

ROLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
ZONING + GENERAL MEETING, October 11, 2021
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The Roland Township ZONING BOARD was called to order by Board Chairman Vern Jacobson at 7:00 p.m. October 11, 2021, in the Quilt Inn Meeting Room, with Supervisors Mike Hall, John Warberg, Michael Sivertson and David Thompson, along with Zoning Administrator Tim Kihle and Clerk Glenore Gross. Fourteen visitors were in attendance.

Minutes: September 13 Public Hearing and Board minutes were approved as written.

Treasurers Report was presented, with Cash/Fund balance of \$596,842.08 and request to pay bills of \$84,715.56. Security First balance remains the same; the interest-only bond payment estimated at \$22,545 is due Nov. 1. *MOTION by David T to approve the Treasurers report as presented and approve bill payments, 2nd by John W. VOTE: 5 YES = CARRIED.*

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Tim presented three building permits and a fence permit; the following was discussed:

- **Request for garage addition at 21' to road – Pat Butz/Westergard:** Kevin Allard explained the addition was designed to coordinate with the existing building and be in line with others on the street, which have been grandfathered in closer to the road than 30' as in the current ordinance. John W expressed concern that this garage is situated so that vehicles leaving it would back into the street. Butz told the board the intended use was basically for boathouse storage to replace the boathouse that had been removed, and suggested the road has little traffic. Board confirmed owner has other garages available for vehicles. *MOTION by Mike H to approve a variance to allow the garage at 21' to the edge of the road, since it would be in line with other structures plus there are other garages for vehicles; 2nd by David T.* Michael S and John W stated disagreement with the extent of the variance, and asked if the lot would allow moving the addition farther back toward the lake. Butz said there is a drop in elevation if he moved it back, and emphasized that other structures are closer than his would be. *VOTE: David T-YES, Mike H-YES, John W-NO, Michael S-NO, Vern J-NO (after deliberation). MOTION FAILED.* Further discussion led to an option for Butz to pursue combining his two lots into one parcel to perhaps assist what he would like to do.

OLD (Unfinished) ZONING BUSINESS:

1. **Complaint re Vegetation Removed Causing Road Erosion – N Lake Pk Rd:** Mike H reported agreement reached to not remove any more vegetation, and a game plan for repair will be worked on over winter.
2. **Consideration for permit to replace small cabin on small lot – Jeff Hooker/Rugby Pt:** Hooker presented potential plans for a structure to replace the old cabin that is not salvageable and does not meet setbacks; he would like to remove it this fall and place a new slab. His plan includes replacing the deck with ground level pavers to gain square footage in the cabin; if so a shoreline variance isn't needed, but it would still need a road variance. It will maintain the basic footprint size but be moved off the side property line to meet side setbacks. Hooker said he would like to have board agreement to the plans before he removed the old structure and placed the new slab. *MOTION by David T to approve the potential permit with road variance, allow the tear down now and allow moving the structure while keeping the same footprint; 2nd by John W. VOTE: 5 YES = CARRIED.*
3. **Property Line Dispute Update – George Zeitler/Rugby Pt:** Mike H spoke with the neighbor who reported there would be nothing going on until the property line dispute is straightened out.
4. **Consider Rec Service District Regulations as Addendum D to Township Ordinance:** It is unclear now how changed regulations might fit as an addendum; can be looked at later.

NEW ZONING BUSINESS:

1. **Added: Query Regarding Raising Cabin and Attached Boathouse w/Deck on Top – Westergard 2nd:** Kevin Allard presented a situation with a new purchaser of an older cabin proposing changes to add space. Due to the layout and suggested changes, board agreed they would need to check the site before giving direction on what might be permitted. Tabled to November 8 meeting.

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GENERAL MEETING called to order at 7:45 p.m.

OLD (Unfinished) GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. **Liquor License Request + Conditional Use Permit for 2022 LandoLIVE Music Festival:** Landon Bahl clarified that he would be the vendor as LL Beverages for just the planned festival. *MOTION by Michael S to approve the Conditional Use Permit and Liquor License for LL Beverages for LandoLive Music Festival July 16-17, 2022; 2nd by John W. VOTE: 5 YES = CARRIED.*
2. **Paving Repairs Request from Paul & Lisa Olson/Minot Beach:** Vern reported on conversation with Atty Hankla. He confirmed that chip sealing the Bernstein/Olson road would be a township requirement, a distance of approximately 1/8 mile. If any conflict over it should arise, he said to call authorities. Clerk to send letter to Olsons with the information.
3. **Final Plat – Shirley Larson Addition/Loon Lake:** Chairman has signed the final plat.
4. **Mowing Report:** Mike H suggested having W Lund mow around Rugby Point. Danny Biberdorf told the board he has new mowing equipment on his bobcat which can cut good-sized trees.
5. **Road Issue Updates:**
 - **Cabin Roads** – Danny B reported on the project to clear the Birchwood Bay ditch. One problem is the culvert there isn't laying right for proper draining and was a big problem to clean out; he added a grate with a handle to help in the future and plans to have some kind of marker to signal when the culvert needs attention before it gets to be as big a problem. He turned in an invoice for \$9,437; need to check on payment assistance from Oak Creek Water Board.
 - **Rural Roads** - the road to Loon Lake still needs Josh Lorenz to check on needed repair, will hold off until after repairs to install signs for slow traffic due to children.
6. **Publishing of Road Weight Limits:** *MOTION by David T to run this every 2nd week year round; 2nd by John W. VOTE: 5 YES = CARRIED.*
7. **Follow-ups:**
 - **Road Signs – 18th Ave NE:** Mike H said Ritch Gimbel has contacted 911 to make the road signs; being on a Scenic Byway has some effect on signing.

NEW GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. **Liquor License Request for Thunder Mountain Speedway:** The application didn't have a contact for the request and clerk neglected to bring it. Vern expressed concern for their potential liability and the added insurance cost; he suggested a Thunder Mountain representative should come to the next meeting to present details. Clerk will send a letter to the person who phoned with the request.
2. **Added: County's Boat Ramp at Narrows:** Board briefly discussed the layout arrangement of the parking area, questioned the funding sources, and indicated that if any request to share in the cost was presented the answer would be no.

REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

- None presented.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.
Glenore Gross, Clerk/Treasurer