

**REGULAR MEETING NEW HOLLAND VILLAGE COUNCIL
APRIL 13, 2026**

MEETING MINUTES

- I. **Call Meeting to Order At 6:30 pm by ProTem Greg Shaw**
The Mayor is out sick today.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
- III. **Roll Call:** Danny Kirkpatrick Yes, Clair 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. **Visitors –**
Sabrina Colburn brought in the list of dates for the Smitty’s Bar Bike nights and the two car shows. For the car show the N Main St will need to be closed down from 9:00am to 4:00 for the one on May 23rd, and from 9:00am to an unknown time on June 6th. The proceeds from the car show go to different charities in town. At the last meeting there was a concern expressed about the extra time that the police have to put in due to the number of people. Sabrina noted that they have the noise meter and do try to stay within the correct amounts. Joe will need to talk to Sabrina about the concerns.
- Brance Johnson is running for Fayette County Commissioner. He discussed his ideas on cyber protection, crime, pollution of water, and fraud. He is interested in really listening to the people in the district. He is not in favor of data warehouses in Fayette County and believes abatements and NDAs are a mistake.
- VI. **Police Department Report:** Police Chief / Jason Lawless and Clerk of Courts: Michele Ervin
Reports were presented.
The Kid’s Day out will need to be changed due to the Car Show. Michele and Jason will pick out a new date.
The Council discussed the Car Show and issues that happened the last time. It is too late to write a Resolution about Events for this year. **Clair Betzko made a motion that the Council table the Resolution until September which will give the Council time to consider what to do about Charity Events versus general Events. Also the Village attorney can be consulted. Zachary Fisk seconded it. The vote was 5 Yes and 0 No.** Jason Lawless discussed that special duty is in the Police Handbook as being \$50.00 an hour and some of these events should allow the police to be paid \$50.00. Currently the policy ordinance does not allow for the special duty pay. **Clair Betzko made a motion that the police be paid the special duty wages when a special event includes alcohol. Jason Lawless will determine when the situation required the special duty wages. This was seconded by Danny Kirkpatrick. The vote was 5 Yes and 0 No. Jason will work with Joe to modify the Police part time ordinance to include the special duty wages and further define when those wages are applicable .**
- Jason brought up that the Fund that was intended to be for EMA could be used for the police department. Carmen White will do more research on if that can be done and what would be entailed in doing it

Motion by Zachary Fisk to accept the Police Chief’s / Court Clerk’s report. Motion seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Vote’s Recorded: Yea ___5___ Nay ___0___ Abstain ___0___

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VII. Village Administrator Report:

Report Presented

The park grant will provide additional help for people who have issues getting to the shelter. New lights are needed around the shelter. Harold will check into solar lights. Harold would like to have the Council approve him spending around \$20k on a new used truck. The current truck would be paid. Harold has seen trucks for sale from \$15k to \$17k. **Zachary Fisk made a motion to enable Harold to buy a truck around \$20k. Danny Kirkpatrick seconded the motion. The vote was 5 Yes and 0 No.** Harold will sell the current truck.

Motion by Zachary Fisk to accept the VA's report. Motion seconded by Joshua Trainer
Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0

VIII. Minutes of Previous Meeting (s): Any corrections or additions to the Regular Council Meetings held March 9 , 2026.

Motion by Clair Betzko to approve the Regular Council Meeting held March 9, 2026 seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0

IX. Fiscal Officer's Report:

Reports were presented.

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

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0

X. Legislation

Ordinance No. 2026-06

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2027 TAX BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF NEW HOLLAND, DIRECTING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO SUBMIT THE 2027 BUDGET TO THE PICKAWAY COUNTY AUDITOR.

First reading April 13, 2026 , motion by: Zachary Fisk 2nd by Clair Betzko

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0

Resolution No. 2026-R04

RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTING THE FAYETTE COUNTY MITIGATION PLAN 2026 AND DECLARING IT TO BE AN EMERGENCY

Motion to suspend the readings made by Danny Kirkpatrick and seconded by Jimmy Thompson

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0

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Motion to Pass the Resolution 2026-R04 made by Jimmy Thompson and seconded by Joshua Trainer

Council Votes Recorded: Yea 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0

XI. OLD BUSINESS:

Harold asked about the Zoning discussion started at the last meeting. Since there are not three people on the Zoning Committee, then it does fall to Harold. Since Joshua is the Council representative, he will work with Harold on this.

XII. NEW BUSINESS:

The Town Hall needs a new flag. Joshua has one but it is plain. He will bring it in and the Council can decide if it will work.

Brandon Isles is replacing Randy Bisette. He will keep the same salary that we were paying Randy.

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

Motion to approve Financial Report of Payments by Jimmy Thompson and seconded by Joshua Trainer

Council Vote's Recorded: Yea 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0

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XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance/Audit/Grants Committee: Chair: Joe Inskeep Meeting in April to review the budget again.

Cemetery: Clair Betzko chair - Clair would like to present a letter from the Council requesting a meeting with the Township for May 11, at 6:00 in the Town Hall. A yearly meeting is required by ORC. He will give this to them on Tuesday.

Fire Dept.: Danny Kirkpatrick chair. There was discussion on the amount of money that is in the fire fund and the need of a new building. New equipment is also going to be needed next year. With the current amount of money, it is hard to get grants to help with getting a new meeting

Public Records/Record Retention:

Emergency : Chair: Greg Shaw MARD mod radio is not hooked up. Space on the table is needed

Street Lighting / Recycle Bins: Chair: Zachary Fisk Everything is looking good.

Zoning/ Planning: chair: Joshua Trainer

Park: Chair Jimmy Thompson The number of renters has increased. It is becoming much more popular.

XIV. CONCLUSION: Next Scheduled Meeting(s): Regular Council meeting, May 11, 2026 @ 6:30 pm

Motion by: Zachary Fisk to adjourn at 9:10 pm seconded by: Danny Kirkpatrick
Vote taken: Yea ___5___; Nay ___0___;