

April 2011 Minutes

The Town Board of Holland met Monday April 4th, 2011 at 8:00pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The minutes of the last meeting were read, a motion was made by Sup Geiger to approve, seconded by Sup Vande Wattering, motion passed.

Old Business: A discussion on wind turbines followed and a question was raised pertaining to the town ordinance regarding turbines under 110 feet. Attorney Sickel responded that conditional use must be obtained and then a license must be applied for. Sup Geiger stated that he has been working with a resident to solve a problem with wood stove smoke. He stated that he had been over to the residence on several occasions and twice he noticed a substantial odor and the worst odor was present in the house, allowing him to only stay for ten minutes. He further stated that he had exhausted all his options. Atty Sickel stated that the only option left would be for the individual involved to take civil action on his own. Sup Geiger stated he would explain to the resident again the town's position and that the Town of Holland could take no action.

New Business: Don Vander Steen gave a letter to the town board announcing that he would be a write-in candidate for town constable.

The Chairman stated that the traffic speeding problem was being addressed in Hollandtown and would be evaluated in three months.

Atty Sickel addressed the situation of the lot with a holding pond. He stated it was not in the town's best interest to assume ownership.

The Zoning Department of Brown County asked for a letter of support for the grant from the Environmental Protection Agency-EPA to help offset the cost of upgrading failed sewerage systems in Brown County. If the grant was acquired, it would be in the amount of one million dollars and would be administered by a revolving loan fund. It would be interest free to be paid back over a period of ten years. A motion to support the efforts of Brown County Zoning was made by Sup Geiger and seconded by Sup Vande Wattering, motion passed.

After review of the bills, a motion to pay them was made by Sup Geiger, seconded by Sup Vande Wattering, motion passed.

Being there no other business, Chairman Wall made the motion to adjourn, second by Sup Vande Wattering, meeting adjourned.