

HOLLAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting
December 18, 2025

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

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

Absent: Trustee Elliott Church

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

Citizen's Comments: Mr. Joe Bush, Ottawa County Drains Commissioner, was present to address the Board and give an updated map of drains located in Holland Township.

Mr. TeSlaa reviewed the consent agenda.

25-128 A motion was made by Mr. Bush, supported by Mr. Nienhuis, to approve the consent agenda including communications (None), operational reports (None), and the minutes of the Board meeting held on December 4, 2025.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The next agenda item was consideration of a Resolution of Support for Ottawa Street Abandonment. All neighbors signed a petition supporting this request.

25-129 A resolution was offered by Mr. DeYoung, supported by Mr. Bush, to support the Ottawa Street Abandonment between lots 8 and 9 of the Overweg's Subdivision in Section 13 of the Township.

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

The next agenda item was the consideration of a Resolution for 2026 Hardship Exemption. This resolution adopts the poverty exemption guidelines to be followed by the Assessor and Board of Review. The resolution also established that in future years the Assessor will meet the federal poverty income guidelines as defined and determined annually by the United State Department of Health and Human Services.

25-130 A motion was made by Mr. Bush, supported by Ms. Molotky, to approve the resolution regarding the adoption of guidelines for poverty exemptions to be followed by the Assessor and Board of Review.

All supported the resolution
Resolution declared adopted

The next item was the consideration of rate changes for the Township. The proposed rate change starting January 1, 2026 is for burial rights in Township cemeteries. The new rate for residents is \$500 and for non-residents is \$2000.

25-131 A resolution was offered by Mr. DeYoung, supported by Mr. Bush, to approve the proposed rate changes for 2026.

All supported the resolution
Resolution declared adopted

Mr. Bulthuis reviewed the November 30, 2025 interim financial report submitted by Finance Director Smith. Next was consideration of a resolution to amend the FY2025 budget.

25-132 A resolution was offered by Mr. Dalman, supported by Mr. Nienhuis, to amend the FY2025 budget.

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

Next were three operational and capital expenditures for consideration. The first was a new 96” zero turn mower for the Parks Department. Mr. Bulthuis reviewed bids and the recommendation is to proceed with the purchase from Wolf Kubota for a new Exmark Lazer Z 96” mower for the net purchase price of \$32,663 after trade-in.

25-133 A motion was made by Mr. Dalman, supported by Ms. Molotky, to approve the purchase of the mower for the Parks Department.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The next item was an aerator for the Parks Department. Mr. Bulthuis reviewed bids and it was recommended to proceed with a purchase from Spartan Distribution for a new Aera-Vator 80” in an amount not to exceed \$13,761.13.

25-134 A motion was made by Mr. Bush, supported by Mr. Nienhuis, to approve the purchase of the aerator for the Parks Department.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The next item was the approval of water main/force main replacement at 106th Ave./112th Ave./Paw Paw Drive. Mr. Bulthuis reviewed bids and recommended, with the addition of contingencies and engineering, the bid from Kamminga and Roodvoets, Inc. be approved for a total authorization of \$10,600,000.00.

25-135 A motion was made by Mr. Bush, supported by Mr. DeYoung, to approve the bid from Kamminga and Roodvoets, Inc. for \$8,486,042.50 along with contingencies/engineering cost for a total authorization of \$10,600,000.00 for water main/force main replacement at 106th Ave./112th Ave./Paw Paw Drive.

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

The next item was the 2025 Annual Report of the Planning Commission.

25-136 A motion was made by Mr. Dalman, supported by Mr. Bush, to receive the 2025 Annual Report of the Planning Commission as information with gratitude to the Planning Commission.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

Mr. TeSlaa then gave a brief report on code enforcement activity in the Township along with categories of inspections.

Mr. Bulthuis reviewed his manager’s report. He also stated that Board meetings for January – April would be held at Fire Station #1 (131 Riley St.) due to construction at the Township Hall. Committee members shared their reports. Board members shared information and questions.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Dalman, Clerk

Russ TeSlaa, Supervisor