

December 17, 2013

The Holland Township Committee met on the above date at the Holland Township Municipal Building, 61 Church Road, Milford, N.J. at 7:00 p.m.

Present at this meeting were: Mayor Daniel Bush, Deputy Mayor Anthony Roselle, Committeemen Kenneth Vogel, and Ray Krov. Committeeman Thomas Scheibener was absent. Also present was Attorney Richard Cushing.

There being a quorum this meeting was called to order by Mayor Bush at 7:05 p.m. Mr. Bush asked that all electronic equipment be turned off or silenced.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Bush invited the audience to join the Committee in reciting the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT

Clerk Miller announced publicly at the commencement of this meeting the following statement: Adequate notice of this meeting was given pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act Law by the Township Clerk on December 20, 2012 by:

1. Posting such notice on the bulletin board at the municipal building and the Holland Township website.
2. Mailing the same to the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Express-Times.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Vogel moved and Mr. Roselle seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the November 26, 2013 Regular Meeting and Executive Session

Voice Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

APPROVAL OF BILLS AS SUBMITTED

Mr. Vogel moved and Mr. Roselle seconded the motion to approve the bills as follows:

Mr. Vogel asked what was happening with the recycling cans and the two employees who signed off on them. Mr. Krov advised that these items were purchased out of the grant funds and the cans have been disbursed to the RRCC and the Fire House. Mr. Krov advised that the personnel part of the purchase cannot be discussed.

Mr. Vogel advised that these funds could have been used for salaries and emergency equipment.

Mayor Bush advised that he has received a report, that he is dealing with the issue and that these funds could only be used for Clean Communities qualified products.

Check#	Vendor	Description	Payment	Total Check
CLEARING ACCOUNT				
14719	ALAN J. TURDO	2013 Clothing Allowance	150.00	150.00
14720	ALFONS MAYER	Mileage	20.35	20.35
14721	ALLIED OIL, LLC	Gasoline	478.54	478.54
14722	AQUA NEW JERSEY	Water-Hydrants	319.84	319.84
14723	ASSOCIATED MAILING & PRINTING	Printing/Mailing of Dog & Recycling	988.10	
		Printing/Mailing of Dog & Recycling	494.05	1,482.15
14724	BINKLEY & HURST, LP	Flail Mower Parts	132.93	132.93
14725	BRIDGE STREET SERVICE CENTER	Vehicle Maintenance	2,561.89	
		Vehicle Maintenance	149.42	2,711.31
14726	BUSCH SYSTEMS INT'L INC	Recycling Containers	10,922.01	10,922.01
		NJLM - Reimbursement for lunch	27.32	
14727	CATHERINE M. MILLER	Mileage	44.00	71.32
		Ice Melt	447.30	447.30
14729	CLEMENS UNIFORM	Mat Service	50.00	50.00

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14730	DAVIS BUSINESS MACHINES, INC.	Copy Machine	217.85	
		Copy Machine	77.00	294.85
14731	DEER CARCASS REMOVAL SERVICE, LLC	Deer Carcass Removal -	232.00	232.00
14732	DEMETRIO MOTTA	Refund for Background	41.00	41.00
14733	DUTCH MILL MARKET	CERT Meeting	33.54	33.54
14734	EUGENIA FRANZO	Zumba November	310.80	310.80
14735	EVA VELEZ	Yoga November 2013	617.20	617.20
14736	FEDERAL EXPRESS	Drill Return	58.09	58.09
14737	FINCH FUEL OIL CO, INC	Heating Oil/Diesel	1,574.50	1,574.50
14738	FLEMINGTON DEPARTMENT STORE	George Mazur 2013 Shoes	144.95	144.95
14739	GEORGE MAZUR	2013 Safety Glasses - G	300.00	300.00
14740	GRAINGER	Grease Gun & Battery	526.05	526.05
14741	GROUP MELVIN DESIGN	PB HC Task 3 MPE & ERI	2,708.50	2,708.50
14742	GTM TURF MANAGEMENT	winterize case filed &	680.00	680.00
14743	GYM SOURCE	Seated Octane	3,925.00	3,925.00
14744	HALECON, INC.	RRCC Multi-Use Court	74,040.15	74,040.15
14745	HOLLAND ELECTRIC, INC.	Electrical Repairs on M	564.05	564.05
14746	HOLLAND TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY SENIORS	Seniors Recycling	225.00	225.00
14747	HOLLAND TOWNSHIP SEWER COLLECTOR	4th Qrt, 2013 Sewer-Bui	202.50	202.50
14748	HOLLAND TWP VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY	2013 Oktoberfest	1,328.90	1,328.90
14749	HUNTERDON LAND TRUST ALLIANCE	Appraisals on Silva	1,275.00	1,275.00
14750	J C CLEANERS	Dry-cleaning - November	216.35	216.35
14751	JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT	Electricity	4.88	
		Electricity	787.14	792.02
14752	JESSICA NEGLIA	Supplies	93.57	
		Constant Contact	50.00	143.57
14753	LANDS' END BUSINESS OUTFITTERS	Staff Uniforms	327.95	327.95
14754	LOUISE FLEMING	Refund for Cancelled Gy	10.00	10.00
14755	LUCILLE A. GROZINSKI	PB court reporter Dec 9	225.00	225.00
14756	MARIA ELENA JENNETTE KOZAK	POB/BOA mile reimbursement	46.20	46.20
14757	MASER CONSULTING PA	Engineering	227.50	
		Engineering	2,546.25	
		Engineering	2,356.25	5,130.00
14758	MELANIE WOROB	Zumba November 2013	286.00	286.00
14759	MEZZA LUNA PIZZA	CERT Shelter Exercise	180.00	180.00
14760	MONINGHOFF APPLIANCE & SUPPLY CORP.	Paint Supplies for CERT	58.82	58.82
14761	MR. JOHN, INC.	Rest Rooms	168.87	168.87
14762	MSC INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO.	Flashlights for Trucks	1,482.50	1,482.50
14763	NET VENTURES CORP.	December Payment	434.00	434.00
14764	NJ DEPT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SERVICES	Monthly Dog License Rep	4.80	4.80
14765	NJN PUBLISHING	Advertising	259.47	259.47
14766	PILATES BY CORRINE, LLC	Pilates November 2013	222.00	222.00
14767	R & L DATACENTERS, INC.	PAYROLL PROCESSING		
		JUNE	2,824.84	2,824.84
14768	RARITAN VALLEY DISPOSAL #865	30 Yard Garbage Dumpster	1,020.00	1,020.00
14769	SAMZIE'S UNIFORMS	CERT Jackets	5,129.64	5,129.64
14770	SANICO, INC.	Garbage	129.95	129.95
14771	SARAH PARKER-GIVENS	Yoga November 2013	385.00	385.00
14772	SERVICE ELECTRIC CABLE TV, INC.	Cable	59.95	59.95
14773	STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE	Staples	141.92	
		member Appreciation Day	351.82	
		Office Supplies	871.87	1,365.61
14774	STEM BROTHERS, INC.	Heating Oil	6.69	
		Heater Repairs at Libra	359.25	
		Heating Oil	67.25	433.19
14775	TAD J DABROWSKI	Refund for Tax Sale	362.34	362.34
14776	US BANK CUSTODIAN/PRO CAPITAL III	Refund for Tax Sale	20,237.34	20,237.34
14777	US BANK CUSTODIAN/SASS MUNI VI	Refund for Tax Sale	47,142.90	47,142.90
14778	US BANK-CUST/PRO CAPITAL 1 LLC	Refund for Tax Sale	22,973.59	22,973.59
14779	VALLEY AUTO SUPPLY	Anti-Freeze	74.94	
		Filters & Hydraulic Fit	25.56	100.50
14780	VERIZON	Telephone	29.17	
		Telephone	1,911.02	1,940.19
14781	VERIZON WIRELESS	Cell Phones and Air Car	541.49	
		Cell Phones and Air Car	38.01	579.50
14782	VIKING TERMITE & PEST CONTROL, INC.	Pest Service	413.00	413.00
14783	WASTE MANAGEMENT OF NEW JERSEY, INC	Recycling Dumpster @ Ho	363.45	363.45
				<u>221,316.37</u>

