

**ROLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES**  
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**A PUBLIC HEARING to Address the 2025 Budget** was opened at 6:55 p.m. September 9 in the Quilt Inn meeting room by Chairman Mike Hall, with Supervisors Luke Artz, Michael Sivertson, Vern Jacobson and David Thompson in attendance, as well as Zoning Administrator Tim Kihle and Clerk Glenore Gross and nine visitors. The budget as approved at the Annual Meeting in March was presented again as required by state regulation since it is greater than \$100,000. Clerk explained that amounts are estimated based on past use and expected changes, with reserves planned to be set aside for anticipated future road work. The 2025 expenses estimated at \$282,250 offset by estimated income of \$53,700 results in a levy of \$228,550. No public input was recorded. Hearing was closed at 6:59 p.m.

**The Roland Township ZONING BOARD** was called to order immediately following close of the hearing by Chairman Mike Hall with attendance as above.

**Minutes:** August 12 Board minutes were approved as written. **Treasurer Report** was presented with Cash/Fund balance of \$603,183.35 and a request to pay bills of \$10,963.19 as listed; clerk has a payment of \$1,031.00 to paving specials Bond Fund to deposit. *MOTION by David to approve the Treasurers report and pay the bills, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Luke. CARRIED.*

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**

Tim presented these permits:

- T Froseth, Burnetts Addn, Mike checked the site for a sewer question; the planned structure will be moved rather than moving the sewer line.
- DesLauriers, Solpers Addn, Mike confirmed garage placement related to the sewer line was OK.
- J Bullinger, Westergard 2<sup>nd</sup>, replace a 10x12 dilapidated shed.
- K Yale, Roadside Ranch, garage permit based on setback variance approved last month.
- B Schweitzer, Minot Beach, permit not needed to move a garage on other than a township road; permit for structure on side lot to be checked in October; boathouse will need a variance. *On hold.*
- R Conway, Burnetts Addn, discussed plan for 12x14 shed to be 20' from shoreline; if not a WOSS would need a variance but at 10x14 would not; board reminded him a variance is not guaranteed. *On hold.*
- L Thiel, Squaw Point, discussion held on setbacks on points of land for a project being planned. *On hold.*
- A Monson, rural, requesting a document in order to obtain a business license for a "restoration/body shop"; board agreed that a Conditional Use Permit at \$25 would suffice.
- *Motion by Vern to approve the permits not on hold, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Michael. VOTE- 5 YES = CARRIED.*

**OLD (Unfinished) ZONING BUSINESS:**

1. **Follow-up Related to Request for Fence Placement – Benson/Whiskey Bay:** Benson would like the bunkhouse moved off his property line before placing the desired fences, Tim will work with him on the fences. Mike has addressed issues with Romfo, will work together to get issues straightened out related to the bunkhouse, wall and add-on to the house. Mike added that the culvert project to address a drainage issue is still in the works.
2. **Off-Site Meeting to Observe and Consider Options for Improvements-Schmidt/Lot 27 LkMetPark:** Kelly Peach reported he has removed 4' on one side as requested and said the owners now plan to add 3' to the other side. Board agreed to have two supervisors and Tim meet there to check on progress and see the plan being proposed that will bring the site into compliance. Peach was reminded of the need for drawings of the plan prior to permit approval.
3. **Mobile Unit on Golf Course Property/M Holm – to be monitored for use:** Vern noted the site has a 100 gallon propane tank and two RV trailers. Holm told Mike H he would not be doing any trapping. Board agreed Holm needs to apply for RV permits – one for last year's use at \$75 and for this year at \$50.
4. **2024 RV Permit Renewals – Update:** Mark reported 72 RV Conditional Use Permits have been issued at \$50

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with 18 storage RVs at no charge. Twelve renewals have not responded but three of these did not have RVs on site this year.

5. **Consider Issues Related to Short Term Rental (STR) Options Offered Locally:** Information will continue to be pursued based on how STRs are being addressed in other areas.
6. **Deputy Clerk/Offsite Storage & Meeting Space:** Nothing new to report at this time other than information is on the website.

**NEW ZONING BUSINESS:**

1. **Added: County Request for Funding Assistance to Replace Fence at Hoffas Park/Narrows:** After discussion, board agreed to hold off on donating to share in the cost of the fence, in consideration of what the township annually provides to the county in taxes.

**GENERAL MEETING called to order at 7:55 p.m.**

**OLD (Unfinished) GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. **Burnetts Rd/Fritel – Progress Update:** Timing for the road regrade isn't currently known. The Forest Service has approved for the township to clear right of ways as needed on township roads along their properties.
2. **Road Issue Updates:**
  - **Cabin Roads:** Currently appear OK.
  - **Rural Roads:** David reported some tree removal is being done for sight clearing on the Svingen Road and Townline Road corners.
3. **Mower/Tractor Updates:** A tractor tire blowout happened near the fire station, Haas Tire responded with a replacement and will check on warranty information.

**NEW GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. **Road at Larson Addition/North Loon Lake – David T:** Not addressed since the requestor was not in attendance.
2. **Address Abatement Request for Disabled Veterans Credit/B Kornkven:** The county is now asking for township approval on abatement applications although the form indicates approval is already in place and up to now it has been a county decision. After discussion, *MOTION by Michael to approve the Abatement Request for Robert Kornkven Living Trust for 2023 and 2024. FAILED for lack of a 2<sup>nd</sup>.* Clerk will return the form noting the failed motion.
3. **ADDED: Query on Preliminary Plans for Development – G Bohl/Former School Property on E Lake Loop Rd:** Gayle Bohl reported on progress to date for future development; discussion noted road preparation needed before acceptance as public road, and that setbacks for the school building would be grandfathered for potential uses. Bohl questioned whether to use Outlots as recommended by G Buzzard at Wolds versus developing a Plat. [*NOTE-Post-meeting, Clerk said recent development of Cobb Addition Loon Lake was prepared as Outlots.*]
4. **Address Comments from Budget Hearing:** *MOTION by Vern to approve the budget as presented with no changes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David. VOTE – 5 YES = CARRIED.*

**REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE:** Grassroots Report Summer 2024 received (see if Luke A has been added).

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Next board meeting is Monday, October 14.

Glenore Gross, Clerk/Treasurer