

MINUTES
New Holland Borough Council
March 6, 2018

New Holland Borough Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall. Members present were: President Donald J. Herrington, Vice-President Todd C. Burkhart, Terry S. Mohler, John A. Styer and Abby L. Keiser. Members Patrick K. Morgan and James S. Bailey were absent. Also present were Manager/Secretary J. Richard Fulcher, Solicitor Bradford J. Harris, Police Sergeant Mark Willwerth and reporter Carole C. Deck. Others in attendance included residents Bill Kassinger, Mike Kurtz, Diana Morgan, Keith Snowberger, John Taylor, Mike Ireland and Earl Township residents Ken Harnish and Linda Harnish.

President Herrington opened the meeting, welcoming new member Abby Keiser to her first meeting and expressing looking forward to working with her. He then asked for action on the Minutes of Council's prior meeting.

Todd Burkhart made the motion that the Minutes of Council's meeting of February 6, 2018, be approved as distributed. This was seconded by John Styer and passed.

John Styer made the motion that the monthly Financial Report be accepted and the bills paid as prepared. This was seconded by Abby Keiser and passed.

Police Sergeant Mark Willwerth then briefly reviewed on behalf of Chief Leighty, the monthly summary Report of Department activities. He noted there was a total of 259 incidents, of which 14 were assaults, 11 of these felonies; 11 accidents and 23 traffic citations. There were two juvenile incidents. In response to a question, he noted that one went to District Court, the other was referred to Juvenile Court. He wants to report that the Chief has established a volunteer dog transporting program for those dogs that are not picked up within three days from the local kennel and to hold them initially. These folks are given background checks before approval. There are currently eight signed up. This saves the officers on duty from taking this trip and taking them away from patrol duties. A Lisa Paradis was the first one utilized. On behalf of Mayor Bender, who is absent this evening, he reports the monies received through the Police Department for the past month as: \$658.53 from the District Justice's office; \$165 from Accident reports; \$10 in parking fines; and \$20 from fingerprinting.

Police Chairman Burkhart made the motion that the one year 2018 Agreement with the PA SPCA, at a cost of \$200 per dog, be approved. This was seconded by Terry Mohler. It was noted the cost is the same as last year's. The motion then passed.

Personnel Chairman Styer had no action items but noted that with the immediate concern for a potential heavy snow event, he wants to mention that the Streets staff does a lot of preparation work related to being ready for such storms and staff from other departments assist if needed.

Streets Chairman Mohler made the motion that Council approve the awarding of the bid for the 2018 Street overlay work for North Kinzer Avenue from East Main Street to New Street and West Conestoga Street from Oak Avenue to Mentzer Avenue to the low bidder, New Enterprise Stone and Lime, Co. in the amount of \$83,420.75. He noted four bids were received and publicly opened on the 28th of February. This was seconded by Todd Burkhart and passed. Member Abby Keiser abstained, noting her spouse works for a subsidiary of New Enterprise.

Chairman Mohler then made the motion that Council approve the closing of East Jackson Street from South Kinzer Avenue east to Ranck Road @8:15 a.m. to 10 a.m., and south to the Borough line on Ranck, from @8:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. for the Garden Spot High School Cross Country Boosters 5k, on Saturday, April 28, 2018. This was seconded by John Styer and passed.

Chairman Mohler next made the motion that Council approve the closing of Main Street between Railroad Avenue, west to Custer Avenue; North Roberts Avenue, from Main north to Broad Street; South Roberts Avenue from Main, south to Franklin; and Franklin from South Roberts, east to South Railroad, for the annual Fair of the Farmers' Day Association, from 1p.m. Tuesday, October 2, 2018, until Sunday, October 7, 2018, 8 a.m. and further that Council in addition approve the closing of Jackson Street from Ranck Road, west to Custer Avenue, then Custer Avenue, north to Broad Street, Broad Street, east to North Railroad, then south on Railroad to Main Street, then east to Kinzer Avenue, on Wednesday, October 3, 2018, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. for its annual parade. This was seconded by Todd Burkhart and passed.

Chairman Mohler also noted that with major storm event which may occur tomorrow, he urges everyone to avoid traveling if possible in those conditions.

President Herrington reminded those present that a message from the Borough's emergency message system went out late this afternoon letting people know that

for those on the Borough's trash and recycling program, pick up is to be Friday this week.

Council member Keiser inquired if Council's names and personal cell phones can be placed on the Borough's website.

Manager Fulcher noted that can be done anytime but the office does not provide personal cell numbers unless authorized to do so.

Member Keiser and Mohler said they are fine to do so.

There being no further business or public comment, the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

April 3, 2018
Date Approved