ESCROW ACCOUNT

5707	129 - LAW OFFICE OF TODD BOLIG,	BOA Garden Solar LLC B6 L 48.02 wes	225.00	225.00
5708	1264 - MASER CONSULTING PA	PB Huntington Knolls B24 L 3 13 110	1,332.50	1,332.50
5709	264 - MORROW & MORROW, LLP	PB Huntington Knolls B 24 L 13 ongo	609.00	609.00
5710	264 - MORROW & MORROW, LLP	PB Huntington Knolls B24 L 3 13 ong	638.00	638.00
5711	264 - MORROW & MORROW, LLP	PB Yowell B 13 L 3.01 November bill	101.50	101.50
	TOTAL			<u>2,906.00</u>

CURRENT FUND			
BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION RESERVES	121,720.30		
GRANT FUND			
BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION RESERVES	1,492.52		
GENERAL CAPITAL FUNDS			
BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION RESERVES	81,786.40		
SEWER FUND			
BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION RESERVES	34.05		
SEWER CAPITAL			
BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION RESERVES	2,356.25		
ANIMAL CONTROL			
BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION RESERVES	498.85		
ESCROW			
ESCROW FUNDS	2,906.00		
HOUSING REHAB			
GRANTS			
COAH			
Developer Fees			
TOTAL CHECKS ISSUED			210,794.37
Other disbursements			-
guardian dental ins	2,782.35		
postage	885.05		
			3,667.40
			214,461.77

Voice Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

REMINDER-

-Mayor Bush announced that this week the Holland Township Volunteer Fire Co is driving Santa and Mrs. Claus around Holland Township neighborhoods starting at 6:00p.m. through Friday, December 20. Check the Holland Township Volunteer Fire Company’s website at www.hollandfire.org for his schedule.

OLD BUSINESS FROM TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

-RESOLUTION- Compensation for unused Vacation Time
 This issue was tabled at the December 3, 2103 meeting giving Mr. Vogel time to review the employee attendance report for one employee
 Mr. Roselle moved and Mr. Krov seconded the motion to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION
 Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Compensate Employees for Unused
 Vacation Time

WHEREAS; according to page 26, of the current Holland Township Employee Handbook adopted on April 1, 2008 an employee may request payment for unused vacation up to 50% of the days the employee is entitled to in that given year; and

WHEREAS, a request for such compensation must be submitted to the Municipal Clerk no later than December 1st for consideration by the Township Committee at the first Township Committee meeting in December; and

WHEREAS, the following employees have submitted such a request for their 2012 unused vacation time:

- John Harris-compensation in pay for 10 unused vacation days
- Alan Turdo compensation in pay for 12 ½ unused vacation days
- Linda Moser compensation in pay for 5 unused vacation days

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Holland, in the County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey that Chief Financial Officer is

authorized to compensate the above mentioned employees for unused 2012 Vacation Time as requested.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-RESOLUTION-Carry Over of unused vacation time

Mr. Roselle moved and Mr. Vogel seconded the motion to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION

Authorization to carry over unused vacation time

WHEREAS; according to page 26, of the current Holland Township Employee Handbook adopted on April 1, 2008 an employee may request to carry over, to the next year, up to 5 unused vacation days, and

WHEREAS, the following employee has submitted such a request for her 2013 unused vacation time:

- Colleen Pursell-carry over 5 unused 2013 vacation days to 2014, and

WHEREAS, according to the Employee Handbook, these carried over days must be used in 2014 before any of the 2014 personal days are used, and

