

MINUTES
New Holland Borough Council
October 3, 2017

New Holland Borough Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall. Members present were: President Donald J. Herrington, Vice-President Todd C. Burkhart, James S. Bailey, Terry S. Mohler, John A. Armbrust and John A. Styer. Member Patrick K. Morgan was absent. Also present were Manager/Secretary J. Richard Fulcher, Mayor Wilbur G. Horning, Solicitor Bradford J. Harris and Police Chief William Leighty. Others in attendance included residents Bill Kassinger, Mike Kurtz, Todd Reitnouer, Mike Ireland and reporter Carole Deck.

President Herrington opened the meeting, noting that at last month's meeting he overlooked the recent return of reporter for the Lancaster Newspaper, Carole Deck, who is again working in that position. Council welcomes her back. He then asked for action on the Minutes of the previous meeting.

John Armbrust made the motion that the Minutes of Council's meeting of September 5, 2017 be approved as distributed. This was seconded by John Styer and passed.

Terry Mohler made the motion that the monthly Financial Report be accepted and the bills paid as prepared. This was seconded by Jim Bailey and passed.

Chief Leighty then briefly reviewed the monthly Department Report. Some highlights included that there were 8 felony and/or misdemeanors during the month, 17 traffic citations and 2 juvenile related actions. Between himself and Lt. Heisse, they attended 10 different various community or police related meetings. Officer Custer completed an AR-15 Armor schooling.

Reporting on behalf of the Finance Committee, Councilman Styer reported that there is one action item recommended this evening. This is proposed Resolution #491, which clarifies available uses for Borough funds set aside for possible future use with the Fire Company, as well as updating the Fund name. He then made the motion that Resolution #491, be approved. This was seconded by John Armbrust and passed.

Property Chairman Bailey made the motion that Change Order #5 for the police department expansion project be approved as reviewed and recommended by the Architect. The total of the items involved with this Change Order is an addition of \$15,318. This was seconded by John Armbrust. Chairman Bailey stated that as he understands it, the contract work is complete. Manager Fulcher reported that the final contract price was \$617,413, an increase of about 7 percent over the original. A

number of items were added with the suggestion of the various Chief's during this period. The contract cost does not include the total of all the other project related costs, which will take it to over \$700,000. Councilman Burkhart noted that there was some other work that the Committee wanted done also during the time. President Herrington stated this was a major project that did not involve a tax increase as much of it was paid from Capital Reserve. The motion then passed.

Streets Chairman Mohler made the motion that Council approve Trick or Treat Night in the Borough for Tuesday, October 31, 2017, 6 p.m.- 8 p.m. He noted this is the county-wide date. This was seconded by Todd Burkhart and passed.

Mayor Horning reported the fines received through the Police Department the past month as: \$1,039.05 from the District Justice's office; \$120 in Accident Reports; \$25 from fingerprinting; and \$20 in Parking fines. On some community related notes, he reminded that the visiting group for Sister City Longvic is still set for October 26-30th. The annual Farmers' Fair and parade is this week. He spoke to a group of New Holland 5th graders on the duties of a Borough Mayor. Former Council member Bill Clisham was also there and spoke to the responsibilities of Council members.

Resident Todd Reitnouer stated he lives at 113 Willow Ridge which is just around a bend from the High School. When school lets out around 2:35 p.m., a number of kids speed from school using the street as their way to Spruce Street or other locations. There are a few homes that still have young kids often out playing in their yard in the area. He would like to see the police watch this section more to address this concern.

Manager Fulcher noted that this is usually a regular school year cycle problem and oftentimes the residents are able to identify various vehicles which allow the school officer to speak to them about it, as well as the police having an appearance in the area so the word gets out.

Chief Leighty indicated he will be following up on this.

There being no further business or public comment, the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

November 7, 2017

Date Approved