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RESOLUTION #34

Motion made by Councilman Kolacki and seconded by Councilman Hack,
Resolution Supporting Increased Oversight on Natural Gas Drilling

WHEREAS, The Town of Holland recognizes the need for adequate supplies of fossil fuels including sufficient supplies of gas, oil and coal, and

WHEREAS, while the Board acknowledges the need for fossil fuels, it also recognizes that mining for natural resources must be conducted in a manner that protects the environment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Holland does hereby call upon Governor Cuomo and the Legislature of the State of New York to continue the moratorium on "horizontal fracking" until such time that it can be determined that the process causes no discernable harm to our environment, and be it further

RESOLVED, we request the Department of Environmental to require all companies "fracking for natural gas" in New York State to be compliant with the following:

- (a) Test all water wells and properties adjacent to property upon which "fracking" is to occur, and provide the results of the tests to adjacent property owners and the local municipality.
- (b) Secure a bond sufficient to address all damages to water wells or other private and/or public property in the event "fracking" causes damages.
- (c) Reclaim and reuse as much as possible of the water used in "fracking" and dispose of such unusable water in any environmentally safe manner.
- (d) Provide full disclosure of all chemicals used in the "fracking process";
- (e) Cease the use of holding ponds where "fracking water" could seep into water tables, and be it further

RESOLVED, the Town Board calls upon the Legislation of the State of New York to enact the following changes to further insure safeguarding of the environment:

1. Provide the Department of Environmental Conservation with personnel adequate to monitor, inspect and license all gas wells.



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2. Provide local communities and municipalities with a voice in the licensing process for gas wells, similar to the involvement of municipalities with gravel mining.
3. Review and determine the appropriate limit of the number of natural gas wells in a given geographic area, and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Hon. Andrew Cuomo, Governor, and all Senators and Legislators representing Western New York.

COUNCILMAN HACK
COUNCILWOMAN HERR
COUNCILWOMAN KLINE
COUNCILMAN KOLACKI
SUPERVISOR KASPRZYK

ALL AYES. CARRIED.

COUNTY OF ERIE }
STATE OF NEW YORK }
TOWN OF HOLLAND } SS.

I, Sandra Smith, Town Clerk of the Town of Holland, County of Erie, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution adopted by the Town Board, and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof, and that said original resolution is on file in my office.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the Town of Holland, New York on this 25th day of April 2011.


Sandra Smith
Holland Town Clerk