WHEREAS, the Employee Handbook further states these carried over vacation days must be used before March 31, 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Holland, in the County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey that they approve the above 5 unused 2013 vacation days to be carried over to 2014.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-ORDINANCE 2013-12- Public Hearing/Final Adoption-Conveyance of B6 L1.03 to Hunterdon Land Trust and back to Holland Township

Mr. Roselle moved and Mr. Vogel seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance 2013-12 on Final Reading

Mayor Bush opened the Public Hearing and asked for comments from the public-

- Bernadette Mackow-questioned the use of this property
- Adam Mackow-asked if hunting would be allowed
- Ted Harwick-advised that he would also like to hunt the property and that he hasn't been able to join Farmer's Sportsman Club

After hearing public comments, Mayor Bush ordered the Public Hearing closed

ORDINANCE 2013-12

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF A TWENTY PERCENT INTEREST AS TENANT IN COMMON IN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 6, LOT 1.03, TO HUNTERDON LAND TRUST AND THE RE-ACQUISITION OF SUCH TWENTY PERCENT INTEREST BY THIS TOWNSHIP FROM HUNTERDON LAND TRUST, FACILITATING THE COMPLETION OF A GRANT FROM THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON

WHEREAS, this Township has been awarded a grant from the County of Hunterdon to be applied toward the acquisition cost of real property in the Township known as Block 6, Lot 1.03 [the "Property"], formerly owned by the Diocese of Metuchen; and

WHEREAS, such grant, pursuant to an application previously made by this Township, has now been approved by the County under its Cooperative Open Space Acquisition Assistance Program, a Program which involves a municipality cooperating in open space acquisition with a qualified non-profit organization engaged in land preservation; and

WHEREAS, Hunterdon Land Trust is a non-profit corporation, qualified for tax exemption under I.R.C. §501 (c) (3) and qualified to be conveyed property under N. J. S.A. 40A:12-21, engaged in land preservation and whose purposes as stated in its bylaws include education; and this Township has worked with and received assistance in its acquisition of the Property from Hunterdon Land Trust; and

WHEREAS, the procedures of the County’s Cooperative Open Space Acquisition Assistance Program require that the participating non-profit organization have held an ownership interest in the property being assisted; and

WHEREAS, State law, including N. J. S. A. 40:12-21 (k) and N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.10, authorizes this Township to make the conveyance of an ownership interest stated below in this Ordinance and to re-acquire such interest; and such transactions will enable the Township to receive the grant monies awarded pursuant to the aforesaid County Program;

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Holland, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION ONE: This Township is hereby authorized to convey to Hunterdon Land Trust, a New Jersey non-profit corporation, an undivided twenty percent (20%) interest as tenant in common with this Township in and to the Property (known as Lot 1.03 in Block 6 on the Tax Map of this Township); said conveyance to be made pursuant to a contract entered between Hunterdon Land Trust and this Township, and upon terms and conditions required by N.J.S.A. 40A:12-21 and upon condition that Hunterdon Land Trust reconvey said interest to this Township as required by said contract. The said transactions are to be made for no monetary consideration, but made by this Township to Hunterdon Land Trust in consideration of the assistance given this Township in initially acquiring the Property and in obtaining the above-mentioned grant.

SECTION TWO: This Township is also hereby authorized to re-acquire said twenty percent (20%) interest in the Property from Hunterdon Land Trust, said interest to be of the same quality of title as that conveyed by the Township to Hunterdon Land Trust.

SECTION THREE: The Mayor, Clerk, and Chief Financial Officer, and other proper officials of this Township are hereby authorized to take all actions necessary and proper to consummate the foregoing transactions; and all actions heretofore taken by said officials of this Township in pursuance of said transactions are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

SECTION FOUR: The period of usefulness of the acquisition of real property as defined by N.J.S.A. 40A:2-22, is at least 5 years. Since there is no monetary consideration involved in these transactions there is no amendment to be made to the Township’s capital budget.

SECTION FIVE: The gross debt of the Township of Holland, as defined by N.J.S.A. 40A:2-43 will not be increased by this ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by said Township Committee that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its publication, following final adoption, as provided by law.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-ORDINANCE 2013-13-Public Hearing/Final Adoption-Foreclosed Property to County and State
Mr. Vogel moved and Mr. Roselle seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance 2013-13 on Final Reading

**Mayor Bush opened the Public Hearing and asked for comments from the public-
There being no public comment, Mayor Bush ordered the Public Hearing closed**

ORDINANCE 2013-13

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOLLAND AUTHORIZING THE SALE
OF CERTAIN LANDS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF
HOLLAND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF
N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13 (a) AND (b); AND N.J.S.A. 40a:12-13.4**

WHEREAS, the Township of Holland is the owner of Block 6, Lot 66; Block 22, Lot 65; Block 22, Lot 90; Block 24, Lot 8; and Block 24, Lot 9; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee has determined that the aforementioned properties are not needed for municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Township Committee to convey Block 6, Lot 66 to the County of Hunterdon for nominal consideration in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.4; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey owns property contiguous to Block 22, Lot 65; Block 22, Lot 90; Block 24, Lot 8; and Block 24, Lot 9; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b)(1), it is the desire of the Mayor and Township Committee to convey Lot 66; Block 22, Lot 65; Block 22, Lot 90; Block 24, Lot 8; and Block 24, Lot 9 to the State of New Jersey for consideration not less than the fair market value to be determined by the Tax Assessor or an appraisal submitted by the State of New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Holland, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that:

SECTION 1. That the governing body does hereby authorize the Tax Assessor to determine the fair market value of Block 6, Lot 66; Block 22, Lot 65; Block 22, Lot 90; Block 24, Lot 8; and Block 24, Lot 9.

SECTION 2. That the governing body does hereby authorize the Township of Holland to convey, for consideration, which may be nominal, Block 6, Lot 66 to the County of Hunterdon. The conveyance is to be made subject to the limitation that the County of Hunterdon will use the property only for public purposes in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.4. If the property is not used in accordance with this limitation, the title thereto shall revert to the Township of Holland, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.4, without any entry or reentry made thereon on behalf of the Township.

