from rims larger than 16 inches will be accepted, and it will allow the Town to set a fee for furniture and furnishings such as couches, large chairs, etc. The ordinance will also deal with electronic equipment disposal. There will be fees set and special arrangements made for the disposal of electronic items. There could also be fees for the disposal of fluorescent light bulbs. If we had any housing units larger than a duplex, it would need its own disposal system. Fines will be set for violations. People are encouraged to use every opportunity to dispose of any of this type of waste through places of business that sell these products, because there is also a mandate that these businesses must accept the old items when new ones are purchased.

Chairman Becker then invited the audience to ask questions or make comments. Rich VerVelde asked why we are limited to 16 inch tires. Marty explained that our fees for disposal are far higher than the \$5 or \$6 that we charge people. He urged people to dispose of tires where new ones are purchased. Matthew Wollner asked if people are taking unnecessary advantage of the Recycling Center, and was told that, yes, a few people do. He also asked about

what the fee rates will be, and was told that the Board does not know yet, but they will not be set to gain any income, only to offset the expenses of disposal of these types of products. Jim Nyhuis stated that Goodwill does accept electronics. He also said that he had picked up a five-gallon and two one-gallon pails of paint along Foster Road. Wayne Stokdyk stated that he felt that one of the people on duty at the Recycling Center was not paying attention to what was being disposed of. Jim Knepprath asked if a box for scrap metal will still be available and was told yes, there would be a container there for that purpose. Jim Nyhuis asked if all plastic can be recycled. The answer was that grades one and two can be recycled, but that grades three through seven will also be accepted.

Chairman Becker asked if there were any further questions or comments on this issue. He asked three times if there were any further comments or questions.

Motion by Dave Huenink, seconded by Martin Elmer, to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried. Public Hearing adjourned at 7:32 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Claerbaut, Clerk