HOLLAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting
August 20, 2026

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Russ TeSlaa, Clerk Michael Dalman, Treasurer Vince Bush, and Trustees Elliott Church, Terry Nienhuis, and Gretchen Molotky. Also present was Township Manager Steve Bulthuis.

Absent: Trustee Dave DeYoung

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Mr. Nienhuis gave the invocation.

Citizens' Comments: Sarah VanNorden was present to express concerns regarding questions and complaints from the building department. Anna White (Park Township) was present to introduce herself as a district judge. Craig Yost (GH Township) came to ask about possible bike pathway crossings across U.S. 31.

Mr. TeSlaa reviewed the consent agenda.

26-73 A motion was made by Mr. Nienhuis, supported by Mr. Bush, to approve the consent agenda including communications (Thank you from ODC Network and Holland Community Theatre), operational reports (Community Code Enforcement Report, July Building Permit Report, Fire Department Reports for June and July, and Sheriff's Department Report for July), bills and financial transactions for the month of July, and the minutes of the Board meeting held on July16, 2026.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

Next on the agenda was a presentation on the Ottawa County Road Commission 2027-2031 Strategic Improvement Plan by Kurt VanKoevering, Ottawa County Road Commissioner.

The Board then considered a contract for construction management services for building improvements at Fire Station #1 and the Fire Station #2/Public Safety Building. Greg Maybury Consulting LLC outlined the bids from two qualified firms and the recommendation is to go with GDK Construction because of the cost advantage.

26-74 A motion made by Mr. Dalman and supported by Mr. Bush to approve the contract for construction management services with GDK Construction.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The Board then considered the option for the purchase of a parcel of vacant land for possible fire department use and long-term future public utility use. The 11.41 acre parcel of vacant land is at the cul-de-sac of Greenway Drive (Parcel No. 70-16-22-200-072) with a purchase price of $660,000.00.

26-75 A motion was made by Mr. Nienhuis and supported by Mr. Church to approve the purchase of the vacant land at the cul-de-sac of Greenway Drive.

Roll call vote: Yes-6, No-0, Absent-1
Motion declared adopted

Next was the review of the June 30, 2026 financial report. Mr. Bulthuis reviewed the report submitted by Finance Director Warren Smith.

The next agenda item was consideration of a resolution to support a speed limit analysis to Michigan State Police in conjunction with the Ottawa County Road Commission for 104th Avenue between Adams Street and Perry Street at the request of homeowners. Mr. Kurt VanKoevering explained the process. One of the citizens, Mr. Bill Haveman, was present at the meeting and addressed the Board on his concerns.

26-76 A motion was made by Mr. Bush and supported by Ms. Molotky to table the resolution to conduct the speed limit analysis on 104th Avenue.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The next three agenda items were consideration of operational and capital improvement expenditures. The first item was a consolidated system tapping contract. The current contractor, Broekhuis Plumbing, has provided services for more than 35 years and the owner is transitioning to retirement. Bids were received from two contractors and the staff recommendation is to award a three-year contract to Lee's Trenching of Byron Center.

26-77 A motion was made by Mr. Church, supported by Mr. Nienhuis, to approve the consolidated system tapping contract with Lee's Trenching.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The next agenda item was the painting of the Lakewood Boulevard water tank. Five bids were received and the recommendation is to award the project to low bidder Fedewa in the amount of $173,999.00.

26-78 A motion was made by Mr. Nienhuis, supported by Mr. Bush, to approve the painting of the Lakewood Boulevard water tank to Fedewa.

Roll call vote: Yes-6, No-0, Absent-1
Motion declared adopted

The next agenda item was consideration of the purchase of office furniture for the Public Works Department. Bids were received and the recommendation is to award the bid to Interphase (Haworth) in the amount of $207,881.53.

26-79 A motion was made by Mr. Bush, supported by Mr. Dalman, to approve the purchase of office furniture for the Public Works Department from Interphase.

Roll call vote: Yes-6, No-0, Absent-1
Motion declared adopted

Mr. Bulthuis then reviewed his manager's report. Committee members shared their reports. Board members shared information updates, questions, and appreciation for Mr. Bulthuis as this was his last official meeting as manager.

26-80 A motion was made by Ms. Molotky, supported by Mr. Church, to appoint Vince Bush to the W.E.M.E.T. Policy Board.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Michael Dalman, Clerk Russ TeSlaa, Supervisor