SECTION 3. That the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents to transfer title to Block 6, Lot 66 by Quitclaim Deed to the County of Hunterdon. The County of Hunterdon shall be responsible for the payment of the Township's costs in conveying said properties.

SECTION 4. That, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b)(1), the governing body does hereby authorize a member of the governing body to contact a representative of the State of New Jersey regarding purchase of Block 22, Lot 65; Block 22, Lot 90; Block 24, Lot 8; and Block 24, Lot 9.

SECTION 5. That, in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b)(1), the governing body does hereby authorize the sale of Block 22, Lot 65; Block 22, Lot 90; Block 24, Lot 8; and Block 24, Lot 9, to the State of New Jersey for amounts no less than the fair market values as determined by the Tax Assessor or an appraisal submitted by the State of New Jersey.

SECTION 6. That the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents to transfer title to said properties (Block 22, Lot 65; Block 22, Lot 90; Block 24, Lot 8; and Block 24, Lot 9) by Quitclaim Deeds to the State of New Jersey for amounts no less than the fair market values or those stated in appraisals submitted by the State of New Jersey as determined by the Tax Assessor. The State of New Jersey shall be responsible for the payment of the Township's costs in conveying said properties as permitted under the rules and regulations of the Green Acres Program. A requirement of the transfer of the property is that it be consolidated with the adjoining property owned by the State of New Jersey.

SECTION 7. That, if the State of New Jersey or the County of Hunterdon are not interested in purchasing the aforementioned properties, the governing body does hereby authorize such property to be sold at public sale by way of auction to the highest bidder in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(a)

SECTION 8. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately after publication following final passage in accordance with law.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-ORDINANCE 2013-14-Public Hearing/Final Adoption- Foreclosed Property to adjacent land owner

Mr. Vogel moved and Mr. Krov seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance 2013-14 on Final Reading

Mayor Bush opened the Public Hearing and asked for comments from the public- There being no public comment, Mayor Bush ordered the Public Hearing closed

ORDINANCE 2013-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOLLAND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN LANDS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF HOLLAND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b) AND N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.2

WHEREAS, the Township of Holland is the owner of Block 3, Lot 75; Block 3, Lot 76; Block 3, Lot 77; Block 15, Lot 20; and Block 25, Lot 113, which are an undersized lots under the current ordinances of the Township; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Township Committee to sell said properties for not less than the fair market value, to be determined by the Tax Assessor; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b)(2), the Township is authorized to sell real property, not needed for public use, at private sale to a person submitting a bid pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(a); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.2 requires the Township to first offer said property to the adjoining property owners for purchase; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b)(5) provides that when there is more than one property owner with real property contiguous thereto, said property shall be sold to the highest bidder from all such owners, with the sale price being not less than the fair market value; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b)(5) provides for the authorization of said purchase of property by ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Holland, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that:

SECTION 1. That, in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.2, the governing body does hereby authorize the Tax Assessor to determine the fair market value of Block 3, Lot 75; Block 3, Lot 76; Block 3, Lot 77; Block 15, Lot 20; and Block 25, Lot 113.

SECTION 2. That, in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.2, the governing body does hereby authorize the Tax Assessor to send letters to the adjoining property owners of Block 3, Lot 75; Block 3, Lot 76; Block 3, Lot 77; Block 15, Lot 20; and Block 25, Lot 113 asking if they are interested in purchasing the adjoining properties or, in the case where a property has more than one adjoining property owner, interested in placing a bid to purchase such property.

SECTION 3. That, in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b)(5), the governing body does hereby authorize the sale of Block 3, Lot 75; Block 3, Lot 76; Block 3, Lot 77; Block 15, Lot 20; and Block 25, Lot 113, to the adjoining property owners (or highest bidder where applicable) for amounts no less than the fair market values as determined by the Tax Assessor.

SECTION 4. That the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents to transfer title to said properties (Block 3, Lot 75; Block 3, Lot 76; Block 3, Lot 77; Block 15, Lot 20; and Block 25, Lot 113) by Quitclaim Deeds to the adjoining property owners (or highest bidder where applicable) for amounts no less than the fair market values as determined by the Tax Assessor. The purchasers shall be responsible for the payment of the Township’s costs in conveying said properties. A requirement of the transfer of the property is that it be consolidated with the adjoining property owned by the purchaser.

SECTION 5. That, if the adjoining property owners are not interested in purchasing the aforementioned properties for amounts not less than the fair market values, the governing body does hereby authorize such property to be sold at public sale by way of auction to the highest bidder in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(a)

SECTION 6. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately after publication following final passage in accordance with law.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

LIAISON REPORTS

Krov-

-Foreclosed properties-Letters received from the State indicating they are interested in the properties that adjoin NJDEP properties and will make an offer

-Recycling flier should be out in the mail this week-which includes the shred dates

Vogel-

-Questioned the need to advertise Halloween-Clerk Miller advised that this advertisement states the official Trick or Treat night but, more importantly, it states that the Township Committee has instituted a temporary curfew. She stated she had asked Attorney Cushing to look into the statutory requirements to advertise a temporary curfew. Mr. Cushing advised that he did not want to expend fees until the Township Committee had authorized him to do so.

Mayor Bush asked Attorney Cushing to look into the statutory requirements of publishing temporary curfews.

-Amendments to new personnel policy-carry over of vacation time, time limit to use, Mr. Vogel will work with Mr. Krov to have the amendment out to the Committee so they have time to review it for the February 4, 2013 meeting.

