

**VILLAGE OF HOLLY
COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of September 11, 2007**

The regular meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Holly was called to order by President Clemens at 7:00 P.M. in the Village Council Chambers located at 315 S. Broad Street, Holly, Michigan.

Councilmembers Present

Shirley Campbell
Reisa Hamilton
Pauline Kenner
William Kuyk
Don Winglemire
Peter Clemens

Staff Present

Aaron Oppenheimer
Rollie Gackstetter
Marv Swanson
Richard Figura
Suzanne Perreault
Paul Schimmeyer

Others Present

Joe & Bev Ponton
Larry Lilly
Jackie Campbell
Thomas E. Clark
Janet Clark
Cherie Monetto
Jim Weil
Roland Miller
Elena Miller
Angie Lemon
Jim Clark
Diane Kratz
Amy Mayhew
Anne Hahn

Council Members Absent

Clemens opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Agenda Approval
2. Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes of 8-24-07
3. Approval of Bills for Payment \$319,054.40
4. Routine Reports:
 - A. Planning Commission 7-25-07 and 8-22-07
 - B. Downtown Development Authority 8-13-07
 - C. Historic District Commission 8-16-07
 - D. Zoning Board of Appeals 8-27-07
5. Meditation Terms

6. Accept G. Mills resignation from the ZBA (Res. No. 2007-54)
7. Appointment of M. Kammerer to ZBA and M. Guinn to Planning Commission (Res. No. 2007-55)
8. Special Event Permit – Faith Baptist Church

Changes to the Agenda:

- Add New Business “A” – Thermal Imaging Camera for the Village Fire Department

Motion Winglemire, second Campbell to accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried by a voice vote of six ayes and no nays.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jim Clark of 314 Hadley:

- Commended Council for not electing someone to fill Jim Scherman’s position until after the election
- Half of Deer Valley Road is not in the Village as stated in the Aug. 14, 2007 Council minutes
- If Deer Valley is turned over to the Village, Council would be vulnerable to attack for spending money on things that are not their responsibility, especially since some current Village residents are unable to get services
- Council is not to blame that Pulte residents didn’t read their Master Deed’s which explained they were not within the Village limits

Diane Kratz, Holly Area Youth Assistance representative:

- Ordering a memorial bench in memory of Doug Quinn to be placed at the Karl Richter campus
- Office has been moved to Patterson Elementary creating a delivery problem
- Could bench be delivered to DPW and assembled and secured by them?
- Council agreed to these requests

Larry Lilly of 110 Clarence:

- Shocked to see what he considered lies about himself on Clemens election flyer and he plans to sue
- Clemens said he stood by his statements

PRESENTATIONS:

Clemens presented a certificate of

appreciation to Jerry Flewelling, commending him for his community service as a member of the Holly DPW in aiding Tom Clark after an accident. Tom Clark also thanked the Fire, Police and Ambulance personnel.

PUBLIC HEARING:

a) Holly Millpond Special Assessment Roll

Motion Kuyk, second Kenner to enter public hearing. Motion carried by a voice vote of six ayes and no nays.

Jim Clark of 314 Hadley:

- Village of Holly was developed around the Millpond
- Special assessment district was developed to take care of the shallow pond
- Chemical treatment history was explained
- There is a new kind of weed that could cost an extra \$400 per acre to treat
- Opposed to the increase prior to receiving all the facts.

Anne Hahn, owner of 418 Hadley:

- Hard to find renters due to truck restrictions
- They are paying most of the treatment costs as an improved lot even though they have no access to the water
- Opposed to the increase

Larry Lilly of 110 Clarence:

- Asked if pond was being dredged as well, and was told no
- Asked the amount of the increase and was told \$2,400

Jackie Campbell of 807 Mary Ann:

- Asked why Rose Twp. is not contributing since part of the pond is in Rose Twp.

Motion Campbell, second Winglemire to exit public hearing. Motion carried by a voice vote of six ayes and no nays.

OLD BUSINESS:

a) Cell Tower Agreement (Tabled)

Motion Winglemire, second Kenner to remove from the table. Motion carried by a voice vote of six ayes and no nays.

Winglemire discussed the history of the agreement, saying it had been tabled since a Feb. 13, 2007 worksession, adding that he felt a decision needed to be made.

Motion Winglemire to proceed with signing the Unison Option 1 Agreement for a 25-year term with the Village receiving an up front payment of \$123,522.

Oppenheimer how the village would receive the funds from Unison, future tower revenues and how funds would be used.

Kuyk said he felt 25 years was too long, and that it would be a poor policy to agree to an up front financial contribution in exchange for a 40% loss in future revenues.

Figura said if Council proceeded, Unison would have 6 months in which to decide if they wanted to close on the Agreement.

Jackie Campbell of 807 Mary Ann:

- Asked why the up front money went from \$125,000 down to \$123,522

- Feels there is no back door and nothing to protect the Village in the future

Larry Lilly of 110 Clarence:

- Said up front money for the water fund was good
- Asked about \$38,671 in revenues received for the cellular towers, and was told that money currently goes into the water fund

There was no support for the motion.

Motion Kuyk, second Kenner to reject both the Unison agreements. Roll call vote was as follows:

Voting for: Kuyk, Hamilton, Kenner, Campbell, Clemens

Voting against: Winglemire

Absent: None

The motion carried.

b) Holly Township – Sorenson Park (Tabled)

This item remained tabled.

NEW BUSINESS:

a) Thermal Imaging Camera for the Village Fire Department

Oppenheimer presented a quote and explained how the camera worked, saying the Fire Dept. has been working to raise funds to purchase this item, and noting a generous donation that was received from the Ponton family. Oppenheimer discussed other avenues to fully fund the camera through the CDBG funding.

Kuyk thanked the Ponton’s for their donation

and suggested holding a public hearing.

Motion Kuyk, second Campbell to schedule a public hearing to reallocate the CDBG funds to assist in the purchase of the Thermal Imaging equipment for the Fire Department and to pursue the acquisition thereafter. Roll call vote was as follows:

Voting for: Kenner, Campbell, Winglemire, Kuyk, Hamilton, Clemens

Voting against: None

Absent: None

The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Village Manager:

- Morrison St. update
- Elm St. tower is finished
- Streetscape update
- Village/Twp. meeting was planned for Oct. 2nd 2007 at 6:00 PM
- Problem with truck traffic on Cogshall
- Said he appreciated working with Campbell and thanked her for her service on the Council
- Baird St. sidewalk was discussed

Attorney:

- Figura also thanked Campbell

Clerk – Treasurer:

- Powers was absent from the meeting

Council Comments:

- Village crews did a great job during the tornado
- Council thanked Campbell for her service
- Campbell thanked all the people who have supported her over the years and

said her one regret was the Pulte water/sewer decision

- Kuyk thanked Campbell for being his mentor, saying she has never let the Village down

ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing further to discuss, Clemens adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.

Peter Clemens, Village President

**Marsha A. Powers, CMC-CPFA
Clerk-Treasurer**

Sheri McGee, Transcriber