

MINUTES
New Holland Borough Planning Commission
July 16, 2024

The New Holland Borough Planning Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at 6 p.m. in Borough Hall. Members present were: Chairman William Kassinger, Vice-Chairman Donald W. Reed and member Jarrod T. Deel. Members absent were James S. Bailey and Joshua H. Stauffer. Also present were Planning Secretary J. Richard Fulcher and Plan representatives Jeff Shirk representing the Evangelical United Methodist Church of New Holland, the owner of the property being subdivided, Mike Martin and Mike Eberly, both of Burkholder Builders of Ephrata and their consultant John Pogue of Landvision, LLC, Lancaster, PA.

Chairman Kassinger opened the meeting, asking for action on the Minutes of the Commission's last meeting.

Don Reed made the motion that the Minutes of the Commission's meeting of April 23, 2024 be approved as distributed. This was seconded by Jarrod Deel and passed.

Chairman Kassinger then noted that there is one Plan request before the Commission this evening. This is the Plan of the Evangelical United Methodist Church of 276 West Main Street for a one lot subdivision consisting of 1.129 acres (49,179 square feet); which also has two technical modification requests; the first for a larger scale drawing, the second due to no development being proposed on this single parcel, to not require the additional information related to the surrounding area. This would occur when there is development proposed on this new lot.

John Poque explained the church is subdividing the 1.129 acres from its land which attached to its church of which the address is 276 West Main Street. The new lot is to front on Locust Street. There is no development planned with this step of the parcel subdivision.

Jeff Shirk representing the Evangelical United Methodist Church explained that the Church's cemetery to the north of the new lot is being made into a permanent Cemetery Association; which the EUM congregation along with the Methodist Church members it has merged with, located to the east of this church along Main Street, along with the members of the church taking the existing/remaining EUM

church and property at 276 West Main, are all eligible to utilize the cemetery. The sale has been approved by the EUM regional Conference.

Noting the Plan meets Borough requirements for both the new and remaining lot, member Don Reed made the motion that the Final Plan of the Evangelical United Methodist Church, 276 West Main Street, for a one lot 1.129 acre subdivision be approved as presented; also including the two Modifications requested, the first allowing a scale of 1"=40'; the second being to waive the normally required information regarding surrounding lots, noting there is no development proposed with this Plan. This was seconded by Jarrod Deel and passed.

There being no further business or public comment, the meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

September 17, 2024
Date Approved