Roselle-

-Time clock info-budgeted item and will be ordered

-Mr. Roselle and Mr. Krov have worked with Detective Gutsick on a cost analysis to hire 2 part time police officers for next year

Bush-

-The Township has been approved for a \$240,000 grant from the Hunterdon Land Trust that will be received for the purchase of Bethany Ridge and will be available once the deeds are received. –

We have also been notified that the Township has been granted a \$100,000 grant from the Victoria Foundation. This brings the total grants for the purchase of the Bethany Ridge property to just under \$1,000,000

NEW BUSINESS FROM TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

-Mayor reads letter received from Committeeman Tom Scheibener regarding his absence from 4 consecutive Township Committee meetings

Dear Committee and Residence of Holland Township,

I feel bad that this is the fourth meeting I missed in a row. Unfortunately I was sick one week, I was out of town on business one week, and had personal obligations I needed to attend to the two other two weeks.

In the past I rarely missed any meetings and feel moving into 2014 I will again be able to attend all meetings without having this type of extended absences.

*Truly,
Tom Scheibener*

-RESOLUTION-Excusing Committeeman Scheibener from 4 consecutive meetings in 2013
Mr. Vogel moved and Mr. Roselle seconded the motion to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION

Excusing Committeeman Scheibener from 4 consecutive meetings in 2013

WHEREAS, Mr. Thomas Scheibener, a member of this Township Committee, has been away and did not attend or participate in the Township Committee meetings held on November 6 and 26, and on December 3 and 17, all in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Scheibener has had a long and valued service to this Township as a member of this Township Committee;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Holland, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, that, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:16-3 g., the absence of attendance by Thomas Scheibener from the aforesaid consecutive meetings is hereby excused.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-Retirement letter received-from Book Keeper Ruth Kinney
Mayor Bush advised Ms. Kinney, who was in the audience, that she will be greatly missed.

Mr. Krov moved and Mr. Roselle seconded the motion to accept, with regret, the retirement letter received from Book Keeper Ruth Kinney effective December 31, 2013

Voice Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-Request for verification from Clerk Miller- Clerk Miller reviewed with the Committee some issues with the wording of the new Employee Handbook and requested formal clarification of items in the newly approved Employee Handbook. (Adopted November 6, 2013)

After discussion the consensus was Mr. Vogel and Mr. Krov will prepare a Resolution amending the Employee Handbook to be adopted at the Jan 1, 2014 Re-organizational meeting clarifying the issues Clerk Miller brought up, including:

- Adding additional category under vacation (5 weeks of vacation for employees employed 25 years and over) (page 35)
- Clarification of calculation of vacation; based on hours worked (page 35)
- Clarification of eligibility of sick and personal time for salaried part time employees hired prior to January 1, 2014 (page 37)

Clerk Miller was instructed to hand out the approved copy of the Handbook to all employees with the amendments to follow after adoption of the Resolution at the January 1, 2014 Re-organizational meeting.

-RESOLUTION-Authorizing Refund of Tax Sale Certificate:

Mr. Roselle moved and Mr. Vogel seconded the motion to adopt the following Resolution

RESOLUTION

Authorizing Refund of Tax Sale Certificate to an Outside Lienholder

WHEREAS, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 4, 2013, a lien was sold on Block 3 Lot 116, also known as 64 Ellis Rd, for 2012 taxes; and

WHEREAS, Wells Fargo Bank NA has redeemed Certificate No 2013-002.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Holland Township Committee, Township of Holland, County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer is directed to issue a check in the amount of \$20,237.34 payable to US Bank Custodian for Pro Capital III, 2 Liberty Place 50 South 16th St. Suite 1950 Philadelphia PA 19102 for the amount due on Tax Sale Certificate #2013-002.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-RESOLUTION-Authorizing Refund of Tax Sale Certificate:

Mr. Krov moved and Mr. Roselle seconded the motion to adopt the following Resolution

RESOLUTION

Authorizing Refund of Tax Sale Certificate to an Outside Lienholder

WHEREAS, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on September 28, 2011, a lien was sold on Block 22 Lot 58, also known as 199 Spring Garden Rd, for 2010 taxes; and

WHEREAS, Foundation Abstract LLC has redeemed Certificate No 2011-10.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Holland Township Committee, Township of Holland, County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer is directed to issue a check in the amount of \$47,142.90 payable to US Bank Custodian for SASS Muni V, 2 Liberty Place 50 South 16th St. Suite 1950 Philadelphia PA 19102 for the amount due on Tax Sale Certificate #2011-10

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-RESOLUTION-Authorizing Refund of Tax Sale Certificate:

Mr. Krov moved and Mr. Vogel seconded the motion to adopt the following Resolution

RESOLUTION

Authorizing Refund of Tax Sale Certificate to an Outside Lienholder

WHEREAS, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 4, 2013, a lien was sold on Block 3 Lot 41, also known as Myler Rd. for 2012 taxes; and

WHEREAS, the owner has redeemed Certificate No 2013-001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Holland Township Committee, Township of Holland, County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer is directed to issue a check in the amount of \$362.34 payable to Tad Dabrowski, 329 Durham Ave South Plainfield NJ 07080 for the amount due on **Tax Sale Certificate #2013-001**.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-RESOLUTION- Authorizing Refund of Tax Sale Certificate:
Mr. Roselle moved and Mr. Krov seconded the motion to adopt the following Resolution

RESOLUTION

Authorizing Refund of Tax Sale Certificate to an Outside Lienholder

WHEREAS, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 19, 2012, a lien was sold on Block 6 Lot 46 also known as 2 Millview Rd, for 2011 taxes; and

WHEREAS, Wells Fargo Bank NA has redeemed Certificate No 2012-01.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Holland Township Committee, Township of Holland, County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer is directed to issue a check in the amount of \$22,973.59 payable to US Bank Custodian for Pro Capital I, 2 Liberty Place 50 South 16th St. Suite 1950 Philadelphia PA 19102 for the amount due on Tax Sale Certificate #2012.01.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-RESOLUTION- Authorizing the Cancellation of 2013 Tax on recently acquired properties
Mr. Krov moved and Mr. Roselle seconded the motion to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Cancellation of 2013 Taxes

