

MINUTES  
New Holland Borough Council  
August 6, 2024

New Holland Borough Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at 5 p.m. in Borough Hall. All members were present: Vice-President Michael H. Kurtz, Bryant J. Glick, William Clisham, D. Michael Ireland and via phone, President Patrick K. Morgan, Harry M. Klinger and John S. Taylor. Also present were Manager/Secretary J. Richard Fulcher, Mayor M. Timonhy Bender, Police Chief William Leighty and reporter Carole Deck. Others in attendance included Borough water consultant Jeff Bologna of Becker Engineering, residents Bill Kassinger, Lee Vescovich, ELANCO Library Board member, Susan Burke, ELANCO Library Board President, John Pogue of Landvision, LLC as consultant on the one lot subdivision request before Council this evening from the United Methodist Church and Jeff Shirk a member of the Church.

Vice President Kurtz opened the meeting, asking for action on the Minutes from the meeting of July 2, 2024.

Bryant Glick made the motion that the Minutes of Council's meeting of July 2, 2024 be approved as presented. This was seconded by Bill Clisham and passed.

Bryant Glick next made the motion that the Minutes of Council's meeting of July 22, 2024, be approved as distributed. This was seconded by Mike Ireland and passed.

Police Chief Leighty then reviewed his monthly summary Report. There was a total of 309 incidents. Of this total there were 11 total arrests, of which 10 were felonies or misdemeanors, 1 summary offense and 2 DUIs. There were 11 accidents of which 7 were reportable; 18 citations and 19 warnings. There was one juvenile contact, which was referred to juvenile court. They assisted other agencies seven times. The usual page of the community events attended by various staff over the past month is included in the Report. He also noted that the state police conducted their bi-annual, but unannounced date, audit of the Borough's CLEAN (Commonwealth Law Enforcement Assistance Network) system in the Department. The audit came back, using the audit term "as a clean audit", with everything found in order.

Property/Personnel Chairman Klinger reported he is pleased to announce on behalf of Council that the Borough's new pickleball and tennis courts are now open for

use. There are still some additional elements such as exterior landscaping, signage and so on to be completed, but the courts are open for play. It appears to have been a highly successful project between the contracted work and the Borough's Streets, Parks, Maintenance staff. He wants to thank the Board of the Community Memorial Park Association for its support of the project as well as the local group of pickleball players who collected over \$11,000 towards the cost of the project.

There were no Finance, Water or Wastewater Committee action items presented.

Streets Chairman Glick made the motion that Council approve Resolution #560, which approves the Borough's continued working relationship with PennDOT for the removal of ice and/or snow from Main Street/Route 23, from Ranck Road west to Western Avenue; for the period 2024 to 2029. The first year's payment is projected to be \$9,900. This was seconded by Bill Clisham and passed.

Chairman Glick then made the motion that the Final Plan for a 1.129 acre plot for the Evangelical Methodist Church (EUM) of 276 West Main Street as prepared by Landvision of Lancaster for client Burkholder Builders and dated May 31, 2024, be approved, including two Modification requests, the first to allow 1 inch to equal 40 feet—noting this is an improvement in size to the plans, and secondly, since this is only one large lot without current detailed development plans, not require the extra information within 200 feet of the lot. This is based on the review and recommended approval of the Borough's Planning Commission. This was seconded by Bill Clisham and passed.

Chairman Glick next made the motion that Resolution #561, which involves a module change to the Borough's sewer system because the future owner of the single lot resulting from the subdivision for the EUM Church needs to install a grinder pump system to have the planned new units get to the Borough's sewer system in Locust Street. This is a requirement of the PA DEP. This was seconded by Mike Ireland and passed.

Mayor Bender reported the monies received through the Police Department the past month as \$420.37 from the District Justice's office; \$90 from accident reports; and \$175.65 from fingerprinting. He commended Chief Leighty and his staff for the recent good findings of the CLEAN audit. Audits are good for an outside review of activities, and it is nice to receive a positive report.

Lee Vescovich, reporting on behalf of the ELANCO Library, stated he is pleased to again announce that compliments continue to be received from those who visit the

remodeled Children's Library portion of the building. Along with that however, they are continuing to fundraise to help replace the Library's portion of the project cost. The Library continues to receive additional items available to the public including things such as educational videos and board games. Other information and recent activities remain available on the Library's website.

There was no further public comment.

Member Ireland then made the motion that this meeting be continued to Wednesday, August 7, 2024, 5 p.m. noting that this meeting was planned to be continued until tomorrow because this evening is the nationwide Police Night Out. This was seconded by Bryant Glick and passed.

The meeting recessed at 5:12 p.m.

August 6, 2024  
Continued To  
August 7, 2024

New Holland Borough Council met in recessed session of August 6, 2024 on Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at 5 p.m. in Borough Hall. All members were present: President Patrick K. Morgan, Vice-President Michael H. Kurtz, Bryant J. Glick, William Clisham, Harry M. Klinger, D. Michael Ireland and via phone John S. Taylor. Also present were Manager/Secretary J. Richard Fulcher, Mayor M. Timothy Bender and reporter Carole Deck. Others in attendance were James Young and Shannon Young.

President Morgan opened the meeting and requested Committee actions to proceed.

Police Committee member Mike Krutz made the motion that Council request the Borough's Civil Service Commission to proceed with the solicitation and process for the presentation to Council of a list of potential police officers for Council's consideration. This was seconded by Bryant Glick and passed.

Mike Kurtz next made the motion that Council approve the proposed Settlement Agreement with the New Holland Police Officer's Association to close out matters related to unfair labor allegations regarding differences in discipline actions taken related to a number of officers, contingent upon receiving the signed original as

approved by the Association and as recommended by Borough counsel. This was seconded by Harry Klinger and passed.

Mike Kurtz then made the motion that for the reason discussed in Council's Executive session of July 22, 2024, Council terminate the employment of officer James T. Young as a police officer with the New Holland Police Department for just cause pursuant to Borough Code, Section 1190(A)(2) and (4); effective immediately. This was seconded by Bryant Glick. Member Taylor inquired if officer Young had any comments. President Morgan then asked for a roll call vote of members. The roll was:

Michael Kurtz—Yes	Bryan Glick—Yes
Harry Klinger—Yes	John Taylor—Yes
Bill Clisham—Yes	Patrick Morgan—Yes
Michael Ireland—Yes	

The motion passed unanimously.

President Morgan asked if there were any comments from those in attendance this evening.

There were no comments.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

September 3, 2024  
Date Approved