

**REGULAR MEETING NEW HOLLAND VILLAGE COUNCIL
JANUARY 12, 2026**

MEETING MINUTES

- I. **Call Meeting to Order At 6:30 pm by Mayor Joe Inskeep**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
- III. **Roll Call:** Danny Kirkpatrick Yes, Clair (Butch) Betzko Yes, Greg Shaw Yes, Jimmy Thompson Yes, Joshua Trainer Yes, Zachary Fisk Yes, Village Administrator: Harold DeSanto Yes, Fiscal Officer: Carmen White Yes, Chief of Police: Jason Lawless Yes, and Clerk of Courts: Michele Ervin Yes
- IV. **Quorum: Yes**
- V. **Nominations for Pro Tempore:**
- Request for nominations
- Nomination of Greg Shaw by Jimmy Thompson
- Motion seconded by Zachary Fisk
- Vote taken: Yea 5 Nay 0 Abstain 1
- VI. **Visitors –**
- No Visitors
- VII. **Police Department Report:** Police Chief / Jason Lawless and Clerk of Courts: Michele Ervin Reports Submitted
- Jason gave Joshua and Butch information on the Advisory Committee. Also, Chuck Miller has a contact with 10-8 Video and Jason provided a quote on getting the cruisers cameras. The cameras start automatically when the lights go on and also are on in the back seat. The software is included. Jason will check to see if this is a one time cost. The Council members can review and discuss at the next meeting.
- On the two houses they are discussing next steps with solicitor. Certified letters went out some of the other issues.
- The Church of Christ is looking at providing activities for the children in town. They are remodeling the basement so they can be open for one day a week. Anyone interested in helping with the work should contact Jason.
- Motion by Zachary Fisk to accept the Police Chief's / Court Clerk's report. Motion seconded by Danny Kirkpatrick
- Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 6 Nay 0 Abstain 0
- VIII. **Village Administrator Report:**
- Report Submitted
- The issues out at the sewer plant are taking longer to resolve. DLZ requested another extension which was approved. This extends it out to spring. This will make it eighteen months. Harold will work with DLZ on scheduling. We are close to dire straits with the issues. The Village may need to go with a different company for the next project.
- Motion by Greg Shaw to accept the VA's report. Motion seconded by Jimmy Thompson
- Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 6 Nay 0 Abstain 0

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IX. Minutes of Previous Meeting (s): Any corrections or additions to the Regular Council Meetings held December 8 , 2025.

Motion by Greg Shaw to approve the Regular Council Meeting held December 8 , 2025 seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 4 Nay 0 Abstain 2

Minutes of Previous Meeting (s): Any corrections or additions to the Special Council Meetings held December 29, 2025.

Motion by Jimmy Thompson to approve the Special Council Meeting held December 29, 2025, seconded by Zachary Fisk

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 4 Nay 0 Abstain 2

Minutes of Previous Meeting (s): Any corrections or additions to the Special Council Meetings held January 5 , 2026.

Motion by Zachary Fisk to approve the Special Council Meeting held January 5 , 2026, seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 6 Nay 0 Abstain 0

X. Mayor's Report

Working with Harold and DLZ on getting the Lift fixed.

Working on getting the houses in town taken down. Reminder that Butch and Josh need to take the Fraud class and the Mt Vernon study.

XI. Fiscal Officer's Report:

Reports Submitted

Motion by Zachary Fisk to accept the Fiscal Officer's report. Motion seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 6 Nay 0 Abstain 0

XII. Legislation:

Ordinance No. 2026-01

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, FISCAL CLERK AND VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW HOLLAND, PICKAWAY COUNTY, OHIO, TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH WHITT LAW OFFICE LLC. FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF SOLICITOR, INVOLVING PROSECUTORIAL FUNCTIONS AND DECLARING THIS TO BE AN EMERGENCY

Motion to suspend the readings made by Greg Shaw and seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 6 Nay 0 Abstain 0

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Motion to Pass the Ordinance 2026-01 made by Greg Shaw and seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Votes Recorded: Yea 6 Nay 0 Abstain 0

Ordinance No. 2026-02

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2024-07 THE VILLAGE OF NEW HOLLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW HOLLAND, PICKAWAY COUNTY, OHIO, AND DECLARING IT TO BE AN EMERGENCY

Motion to suspend the readings made by Zachary Fisk and seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 6 Nay 0 Abstain 0

Motion to Pass the Ordinance 2026-02 made by Zachary Fisk and seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Votes Recorded: Yea 6 Nay 0 Abstain 0

Ordinance No. 2026-03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2025-05 TO AMEND THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS & REVENUES FOR CURRENT YEAR EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW HOLLAND, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND DECLARING THIS AN EMERGENCY

Motion to suspend the readings made by Greg Shaw and seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 6 Nay 0 Abstain 0

Motion to Pass the Ordinance 2026-03 made by Greg Shaw and seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Votes Recorded: Yea 6 Nay 0 Abstain 0

XIII. OLD BUSINESS:

Where are we on working with Williamsport on police department? We are waiting for additional information from them. We would need to set up a police district.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS:

Harold will be introducing a bill next month on how to handle no pennies. We will credit the account for any money over exact change .

XV. Treasurer Report:

Pass the Financial Report as of previous month's bills.

Motion to approve Financial Report of Payments by Greg Shaw and seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 6 Nay 0 Abstain 0

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XVI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance/Audit/Grants Committee: Chair: Joe Inskeep Meeting next month

Cemetery: _____ chair

Fire Dept.: Danny Kirkpatrick chair. Report submitted. There is a concern that a lot of money is being carried over and a question on what equipment they should be looking at getting or fixing.

Public Records/Record Retention:

Emergency : Chair: Greg Shaw – MACR He has tested it and should be ready to bring it down here to set it up at the town hall.

Street Lighting / Recycle Bins: Chair: Zachary Fisk - Still working with the bank on getting an agreement on clean up around the bins.

Zoning/ Planning: chair: _____

Park: Chair Jimmy Thompson New prices set up for 2026. We are hoping to increase usage.

XVII. CONCLUSION: Next Scheduled Meeting(s):
Regular Council meeting, Monday February 9, 2026 @ 6:30 pm

Motion by: Greg Shaw to adjourn at __8:13 pm seconded by: Jimmy Thompson
Vote taken: Yea __6__ ; Nay __0__