

MINUTES
New Holland Borough Council
January 3, 2023

New Holland Borough Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall. Members present were: Vice-President Todd C. Burkhart, Patrick K. Morgan, John A. Styer, Bryant J. Glick, Michael H. Kurtz and Michael N. Martin. President Donald J. Herrington was absent. Also present were Manager/Secretary J. Richard Fulcher, Mayor M. Timothy Bender, Police Chief William Leighty and special counsel Susan Yocum of Eckert-Seamans. Others in attendance included Borough residents Bill Kassinger, Glenn Karker, Ray Harnish, Tom Plank, Susan Burke, Jonathan Brown, Rebekah Brown and Michael Good representing Garden Spot Fire Rescue.

Vice-President Burkhart opened the meeting asking for action on the Minutes of the last meeting.

Bryant Glick made the motion that the Minutes of Council's meeting of December 6, 2022 be approved, noting that his name is to be added as presenting the motion for approval of the Minutes of the December 6th meeting. Member Morgan stated that his name was missed on the attendance list and should be added. He then seconded the motion that the Minutes of Council's meeting of December 6, 2022 be approved as corrected. The motion passed.

Patrick Morgan made the motion that the monthly Financial Report be accepted and the bills paid as prepared. This was seconded by Mike Kurtz and passed. Members Burkhart and Styer abstained to avoid any appearance of conflict with any business they may own.

Police Chief Leighty then presented his monthly Department report summary. The Chief noted that this Report also shows the year end totals for the categories. There were 12 total arrests for the month of which 9 were felonies or misdemeanors. There were three non-traffic summary offenses and three DUI's. There were six reportable accidents and five non-reportable; with 36 total citations and 7 warnings. Of two juvenile contacts, one was referred to Juvenile court, the other to District Court. Officer Kanuck with the Chief's approval prepared and applied for a state grant in the amount of \$119,136. We recently received word that the grant was approved but are awaiting the official award letter. The main purpose of the grant is to replace the Department's closed circuit TV system and

the cameras in the vehicles. Should there be remaining funds, vest cameras could be discussed.

Vice-President Burkhart stated it was nice to see the letter from the City of Lancaster, Bureau of Police noting the recent assistance of officers Custer and McCorkle and the other officers working at the time assisting with locating a person wanted by the City in this area on December 14, 2022.

Member Morgan noted that officer Kanuck's recent efforts with grant support monies for the Department are to be commended.

In response to a question, the Chief noted the SRO officer Wolfe's hosting of a county K-9 unit demonstration for the students at Garden Spot High School went well.

Patrick Morgan made the motion that proposed Resolution #544, which identifies 5 percent as the police officers' contribution of pay towards the Police Pension Plan for 2023. This was seconded by John Styer and passed.

Patrick Morgan made the motion that proposed Resolution #545, which approves the participation of the Borough's Fire Police for non-emergency events for 2023, be approved. This was seconded by Bryant Glick and passed.

Personnel/Property Chairman Styer presented the proposed updated Non-Uniform Personnel Handbook. The update effort was assisted with the support of West Hempfield Township which recently updated its handbook utilizing a Lancaster legal firm. The Borough was able to interchange the particular Borough personnel elements with those as applicable to the Township, while maintaining the updated legal language. He then made the motion that the updated Non-Uniform Personnel Policy Handbook be adopted. This was seconded by Mike Martin and passed.

John Styer next made the motion that Council approve the use of Council Chambers for 2023 by the Board of the Community Memorial Park Association. This was seconded by Patrick Morgan and passed.

There were no reports from the Finance or Wastewater committees.

Water Committee Chair Martin reported that he requested the Manager to prepare a letter of recognition and thanks for those water staff led by Assistant Water Supervisor Hartranft and the others from the Streets/Parks/Maintenance

Department who participated in the water main repair on South Railroad Avenue on a very cold Christmas Day. This letter signed by him as Water Chairman was provided to those employees.

Streets Chairman Mike Kurtz made the motion that the request of the Garden Spot High School Cross Country Boosters to allow the use and closure of East Jackson Street between South Kinzer Avenue, east to Ranck Road, on Saturday April 15, 2023, for its 5k Run, from 8:15 a.m. to 11 a.m., be granted. He noted the organization is responsible for obtaining traffic control. This was seconded by Bryant Glick and passed.

Mayor Bender reported the monies received through the Police Department the past month as: \$517.04 from the District Justice's office; \$90 from accident reports; and \$183.52 from finger printing. He would echo the positive comments to officer Kanuck with his successful grant efforts as well as those officers involved with assisting the City of Lancaster police in identifying and capturing a wanted person on December 14, in the New Holland area.

Manager Fulcher reported that the Borough's traffic signal maintenance firm has indicated it should be in town later in the month to install the proper replacement traffic signals at Main and Railroad. The vertical pole on the northwest corner is to be relocated further back about four feet. There have been positive comments from residents who prefer the existing temporary signals; with their large yellow background plates. These however do not meet current Penn DOT standards.

There being no further posted business or public comment, the meeting was continued into Executive Session to discuss police personnel matters. Those in attendance were all Council members present, Mayor Bender, Manager/Secretary Fulcher and special police counsel Susan Yocum.

The meeting reconvened back into regular session and was recessed until 8 a.m. Tuesday, January 10, 2023, to consider the Chief's recommendations to retain or not, two current probationary officers.

The meeting then recessed at 8:30 p.m.

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New Holland Borough Council met in reconvened session of January 3, 2023 on Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 8 a.m. Members present were: Vice-President Todd C. Burkhart, Patrick K. Morgan, Bryant J. Glick, Michael H. Kurtz and Michael N. Martin. Members absent were President Donald J. Herrington and John A. Styer. Also present were Secretary/Manager J. Richard Fulcher, Mayor M. Timothy Bender, Police Chief William Leighty and Detective/Acting Lieutenant Josh Bitner.

Vice-President Burkhart reconvened the meeting of January 3, 2023. The meeting then convened into Executive Session for police personnel matters.

Upon returning to regular session, Vice-President Burkhart made the motion that probationary police officer Dereck Kanuck be retained as a full-time police officer following his probationary period based on the recommendation of the Police Chief and supporting information. This was seconded by Patrick Morgan. A roll was called for:

Patrick Morgan—Yes
Bryant Glick—Yes
Mike Kurtz—Yes

Mike Martin—Yes
Todd Burkhart—Yes

The motion passed.

Vice-President Burkhart made the motion that probationary police officer Shannon McCorkle be retained as a full-time police officer following his probationary period based on the recommendation of the Police Chief and supporting information. This was seconded by Patrick Morgan. A roll was called for:

Patrick Morgan—Yes
Bryant Glick—Yes
Mike Kurtz—Yes

Mike Martin—Yes
Todd Burkhart—Yes

The motion passed.

There being no other advertised business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

February 7, 2023

Date Approved