

Minutes of the Village of Holland Council Meeting  
Held Tuesday, February 4, 2025

At 6:01 pm Mayor Ryan Spangler called the meeting to order. Council members Justin Hoen, Sandy Almond, Mike Bettinger, Scott Brown, Sandra Hensley, Nathan Gaubert, Village Attorney Paul Skaff, Clerk-Treasurer Lyn Krasula and Administrator Bob Bethel were all in attendance.

Ms. Hensley made a motion to approve the minutes from the 1/21/25 council meeting as presented. Mrs. Almond seconded the motion with roll call carrying six ayes.

Attorney Skaff updated council on the recent NOAC activities to obtain quotes for electric rates for its communities. In May the current electric contract expires. Palmer Energy has issued a request for proposals and has received three offers, each for 12 to 24 months at a fixed rate. Palmer has reviewed and has determined that the 12-month rate offers better savings. Palmer will provide an agreement for 12 months to cover a May 2025 to May 2026 contract. An ordinance authorizing this action will be presented later in the meeting.

Ms. Krasula reviewed multiple 2024 financial reports with council including, but not limited to, the YTD fund report for all funds, a comparison of investment proceeds which generated over \$1.1million last year, discussed types of investments, rates and terms, Village debt balances, grant receipts, payroll and benefit expenses, and income tax receipts by type.

Mayor Spangler reviewed a quote from Toledo Fence & Supply Co in the amount of \$76,068. This will replace the current split rail fence along Clarion in Strawberry Acre park with ornamental black aluminum fencing in the same style that was installed along the McCord Road side in 2024. This quote is below the bid requirement limit. Mr. Gaubert made a motion to approve the bid from Toledo Fence as presented. Mr. Bettinger seconded the motion with roll call carrying six ayes.

Mayor Spangler presented an invoice requesting a \$5,000 sponsorship donation from Springfield Township. The Village will decrease its picture in the park event to one in 2025 and will then partner with Springfield Township as a sponsor for their summer events including the freedom fireworks, a car show and the 419 music fest. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the sponsorship to Springfield Township. Mrs. Almond seconded the motion with roll call carrying six ayes.

Mayor Spangler reviewed a quote from Allied Innovation for a new Canon copier for the municipal building. Mr. Brown made a motion to authorize the purchase in an amount not to exceed \$8,000. Mr. Hoen seconded the motion with roll call carrying six ayes.

Mr. Brown made a motion to suspend regular rules of council to allow reading of Ordinance No. 4 & 5-2025 by title only. Mr. Gaubert seconded the motion with roll call carrying six ayes.

First reading of Ordinance No. 4-2025, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A SUPPLY AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF ELECTRICITY WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF HOLLAND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read by title only. Mr. Brown made a motion to suspend regular rules of council to dispense with the second and third reading. Mr. Hoen seconded the motion with roll call carrying six ayes. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the first and final reading as an emergency. Mr. Gaubert seconded the motion with roll call carrying six ayes.

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First reading of Ordinance No. 5-2025, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE RE-ENACTMENT OF CERTAIN SECTIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 1 AND 4-2025, was read by title only. Mr. Brown made a motion to suspend regular rules of council to dispense with the second and third readings. Mrs. Almond seconded the motion with roll call carrying six ayes. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the first and final reading. Ms. Hensley seconded the motion with roll call carrying six ayes.

Mayor Spangler advised there will be two zoning public hearings at the next meeting.

Mr. Bettinger stated a portion of the Douglas Company and Hoen’s Greenhouse driveway is considered a Springfield Township road. However, Hoen’s has been doing pothole patching and repairs at their expense. As this portion of the Township is in the JEDZ, he feels it is the Township’s responsibility to repair this drive from the JEDZ funds as these funds were supposed to be used to enhance the JEDZ area. He requested the Village call the Township requesting repairs. Mayor Spangler advised that the Village has no control over this area and it is up to the JEDZ or the Township to do these repairs as the location is not in the Village.

