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June 12, 1869

A request to Bernardus Grootenhuis, Supervisor of the Township of Holland, by electors of the township in order to pledge aid for the Allegan to Holland railroad. By a vote of 197 to 46, such aid was approved by the electors.

The trustees for the election were Bernard Grootenhuis, D. Miedema and A. J. Hillebranus [?].

Original in the Archives of the State of Michigan, Lansing, rgms 44, box 218, fldr 10.

Notice

Whereas the following request is made to Bernardus Grootenhuis, Supervisor of the Township of Holland:

To the Supervisor of the Township of Holland, in the County of Ottawa and State of Michigan:

We the undersigned, tax paying Electors of the Township of Holland in said County, and State, would respectfully request that a meeting of the Electors of said Township be called under and in accordance with the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of Michigan, entitled "An Act to enable any Township, City or Village to pledge its aid by loan or donation to any Rail Road Company, now chartered or organized, or that may hereafter be organized, under and by virtue of the Laws of the State of Michigan, in the Construction of its Roads, Approved March 22, 1869, to vote upon the question of pledging the aid of said Township by donation to the Allegan and Holland Rail Road Company, to aid in the Construction of the Rail Road, from the village of Allegan, in Allegan County, into some point in the present limits of the City of Holland, east of the head of Black Lake, in Ottawa County (Provided that the aid afore said shall be upon the consideration successive week and previous to the holding of such meeting before the day appointed for such special meeting

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in "De Hollander" and "De Grondwet"[?] Two Newspapers published in the County wherein said Township is situated, and that the questions submitted to, and voted up on at such meeting, were as follows:

First—Shall the Township of Holland raise the sum of Eight thousand dollars, to aid in the Construction of the "Allegan and Holland Rail Road"

Second: Shall the afore said sum be raised by issuing the bonds of said Township, with Interest Coupons attached thereto; the same be executed in accordance with the provisions of said Act, to bear interest at the rate of eight percent per annum. Provided that no interest shall become due before the first day of March AD 1871, and the bonds to be so drawn, that the afore said principal sum shall become due and payable as follows:

One thousand dollars in three years

One thousand dollars in four years

One thousand dollars in five years

One thousand dollars in six years

One thousand dollars in seven years

One thousand dollars in eight years

One thousand dollars in nine years

One thousand dollars in ten years

from the first day of August AD. 1869.

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The same be executed in accordance with the provisions of said Act.

And those who voted in the affirmation of the question thus submitted voted a ballot on which was written or printed "aid to Rail Road—Yes." And those who voted in the negative, voted a ballot on which was written or printed—aid to Rail Road—No.

The whole number of votes given on the question, thus submitted and voted on, was Two hundred and forty five	/245/
And they were given as follows:	
One hundred and ninety seven	/197/
of them were given for "Aid to Rail Road—Yes. and Forty six	/46/
of them were given for "aid to Rail Road—No and Two were scattered	<u> /2/</u> 245

In witness whereof we have here unto set our hands at said Township, this 12th day of June AD 1869.

B. Grootenhuis	Inspectors
D. Miedema	of
A.J. Hellebrand	Election.

We, the undersigned, Inspectors of Election, of the Township of Holland, do hereby certify that the above Statement is correct.

In witness whereof we have here unto set our hands at said Township this 12th day of June 1869.

B. Grootenhuis	Inspectors
D Miedema	of
A.J. Hellebrand	Election.

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State of Michigan
Ottawa County
Township of Holland

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy (the original of which is on file in my office) of the call issued by the Supervisor of the Township of Holland, for a meeting of the Electors of the Township of Holland, to vote upon the question of giving aid to the "Allegan and Holland Rail Road Company" and of the proceeding of said Special Township meeting.

Dated at Holland, this
13th day of July, AD. 1870

A.J. Hillegrand,
Township Clerk.

Transcribed by Mary Otterness
March 3, 2004

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L. B. Grootenhuus } Inspectors
D. Miedema } of
A. J. Hellebrands } Election.

We, the undersigned, Inspectors of Election, of the Township of Holland, do hereby certify that the above Statement is correct.

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B. Grootenhuus } Inspectors
D. Miedema } of
A. J. Hellebrands } Election.

State of Michigan)
Ottawa County } ss.
Township of Holland }

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Dated at Holland, this }
13th day of July, A.D. 1870 }

A. J. Hillebrands,
Township Clerk.

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