

**ROLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES**  
**ZONING + GENERAL MEETING, December 13, 2021**  
**PAGE 1 OF 2**

---

**The Roland Township ZONING BOARD** was called to order by Board Chairman Vern Jacobson at 7:00 p.m. December 13, 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. Three visitors attended.

**Minutes:** November 8 Board minutes were approved as written.

**Treasurers Report** was presented, with Cash/Fund balance of \$442,628.16 and request to pay bills of \$3,356.39; (Billing to Oak Creek Water Board for \$1,500 for Birchwood area cleanout not received yet). Security First balance now \$33,692.86. *MOTION by David T to approve the Treasurers report as presented and approve bill payments, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John W. VOTE: 5 YES = CARRIED.*

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**

Tim's report:

- Permit OK'd for Ryan Johnson to replace a boathouse on the same footprint in Sunset Bay.
- Demo of old and Permit for a new cabin for Dan Bullinger in Hahn's Bay area; drawing received today had a covered deck that appeared to be closer to the shoreline than 50', he will check back to confirm distance and determine if a variance would be needed.
- Query on what the board would consider allowable setbacks on Lot 12 Oakshore 1<sup>st</sup> for Stevick to replace the log cabin and garage with one structure following roughly the same outline of the two buildings; Tim was requested to confirm the lot dimensions and setbacks for the rounded point of land.
- Past permit for Richard Olson was not exercised, he is now changing dimensions; board said since permits expire after a year Olson will need to get a new permit.
- Mobile home was moved in on a rural lot without a permit; due to misunderstanding of who was responsible to request it board waived the penalty. Tim will collect the \$300 permit fee.

**OLD (Unfinished) ZONING BUSINESS:**

1. **Request to Reconsider Garage Addition at 21' (or so) to road – Kevin Allard for Pat Butz/Westergard:** Michael S and John W reported on their revisit to the site and felt there should be another 1 to 1 ½' added to the setback, possibly by lining up with the other house which would put the addition an angle. Kevin Allard said that angle would not be appropriate for the site. He also felt it was misleading to call the addition a garage due to how it would be used; however, the board said a next owner could just as likely use it as a garage. Allard reported on measuring several similar or shorter setbacks in the area and questioned what guidelines are followed. Mike H said he tested the setback by parking his pickup there and felt it left adequate open space. After further discussion, *MOTION by Mike H to approve the addition as drawn up, due to similar setbacks in the area, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David T.* In response to further discussion, *MOTION RESCINDED by Mike H. New MOTION by Mike H to approve the addition if the building can be moved back one and a half feet (1 ½'), 2<sup>nd</sup> by David T.* After discussion that it appeared to be workable, *VOTE - 5 YES = CARRIED.*
2. **Roadside Vegetation Removal Issue – N Lake Pk Rd:** The drainage system mentioned as a fix at the last meeting was unacceptable to the person who had reported the issue; Vern and Mike H visited with her and agreed to proceed with a plan to replace the vegetation to protect the pavement from crumbling. Bids will be solicited in early spring for possible sod or rollout matting rather than grass seed which could easily wash away, to be done in the area of the complaint with the cost to be charged to the person who removed that vegetation. Also, possible sod or rollout matting to be done on both sides of the road going north from the Y where the vegetation needs to be replaced to preserve the roadway from washing out. The person responsible for killing the vegetation would be given a warning not to kill it again or he would be charged for any future replacement costs.

**NEW ZONING BUSINESS:**

1. **None offered.**

**ROLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES**  
**ZONING + GENERAL MEETING, December 13, 2021**  
**PAGE 2 OF 2**

---

**GENERAL MEETING called to order at 8:00 p.m.**

**OLD (Unfinished) GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. **Mowing Report – Tractor Tires:** David said 4 tires were ordered; he explained that excess tire wear is due to how the edge of the road chews into them. Four were ordered to have backup available.
2. **Road Issue Updates:**
  - **Cabin Roads** – The county is working on replacing signs that have been reported down; most can't be located by now.
    - **Snow Clearing:** Some delay due to the county waited for a call to come when they usually just come without being called; Sivertson did clearing also.
    - **Driveways Blocked:** Written request was received to ask if the township has an ordinance to prevent others from plowing snow and “intentionally dumping it in other people’s driveways, blocking them.” Board members who checked the area did not observe blocked driveways; they requested access to pictures or video reportedly available to assist in responding to the complaint. Mike H noted the same problem happens with county plows; some units have wings but not the ones used at the lake.
  - **Rural Roads** – Signs were placed, but one is not where intended. The landowner who removed some fence when the road to Loon Lake was realigned requested assistance to replace the fence. *MOTION by John W to provide the materials to replace that portion of fence, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike H. VOTE – 5 YES = CARRIED.*
3. **(Publishing of Road Weight Limits – to continue every 2<sup>nd</sup> week until further notice.)**
4. **(Hold for Spring – Chip Seal/Minot Beach)**

**NEW GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. **Liquor License Request for Potential New Owner Dockside:** Application was not returned. Vern said the two previous applications were turned down by the county due to not having adequate information included. Board questioned who is responsible for getting background information; it hasn't been a township duty. Past history is the township decision was based on being limited to how many licenses could be issued in the township.
2. **County Request for Cost Share to Replace Boat Landing Planks w/Poured in Place Slab:** Board felt cost share was possible but saw problems with the plan to do poured in place concrete slabs. *MOTION by Mike H to approve a \$7,500 contribution to the project if it is done as a plain concrete slab that is shoved into the water, and if it is scheduled to be done prior to Memorial Day or after Labor Day, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David T.* Discussed that using a berm and digging out space to pour concrete in place would require shutting down the use of the boat landing for too great of a time in a short season. John W suggested following how Game and Fish does their boat landings, Mike H suggested doing it as the State Park landing was done. *VOTE – 5 YES = CARRIED.*
3. **Schedule Holiday Social Gathering at Birchwood:** Board agreed on Monday, January 3, 2022, 6:00 p.m. Clerk will send a reminder.

**REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE:**

- David T shared information from his attendance at the ND Township Officers Assoc. meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.  
Glenore Gross, Clerk/Treasurer