

MINUTES  
New Holland Borough Planning Commission  
January 21, 2025

The New Holland Borough Planning Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 6 p.m. in Borough Hall. Members present were Chairman William H. Kassinger, Vice-Chairman Donald W. Reed, Joshua H. Stauffer and Jarrod T. Deel. Member James S. Bailey was absent. Also present were Planning Secretary J. Richard Fulcher, Borough Planning Consultant Gavin Freeman of ARRO Consulting and on behalf of the Goodville Mutual Company of 625 West Main Street, Paul Shirk, Steven Tucker and Dalton West and David Keener, Goodville planning consultant of G.D. Keener, LLC.

Chairman Kassinger opened the meeting, asking for action on the Minutes of the meeting of September 17, 2024.

Member Deel made the motion that the Minutes of the Commission's meeting of September 17, 2024, be approved as prepared. This was seconded by Josh Stauffer and passed.

Chairman Kassinger then requested Secretary Fulcher to conduct the election of officers moving forward.

Josh Stauffer stated in lieu of nominations, he makes the motion that the current officers, Chairman William Kassinger and Vice-Chairman Donald Reed be elected to continue their positions moving forward. This was seconded by Jarrod Deel and passed.

Chairman Kassinger then asked the representatives from the Goodville Mutual Company to present their planned lot add-on details. He noted this is an information meeting for the Commission as it involves a lot add-on related to a building permit process for the Borough but also is a little more involved than the Borough's simple lot add-on process.

Dave Keener presented drawings of the proposed lot add-on through a purchase from the New Holland Mennonite Church to the east of the Goodville property. This acquisition will address the need for additional employee parking. The area involved is already a portion of the macadamed parking area used by the Church. A new accessway onto Western Avenue is also to be requested from the Borough to assist in safer traffic flow from the parking area. There will be a written easement

to continue to allow the Church to use a section of this area as parking. The Church has adequate additional property to its north should it need it. Goodville Mutual also is to obtain a right of first refusal for the remainder of the property should the Church ever sell it. He also noted that there will be a secondary element on the south side of the added lot. The owner there built a block wall between their property and the Church property many years ago; however, the western portion of the wall is actually on the Church's property. In order to keep this situation simple, Goodville intends to simply transfer this little piece of property to that owner. He also noted that the previous stormwater basin at the time of the last addition was constructed over-sized so it could have some stormwater added if future construction took place.

Chairman Kassinger stated he was on the Commission at that time and recalls that the basin referred to by Mr. Keener constructed to the southwest on Goodville property was recognized as an over-sized basin to address to some extent, future construction runoff.

Secretary Fulcher noted that this process will follow the Borough's building permit and stormwater review and approval process before receiving approval to proceed.

There being no further business or public comment, the meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

February 18, 2025

Date Approved