

Minutes of the Village of Holland Council Meeting
Held Tuesday, January 2, 2024

At 7:30 pm Mayor Ryan Spangler called the meeting to order. Council members Scott Brown, Justin Hoen, Mike Bettinger, Sandra Hensley and Nate Gaubert were in attendance. Clerk-Treasurer Lyn Krasula, Village Attorney Paul Skaff and Administrator Bob Bethel were also in attendance.

Mr. Skaff administered the oath of office to Mayor Spangler and then to Councilmen Brown, Hoen and Hensley for their newly elected terms beginning 1/1/2024.

Mayor Spangler advised that there is a vacancy on council. Any interested resident may submit a letter of interest along with a resume to the Village offices by January 10th. The Wage & Hiring committee will review all submissions with an anticipated recommendation to council at the 11/16/23 meeting. The appointed person will fill the vacancy until 12/31/2025 with the remaining 2 years up for election in November 2025.

Mayor Spangler requested nominations for council president for 2024. Mr. Gaubert nominated Mr. Brown. Mr. Bettinger seconded the nomination. No other nominations were presented. Roll call carried four ayes with Mr. Brown abstaining.

Mr. Gaubert made a motion to approve the minutes from the 12/12/2023 council meeting as presented by the Clerk-Treasurer. Mr. Brown seconded the motion with roll call carrying five ayes.

Mayor Spangler reviewed his appointments for council administrative assignments for 2024. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve as presented. Mr. Bettinger seconded the motion with roll call carrying five ayes. Mayor Spangler then reviewed his council committee assignments (copy attached). Mr. Gaubert made a motion to approve as presented. Mrs. Hensley seconded the motion with roll call carrying five ayes.

Mr. Spangler advised that former Mayor Irons did submit the annual Mayor's report for 2023. A copy was distributed to all members in their agenda packet.

Mayor Spangler discussed the council authorized spending limits currently in place. They are:
Employee \$500; Councilmember \$2,000 and Mayor \$7,500.

Mayor Spangler recommended increasing the Councilmember limit to \$2,500 and also setting the new Administrator at the same level. Mr. Bettinger made a motion to approve the new limits. Mr. Hoen seconded the motion with roll call carrying five ayes.

Mayor Spangler reviewed a quote from Central Square for the police department records management software annual support contract. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the renewal at a cost of \$5,579.18. Mr. Gaubert seconded the motion with roll call carrying five ayes.

Mayor Spangler reported that he has met with Maintenance Supervisor Brian Yunker and the Administrator and discussed the purchase of a new truck for the street department. It was agreed that the best fit would be a new F550 or F600 truck. Both are currently available at a local dealership, but the bid process would need to be followed. Mr. Bettinger agreed and stated the new truck would not require a CDL driver to operate. Mr. Bettinger made a motion to authorize the bid packet to be advertised. Mr. Brown seconded the motion with roll call carrying five ayes.

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Mr. Brown made a motion to suspend regular rules of council to allow Ordinance No. 1 and Resolution No. 2-2024 to be read by title only. Mr. Hoen seconded the motion with roll call carrying five ayes. First reading of Ordinance No. 1-2024, ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF HOLLAND, was read by title only. Mayor Spangler gave a brief overview on some of the recommended changes to the code including the junk motor vehicle and native plant garden sections. Mr. Gaubert made a motion to approve the first reading. Ms. Hensley seconded the motion with roll call carrying five ayes.

First reading of Resolution No. 2-2024, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO SERVE AS MAYORAL DESIGNEE ON COMMITTEES AND BOARDS, was read by title only. Mr. Bettinger made a motion to approve the first and final reading. Mr. Hoen seconded the motion with roll call carrying five ayes.

Mayor Spangler advised there will be a presentation by the Holland Library at the next meeting regarding an expansion proposal that would require more land be donated from Village's Strawberry Acres park.

Mr. Bettinger gave an update on the police station flooding remediation project. Mr. Bethel reviewed an Administrator's report which highlighted items he has been working on and priorities of his new office.

There being no further business, at 8:05 pm Mr. Gaubert made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried five ayes.

Lyn Krasula, Clerk-Treasurer

Ryan Spangler, Mayor