Mr. Bettinger then went on to state the Mayor may have been “misinformed” regarding the JEDD expansion passed by the Village last year when he stated it was at the property owners request. Mr. Bettinger stated he was not in favor of the expansion. When the JEDD started it was only to be along the Dorr Street corridor. Now the expansion includes the Firepit Grill on Airport Highway and the owner does not want to be included in the JEDD. Mayor Spangler stated he did not feel it was appropriate to go into a detailed response as he has been threatened with civil litigation. However, the JEDD expansion passed in 2024 included four properties. None of the four properties were the Firepit Grill location and that location has not been presented from the Township for inclusion to date. Mr. Spangler stated he was not misinformed; at the time of the JEDD amendment he stated truthfully that the property owners had agreed to be included in the JEDD.

Chief Piotrowski advised council that a new ballistic shield has been ordered using the \$1,000 Walmart donation received earlier this year.

Mr. Bethel advised that Lucas County has begun building regulations and inspection on behalf of the Village on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. The new playground equipment for Strawberry Acres has been scheduled for installation in March.

Mr. Bettinger made a motion to authorize payment of bills totaling \$93,111.94 as presented by the Clerk-Treasurer. Mr. Gaubert seconded the motion with roll call carrying six ayes.

Frames Pest Control	\$59.26	Frames Pest Control	\$59.26	Target Solutions	\$1,067.20
Criminal Justice	3097.50	Robert Bethel	10.00	Ohio School Resource	750.00
Roth Automotive	1,200.00	Llrmi	350.00	Lexis Nexis	130.00
Toledo Edison	63.01	Toledo Edison	705.98	Toledo Edison	63.60
Toledo Edison	68.91	Toledo Edison	388.64	Toledo Edison	2.48
Toledo Edison	604.00	Toledo Edison	158.10	Toledo Edison	466.61
Medical Mutual	41,192.47	Marionna Wilborn	100.00	Justin Estep	100.00
Perry Protech	100.43	Cintas Corporation	39.36	Dept Of Public Utilities	34.65
Dept Of Public Utilities	248.11	Dept Of Public Utilities	25.39	Dept Of Public Utilities	8.19
Signature Bank	168.97	Signature Bank	48.13	Signature Bank	53.94
Signature Bank	148.99	Signature Bank	348.61	Signature Bank	230.11
Jam Best One	182.77	Helms & Sons	1,609.00	Bowser Morner	1,920.50
Signature Bank	65.14	Ohio Compost	4,500.00	Vance’s Law	1,356.05

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Marcia Doncouse	100.00	Garson Darrin	100.00	Johnson Controls	40.00
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Ohio Police & Fire	13,294.32	Ohio Dept Of Taxation	10,484.98		

Jeff Klingshirn of 8836 Dorr Street presented and read a letter to council regarding his business property at 7723 Airport Highway where the Firepit Grill is located. He stated he felt his property is being “forced into the JEDD” by Springfield Township due to a Township zoning amendment and requested that the Village seek a legal opinion from the Ohio Attorney General.

Brian Hudock of 5850 Wilkins Road in Whitehouse Ohio stated he is the occupant of a new business at 7723 Airport Highway in the same strip mall as the Firepit Grill. He stated Springfield Township will not issue an occupancy or sign permit without joining the Dorr Street JEDD. He does not want to join and feels he is being “coerced”.

Mayor Spangler advised both gentlemen that this issue has not come before the Village of Holland, this matter is with Springfield Township. Attorney Skaff informed them their issue is not with the Village; but with the Township. Mayor Spangler stated the only government body this issue has been in front of is Springfield Township and it is inappropriate for us to state an opinion or comment on a Township matter. The only JEDD expansion property forwarded from Springfield Township to the Village was in October, 2024 and a public hearing was held at that time for those specific properties. Attorney Skaff again stated their remedy is with the Township, not Holland.

At 6:50 pm, there being no further business, Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Gaubert seconded the motion. Motion carried six ayes.

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Lyn Krasula, Clerk-Treasurer

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Ryan Spangler, Mayor