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee, Township of Holland, County of Hunterdon in the state of New Jersey that the Chief Financial Officer is directed to cancel 2013 taxes on the following properties recently acquired by Holland Township:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Qualification</u>	<u>Amount</u>
6	1.02	Q0021	83.41
6	1.03	Q0021	97.48
6	1.34		1,212.50

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-RESOLUTION-Renewing approval to submit an Application for Participation in the Local Government Energy Audit Program
 Mr. Krov moved and Mr. Roselle seconded the motion to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION
 Local Government Energy Audit

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, Office of Clean Energy administers the Local Government Energy Audit Program (Program), an incentive program to assist local government agencies to conduct energy audits and to encourage implementation of energy conservation measures; and,

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2015 the Governing Body of the Township of Holland approves the submission of an Application for Participation in the Local Government Energy Audit Program of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

WHEREAS, the facilities to be audited are in New Jersey, are owned by the Township of Holland, are served by a New Jersey regulated public utility, and that the Township of Holland has not already reserved \$100,000 in the Program this year as of this application; and,

WHEREAS, it is acknowledged that acceptance into the Program is dependent on the Scope of Work and cost proposal, and that Program rules will have to be met in order to receive incentive funds; and

WHEREAS, upon acceptance into the Program, the Township of Holland will prepare Facility Data Forms and Scopes of Work for each facility to be audited, solicit quotations from the authorized contractors, and submit the Firm Selection Form; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Holland understands that energy audit work cannot proceed until an Application Approval Notice is received from the Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee, Township of Holland, County of Hunterdon in the State of New Jersey, renews their interest in submitting an Application for Participation in the Local Government Energy Audit Program of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-RESOLUTION-Reduction of hours-
 Mr. Vogel moved and Mr. Roselle seconded the motion to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION
 Reducing the hours of the current
 Deputy Municipal Clerk/Deputy Registrar/Dog Licensing Official

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2008 full time Deputy Municipal Clerk/Deputy Registrar Melissa Tigar accepted the position as fulltime Holland Township Zoning Officer and resigned from her Deputy Clerk/Deputy Registrar position, and

WHEREAS, effective May 1, 2008-May 31, 2008, Linda L. Moser was appointed to a part-time secretarial position training as Deputy Municipal Clerk at an hourly rate, and

WHEREAS, Linda L. Moser was appointed as part-time Deputy Municipal Clerk effective June 1, 2008 working Monday through Friday 9:00 am-3:00 pm; and

WHEREAS, on November 21, 2008 Ms. Moser obtained her Registrars Certification, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Moser was reappointed as Deputy Clerk at the 2009 and 2010 Re-organizational meetings; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2010 the Holland Township Committee determined that there was a sufficient work load to increase this position back to full-time (37 ½ hours/week Monday through Friday), with eligibility for health benefits, paid vacation and sick time; and

WHEREAS, on August 23, 2012, Ms. Moser went out on disability, and

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2013 the Holland Township Committee reduced the hours for Ms. Moser to 27 ½ hours per week scheduled to work Monday through Friday 9:00 am-3:00 pm, without eligibility for health benefits, but keeping paid holiday and sick time, and

WHEREAS, effective upon her return from disability, on March 4, 2013, Ms. Moser was appointed as Holland Township Dog Licensing Official with no addition compensation, and

WHEREAS, the Holland Township Committee has now determined that an additional reduction in the hours of this position is necessary in order to reduce costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Holland Township Committee, Township of Holland, County of Hunterdon in the state of New Jersey, that the hours of Deputy Clerk/Deputy Registrar/Dog Licensing Official, Linda L. Moser will be reduced to 20 hours per week, working Monday through Friday 8:00 am-12:00 pm, continuing to receive paid holiday, vacation and sick time, effective January 1, 2014.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

RESOLUTION-to hire Front Desk help at Riegel Ridge Community Center
Mr. Roselle moved and Mr. Krov seconded the motion to Table this Resolution giving Mr. Roselle time to meet with the Recycling Coordinator and the Director of Parks and Recreation for additional information.

RESOLUTION

Authorization to hire Trish Patrey as part time
Front Desk Help at Riegel Ridge Community Center

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Holland is in need of Front Desk Help at the Riegel Ridge Community Center, and

WHEREAS, according to the Chief Financial Officer, there are sufficient funds available in the General Operations Municipal budget to pay for this employee, and

WHEREAS, this employee will be hired as an “at will” 12 month part-time employee, with a six months initial probationary period, starting as of the date of hire; and

WHEREAS, this employee will be required to wear a uniform prescribed by the Township, portions of which will be furnished by the Township and portions will be furnished by the employee; and

WHEREAS, this employee will report directly to the Director of Parks and Recreation, and

WHEREAS, this employee will be required to attend and pass all required training; and

WHEREAS, this employee currently works at the Holland Township Recycling Center 7-13 hours/week, and

WHEREAS this employee also currently works at the Riegel Ridge Community Center in the Child Watch Room up to 15 hours/week, and

WHEREAS, this employee submitted to background check in 2012 when she began her position as Child Watch Employee, and

WHEREAS, the Director of Parks and Recreation wishes to change the Child Watch hours to 18 hrs./week and to hire Ms. Patrey as part-time front desk help for no more than 6 hours/week.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Holland Township Committee, Township of Holland, County of Hunterdon in the State of New Jersey, that Trish Patrey will be scheduled to work up to 18 hours/week as Child Watch Employee at her 2013 rate of **\$8.50** per/hr. effective December 17, 2013.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Trish Patrey will be hired to work up to 6 hours/week as Riegel Ridge Community Center Front Desk Help at the 2013/2014 rate of **\$8.50** per/hr., effective December 4, 2013.

