

**ROLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES**  
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**The Roland Township ZONING BOARD** was called to order at 7:00 p.m. June 13, 2022, in the Quilt Inn meeting room by Chairman Vern Jacobson with Supervisors Mike Hall, John Warberg, Michael Sivertson and David Thompson, along with Zoning Administrator Tim Kihle and Clerk Glenore Gross in attendance. Seven visitors signed the register.

**Minutes:** May 9 Board minutes were approved as written. **Treasurers Report** was presented, with Cash/Fund balance of \$580,630.89 and request to pay bills of \$11,003.74 (plus \$8,027.50 for Selensky Services). Security First balance is \$33,692.86, bond balance estimated as \$838,605 after May payment; interest only payment is due Nov. 1. *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 presented several building and demolition permits, plus two new RV CUPs. Discussions were held on the following:

- **Request for 8x10 Shed plus 10x12 Treehouse – Mack/E Shore Pk:** Board was not agreeable to a treehouse (which has not been addressed in the zoning code), noting especially the lot's visibility to public areas, but approved the small shed.
- **Road Setback Previously Approved - J Hooker/Rugby Pt:** Cabin replacement plans were discussed and approved last fall for the narrow lot; owner had power pole removed and added underground wiring resulting in increased road setback although still minimal.
- **Request for Road Variance for Shed – Hamilton/N Lake Pk:** Small shed is proposed to be set up behind the fence which is 10' from the road. After clarification, *MOTION by Mike H to approve the request, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David T. VOTE – 5 YES = CARRIED.*
- **Request for Shoreline Variance – Christenson/1<sup>st</sup> Oakshore:** After previous discussions regarding possible remodel plans with side setback issues, owner now proposes to replace cabin using also the adjacent lot they have purchased. Permit planning includes the current request to allow structure at 39 ½' from shoreline to be in line with neighboring structures. *MOTION by John W to approve a shoreline setback at 39 ½', 2<sup>nd</sup> by Michael S. VOTE – 5 YES = CARRIED.*

**OLD (Unfinished) ZONING BUSINESS:**

1. **Request for 28x30 Garage Needing Road Variance – K Allard for S Farstad/Westergard 2nd:** Owner requesting garage at 15' to road with parallel entry. In response to last month's request, Allard gave proposed dimensions as 9' walls, roof at 6/12 pitch. After discussion on limited parking space onsite, *MOTION by Michael S to approve the road variance at 15', 2<sup>nd</sup> by John W. VOTE – Michael S-YES, John W-YES, Mike H-YES, David T-NO, Vern J-NO. CARRIED with 3 YES, 2 NO.*
2. **Request for Road Variance for Garage – C Hawley/Westergard:** After previous requests did not receive approval, Tim said owner will not pursue a garage closer than 30' from the road.
3. **Vegetation Repair Project – N Lake Pk Rd:** Plan is still in the works, needs to be completed soon.

**NEW ZONING BUSINESS:**

1. **Proposal for 10 Back Lots – Joe Bender for Shirley Larson/Loon Lake:** Lots are on the farmland across the road behind previously approved shoreline lots and are more or less tied in with each lot. After discussion, *MOTION by David T to approve the preliminary proposal for 10 back lots, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John W. VOTE – 5 YES = CARRIED.*
2. **Report on S Berg/C Guss Easement Dispute – Longview 1<sup>st</sup>:** Paperwork was received related to status of a previously addressed dispute, with a request for consideration for a potential RV permit. Board noted the lot size and topography does not allow for standard use of the lot, and with logistics related to an

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easement the lot is also minimal for RV use, plus the lot is not hooked to sewer. Mike H and Tim will address the situation if an RV permit is requested.

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

**OLD (Unfinished) GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. **NDDOT Grant Program for Township Transportation Funding:** David T and Mike H submitted potential road projects for this special TTFP funding; no township contribution would be needed if any project should be accepted. Per ND Township Officers information, the program has a 6/30/2023 funding end date, beyond which funding is not guaranteed.
2. **Township Road Mileage Update Report:** Mike H said township roads total 48 miles per County Road Supt Ritchie Gimbel, based on what the road crews maintain. This is less than an amount calculated in earlier years; further checking with the county will be done to confirm the miles.
3. **Road Issue Updates:**
  - **Cabin Roads:** Chip seal needs are being looked at; bad area at bridge was fixed.
  - **Rural Roads:** Nothing new.
4. **Mower/Tractor Update:** Front tires have been installed on the tractor, rear tires should arrive soon. Some tree clearing is needed.
5. **New Format for Road Weight Limit Ad:** The ad is now at \$59.50 per time, will leave as is.

**NEW GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. **Liquor License Request – Donnet Sivertson/The Lake House:** The request denied a year ago by the state is being resubmitted; it is for On-Sale only. *MOTION BY John W to give township approval of the Liquor License request for The Lake House, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike H. VOTE – 4 YES 1 ABSTAIN (Michael S) = CARRIED.*
2. **Added: Question on Where to Dump Leaves & Grass - Lakeshore Lawn:** Lakeshore Lawn asked a board member if there is any place locally to dump leaves and grass. A complaint had been made about leaves being blown into the lake, but the owner responded to the clerk that it was due to strong winds. Board suggested talking with private landowners to locate a suitable site or check with the garbage collection provider. Board agreed providing a dump site locally was not an option due to the expected resulting mess.

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

**REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Mike Hall reported that LMRSD has begun testing of water samples.