

August 2008 Minutes

The Town Board of Holland Planning Committee met on August 4th at 7:00, all members were present. A public hearing was held for comments on rezoning of parcel 416.5; the only comment was made by John Zerhren who spoke in favor of rezoning. No other residents spoke, and the chairman closed the public comment and the meeting closed at 8pm.

The Chairman then called the regular monthly meeting to order, all members were present. The pledge of allegiance was recited, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read, and a motion to approve was made by Supervisor Geiger, seconded by Supervisor Vande Wetering.

New Business:

Carl Johnson asked why the town has not taken action on a burning ordinance for that portion of the town outside of the Sanitary District. Attorney Sickel stated that the Sanitary District was covered. Mr. Johnson wanted the State Ordinance adapted for the entire town. A motion was made by Supervisor Tom Vande Wetering to have the Planning Board explore the possibility of adapting the State Ordinance on burning. Time would be 7pm September 2nd one half hour before the September Town Board meeting. A second motion was made by Supervisor Geiger and it passed.

Tom Gilson appeared before the Board and asked if the waterway that comes off the town road and goes through his property could be cleaned out. The Chairman replied that grade all was in the town it would be taken care of.

The next item was the request of Dan DeKock to rezone parcel 416.5 from ex. Ag. To Ag. Residential. A motion was made by Supervisor Geiger to approve the request with the provision that Attorney Sichel draft a restrictive covenant that only one house could be built on the site. Supervisor Vande Wetering seconded the motion and it passed.

Next item, the Sexual Offender Ordinance was amended to include the Askeaton Ball Park and the Southern Brown Conservation Trail, The motion was made by Supervisor Vande Wetering and seconded by Supervisor Geiger and motion passed.

The next item to be discussed was the allowance that ATVs and Four Wheelers be allowed to use the town and county roads within the Town. Supervisor Geiger made the following motion, to include golf carts, ATVs, and 4 Wheelers, and change paragraph 23-2 to DNR or Farm Permit. This Ordinance would designate all Town and County roads as alter rain routes. Supervisor Vande Wetering seconded the motion passed.

The next item was a presentation by Dennis Kerlik asking that when the wind turbines are being constructed they would need a 5 acre parcel on the Tom Gilson Property as a substation and the need for overhead power transmission lines to get the power to the grid. The board responded that the property would have to be rezoned and all the necessary provisions would have to be followed. Mr. Kerlik stated that he would get back to the town as soon as possible and hopefully for the October meeting.

The next item was the payment of bills, all were examined and a motion to pay them was made by Supervisor Vande Wetering and seconded by Supervisor Geiger and the motion passed.

The next item was a discussion on the lease agreement with the Askeaton Baseball Club, the board then asked Supervisor Geiger to meet with Attorney Sickel and the ball club representative to discuss a future lease agreement and understanding. Being no other business a motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Vande Wetering and Seconded by Supervisor Geiger and the motion meeting was adjourned.