Voice Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-RESOLUTION- Cancellation of Balances

Mr. Krov moved and Mr. Vogel seconded the motion to adopt the following Resolution

RESOLUTION
Canceling Balances

WHEREAS, there exist on the books and record of various funds of the Township of Holland certain balances that after review by the Chief Financial Officer it has been determined that said balances should be cancelled.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee, Township of Holland, County of Hunterdon, and State of New Jersey that the following balances should be cancelled:

NJ HISTORICAL PRESERVATION FUND		
Grant Receivable		229,366.49
Grant Receivable		125,000.00
Reserve for Historical Preservation		270,022.74
Due to Grant Fund		84,343.75
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS FUND		
Receivables		
Interfund NJ Historical Pres. Fund	84,343.75	
Grants Receivable		28.92
Appropriations		
DWI 2011 Grant		28.92

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

-Requests for Proposal for banking services-

Mr. Krov moved and Mr. Vogel seconded the motion to Authorize CFO Rees to solicit Requests for Proposals for banking services

Roll Call Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

BUSINESS FROM TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY

-none

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC

-Alfons Mayer-asked clarification of benefits for hourly employees (part time and full time)

-Department of Public Works Superintendent and Certified Recycling Coordinator, Alan Turdo-read the following letter:

“Good evening Ladies and gentlemen. My name is Alan Turdo, I am the Department of Public Works Superintendent and the Certified Recycling Coordinator for the Township of Holland.

Cathy, would you please put my comments in the minutes as a permanent record.

I listened to the tape from the Tuesday December 3, 2013 Holland Township Committee Meeting, where my job performance was discussed. As I did not receive a Rice Notice in advance that my job performance was to be discussed, I believe this is a violation of the Open Public Meetings Act. Had I known the discussion was going to take place, I would have elected to attend the meeting.

Aside from the legal violation and the misstatements that occurred during this discussion, on a personal level I am disgusted by the silence of the rest of the Committee during the discussion. Not only did you have a legal obligation to refrain from and end any discussion on an issue of job performance at a public meeting, you have an ongoing obligation as employers, as representatives, and as elected officials to set the record straight each and every time you sit behind that desk. I listened to an uninformed, inaccurate and highly skewed interpretation of the truth that attacked my job performance, my professional integrity, and my personal commitment to the Township to which I have given over 27 years of service. Then I listened to the three of you say nothing to clarify the record, despite all of you knowing the circumstances under which this purchase was made.

I have had several discussions with most of you regarding the extensive limitations of this grant money. I have had numerous discussions with the grant committee to try and find alternative ways to spend this money to the benefit of the town. This latest purchase was made in an attempt to keep the Township in good standing with the grant committee so we may continue to receive this grant in the future and thereby help the Township during a difficult fiscal time. Further, I went through every normal procedure that the Committee and the law require for purchases and submitted a requisition for signatures as I have done with every other purchase made.

Yet, to those sitting in the audience and to anyone listening to the recording, the statements made at the meeting left an impression that I, in my capacity as the recycling coordinator and department of Public Works Superintendent, deceitfully took \$11,000 of taxpayer money, went behind the backs of the Committee members, and spent it on recycling bins when the money could have been used toward employee salaries, equipment for the fire department, or supplies for the Community Center. This impression could not be further from the truth and yet, the four of you present at the meeting left it on the record as if it was accurate information.

As no vote or other action was taken during this discussion at the meeting, I can only conclude that the sole purpose of the person making the comments was to publicly bash my reputation in a feeble attempt to make himself appear fiscally responsible. The silence of the remaining Committee members can only be interpreted as agreement with the speaker on all accounts, to which I say, shame on all of you. I accept that the Committee may have disagreed with the purchase and how the Committee wishes to proceed with the purchased bins is up to you, but a simple conversation between me and my liaison on the issue would have sufficed.

Here are the actual statements from the meeting that were particularly inflammatory, as well as a list of the limitations for which the grant money in question can be used.

During the meeting Mr. Vogel had expressed his dissatisfaction that Garbage/Recycling cans had been purchased for the Fire house at a cost of almost \$11,000. In his statements he said:

And I Quote:

“Apparently there was a purchase order for, close to, \$11,000 for recycling bins that were supposed to go to the fire house. It was signed by Ruth, uh, ok’d by Ruth and ok’d by Alan Turdo, looks like here. Never came in front of this Committee.”

“\$11,000 and we’re talking about cutting back hours and were talking about everything else, and they’re buying garbage cans basically for \$11,000 it’s a total of, of uh, looks like to me there’s 6 cans.”

“I’m furious about this, I believe the two people to my right here are just as furious.”

“You know, \$11,000 we’ve been hassling about a water softener up at the community center that should have been put in 10 years ago for a few thousand dollars.”

“Tony’s been working on another project on the hand punch thing.”

“We talk about, like I said, cutting back hours and everything else. And they just blow \$11,000 on 7 garbage bins and without bringing to this Committee, I think it’s outrageous.”

“I think Tony has asked Alan to pick up a certain amount of them and try to return them. I think everyone should be returned. I don’t think this should ever, ever happen again and this money, if I’m not mistaken, this money could have been used for other things that you’ve been using it for, uh, you know, for the dumpsters. Just a terrible thing to be doing in this Township. You just can’t be doing that stuff, especially moving forward we should be much more careful and this is a bad situation. So I really hope Alan picked them up today. I really hope he’s going to try to return them and we have to instruct our employees that you just don’t do this stuff. It has to stop; it has to stop here and now.”

“They (the Firehouse) might, hopefully, depending on what happens with the county with the radios, they’re going to need money for radios, cause their changing all the radios and not giving us any money. There’s stuff up there, turnout gear, or whatever, this is ridiculous, we didn’t even know about it.”

End of quote.

Clean Communities Grant Requirements

How the monies are to be used:

Funds received during a calendar year must be utilized during the 18-month period beginning January 1st of that year and ending June 30th of the following year.

