

# Holland Township Board of Adjustment

## Regular Meeting

### **Minutes of the February 27, 2013**

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Ginger Crawford:

“I call to order the February 27, 2013 Meeting of the Holland Township Board of Adjustment. Adequate notice of this meeting was given pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act Law by the Board of Adjustment Board Secretary on December 20, 2012 by:

1. Posting such notice on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building.
2. Published in the December 20, 2012 issue of the Hunterdon County Democrat
3. Faxed to the Express Times for informational purposes only

Flag Salute

Chairman Crawford asked all to please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Identification of those at the podium for the benefit of the recording machine:

**Present:** Wilson “Bo” Baker, Jerry Bowers, Ginger Crawford, Les Gallipeau, Todd Bolig, Esq., and Maria Elena Jennette Kozak, Secretary.

**Absent:** Bill Ethem, Peter Kanakaris William Martin, and Gail Rader. Lucille Grozinski, CSR was also not present as per the direction of Chairman Crawford. The board approved this as an excused absence. Let the record show there is a quorum.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Wilson “Bo” Baker and seconded by Jerry Bowers, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting on January 30, 2013 and to approve as submitted. All Present were in favor. Motion carried.

### **Completeness**

No new applications received

### **Public Hearing**

There was not a Public Hearing scheduled.

### **Resolution**

There were no resolutions to be discussed.

### **Old Business**

There was no Old Business to be discussed.

### **New Business:**

Board of Adjustment Engineer:

Chairman Crawford explained how the sub-committee determined how they were going to conduct interviews. Five firms were interested in the Engineering position and five firms were interviewed. The sub-committee had spreadsheets of comparisons as well as questions of importance. The sub-committee spent a significant amount of time on determining which engineering firm would work with this particular board. It was not an easy task. The sub-committee looked at cost effectiveness as well. One candidate expressed the desire to help the board but to also assist the applicant in making sure the applicant was not only helped but treated fairly.

The sub-committee presented candidate Robert Martucci of Van Cleef Engineering for consideration for the 2013 Board of Adjustment Engineering position.

For the record, the sub-committee strongly considered retaining the Township and Planning Board Engineer, Richard Roseberry of Maser Consulting. Mr. Roseberry has worked with the Board of Adjustment and the Board of Adjustment had no issues. The sub-committee after deliberation decided they wanted to try another engineer to present a new set of eyes to the process as well as having another set of eyes reviewing the important issues within the township. More of a checks and balance system. Les Gallipeau asked if Mr. Roseberry and Mr. Martucci were perceivably equal in skills and received the affirmative answer. They felt Mr. Martucci had a passion for locality and had an understanding of Holland Township and that he just hit it off with the sub-committee. The sub-committee said it was a very hard decision but they are comfortable in supporting Mr. Martucci as the board engineer. The sub-committee really liked that Mr. Martucci was raised in Hunterdon County and on a farm.

The board thanked the sub-committee for all the hard work and dedication. Everyone was in favor of the proposal.

A motion was made by Les Gallipeau and seconded by Wilson “Bo” Baker to appoint Robert Martucci of Van Cleef Engineering as the 2013 Board of Adjustment Engineer. At a roll call vote, all present were in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

There were some questions of an appeal application vs. an interpretation application and Attorney Bolig said he will obtain clarification for the board.

### **Public Comment**

There were no members of the public present.

Jerry Bowers made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Maria Elena Jennette Kozak*

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Secretary