The monies are to be used for:

- 1. Litter cleanup and removal***
- 1. Education Programs to Promote Clean Communities***
- 2. Graffiti Abatement***
- 3. Enforcement of Local Anti-littering Laws***

III. ALLOWABLE COSTS

Entitlements may be used to defray expenses directly related to your Clean Communities program:

A. Litter Cleanup and Removal, including:

Salaries and fringe benefits for persons hired to cleanup and remove litter and for persons directly supervising them.

- Contributions to volunteer groups for community cleanup days or other authorized cleanups***
Contributions are limited to \$500 per volunteer group per event, location or roadway mile.
Volunteer groups are defined as: the Cub Scouts, Boy and/or Girl Scouts, church, school or civic groups and other similar organized groups.
- Materials and supplies used solely for a program of litter cleanup and removal, including trash bags, gloves and protective clothing.***

(next was taken from the question & answer section on line)

Are litter and recycling containers considered to be equipment?

No. Litter and recycling containers are considered to be materials and supplies. Likewise, gloves, bags, safety vests and safety kits are considered to be materials and supplies.

December 17, 2013

In a nut shell – the fact is that the \$11,000 came from the 2012 Clean Communities Grant and was spent according to the rules of the Clean Communities Counsel. The grant money cannot be spent on Fire Company Radios, turn out gear, a water softener for the Community Center, a hand punch thing or salaries of employees that are having their hours cut back...but it can be used for garbage/recycling cans.

I expect that the Township Committee will correct the record tonight, during this public meeting, as to the reasons behind the purchase and why it was made in good faith. I am also formally requesting a verbal apology from Mr. Vogel for the improper discussion at this meeting, as well as a written apology signed and dated by both Mr. Vogel & Mayor Bush to be given to Clerk Miller to be put in my personnel file clearing up the impression that I was involved in any wrong doing”

-Mr. Vogel stated that he has comments that he wants to be part of the minutes:

-Attorney Cushing asked Mr. Turdo if he wanted the responses to be held in open session or Executive Session-

-Mr. Turdo asked to have this discussion continued in open session

-Attorney Cushing: “It would make sense for the Committee to exercise some restraint with respect to the situation.”

-Mr. Vogel: “I’ll try to exercise as much as I can, but I’m a little bit mad because he’s saying I dragged his name through the mud, he just dragged my name through the mud. As an elected official, elected official of this township I have to look at all the bills that are in front of us. When bills, and I was looking through this and I had a copy of it, these things have to be signed off before things are ordered. They were not signed off, they were ordered before it was signed off on, and that’s a fact and that’s what I’m talking about. They should not have been ordered until they were signed off. The requisition was not signed off by Committee people, and it should have been and this was ordered before that and I have a right to find out about things like that as an elected official and if you can’t relate to that, I’m sorry. Don’t tell me I dragged you through mud, because I didn’t drag you through mud. I’m doing my job up here and every taxpayer in this township wants to know when we’re doing our job up here and I am doing my job by questioning bills just like I did at the beginning of the meeting about an electrician and everything else, so I will continue as long as I am here question bills and I’m not signing any apology, no way, shape or form.”

After back and forth discussion:

Attorney Cushing-“Let me just say, I wasn’t at the meeting and I didn’t listen to the tape. As a general rule we don’t get into personnel issues in public. On the other hand Committee members have a right to look at the process that’s going through and as I understand what Ken is saying here he’s saying look, maybe it was good idea or maybe it was a bad idea to purchase the garbage cans, but the purchase has to be done through the purchasing process. As I understand the purchasing process, normally there has to be a voucher that has to be approved by the Township Committee before things can be purchased. Now, a Committeeman has every right to bring up discussions publicly about public issues. I don’t think, Alan, from what I heard you read that Ken was really aiming at you. I think he was saying maybe the process wasn’t followed as closely as it should have been followed and as a result Ken was disturbed about that. Maybe he shouldn’t have mentioned your name, maybe he should-we could debate that back and forth. There was no Open Public Meetings Act violation; it’s not a violation of that act. The Rice Notice only comes to the question of whether or not somebody is going to be discussed in an Executive Session. That’s the purpose of a Rice Notice.

My own view, I understand where both of you are coming from. You’ve made your point very powerfully. Both of you are pretty mad, people have to work together. These guys make the decisions in the Township. I understand that your reputation is important. I think there’s a back and forth here more having to do with the process. Ken maybe didn’t know about the fact that you can’t purchase radios, but he certainly has a right as a committeeman to bring up issues having to do with financial issues.

I will tell you that he probably shouldn’t have mentioned your name, that’s probably correct. And if it was an issue having to do with your performance, you should have been given a Rice Notice. It should have been done through a Rice Notice and an Executive Session if you chose to do it that way.

The bottom line is you guys all have got to get together, got to live together, you've got to run the township. Ken doesn't want to give an apology...you want one...you're mad...he's mad. I think we move on to other subjects here. Everybody made their point and I don't think we're really going to be able to move beyond this at this point in time. Let it cool down over the holidays and maybe people will have a slightly different view in the new year.

Mr. Turdo thanked the Committee and took his seat.

-Ted Harwick-questioned what check # 14744 was for—Mayor Bush advised that was for the multi-use basketball court

EXECUTIVE SESSION-

-RESOLUTION-

Mr. Roselle moved and Mr. Krov seconded the motion to adopt the following Resolution at 8:42 noting that no action will not be taken when the Township Committee returns to Open Session:

RESOLUTION

Entering into Executive Session

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P. L. 1975, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Holland, that the public shall be excluded from discussion of the following matter(s):

- Personnel

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Minutes will be kept on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office, and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes shall be made public. This Resolution will take effect immediately.

Voice Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

The Committee returned to Open Session-at 9:00

ADJOURN

Mr. Krov moved and Mr. Roselle seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:00 pm

Voice Vote	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Ray Krov	x			
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor	x			
Thomas Scheibener				x
Kenneth Vogel	x			
Dan Bush, Mayor	x			

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by,

Catherine M. Miller, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Daniel T. Bush, Mayor
Anthony Roselle, Deputy Mayor