

BOROUGH OF NEW FLORENCE MINUTES JULY 15, 2025

President Jason Beatty, called the regular meeting of the New Florence Borough Council to order on Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 6:30 pm in the Borough Building.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Jason Beatty, President
Jeff Rager, V. P.
Ed Craft
Gwen Dellett
Mark Dellett, Mayor

Scott Fuller - Absent
Todd Hepner
Dan Hewitt, Solicitor - Absent
Chuck O'Shell
Cheryl Priest, Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carl Fabrizio asked about the status of the CDBG project. Council is still in a holding pattern, waiting on word from the county.

POLICE REPORT

Office Brandon Marsh gave the June 2025 Police Report. The department had burglaries committed during hours when no Officers were on duty. Pennsylvania State Police ended up catching the suspect, he confessed and was subsequently arrested. St. Clair Township, had 1 aggravated assault and related charges, 1 simple assault and related charges. 1 PFA violation filed. New Florence Borough had 1 hit and run resulting in 5 citations being issued. Seward Borough had 1 confinement charge and 3 Disorderly Conduct citations. 1 DUI, and 1 furnishing alcohol to minors/corruption of minors.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jeff Rager made a motion to accept the minutes from the regular Meeting of June 30, 2025 as written. The motion was seconded by Todd Hepner. All in favor. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jeff Rager made a motion to accept the June 30, 2025 Treasurer's Report as written. Gwen Dellett seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUILDING, GROUNDS, & EQUIPMENT – Todd Hepner, Chair. Scott Fuller, second.

Jeff Rager received a phone call from Dan Beyer of EADS regarding Memory Park, next week will start the PA 811 call, survey and approve the design. September the job will be awarded.

We are still waiting to hear from HUD regarding the release of funds.

Al Thomas met with Peoples Gas and they installed a new smart meter, in the event of a gas leak the meter will automatically shut off.

Al Thomas also gave a report on a pipe camera from Napotniks for council to review. A stop sign was maliciously sheared off by the corner of the bus garage. Al Thomas has taken care of this issue and stop sign is fixed.

STREETS AND DRAINS – Chuck O'Shell, Chair, Jeff Rager, Second

No update on the CDBG grant.

The fire company hosed the sidewalks in the underpass.

GRANTS & FUNDING – Gwen Dellett, Chair, Mason Luther, Second

No report.

LANDBANK – Ed Craft, Chair; Todd Hepner, Second

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mark Dellett thanked Council for the quick response in taking care of the ballfield, Chad Gutshall spent two (2) days dragging the field and looks great.

ORDINANCE OFFICER REPORT – Ed Craft

Hearings are scheduled regarding the registered letters and citations that were issued.

OLD BUSINESS

Jason Beatty discussed sidewalk grinding with the contractor last Thursday. Parrish Concrete will get a quote to Jason Beatty.

NEW BUSINESS

Jason Beatty called for an Executive Session at 7:03 p.m. to discuss contracts. Executive session ended at 7:35 p.m.

Jason Beatty made a motion that Council can spend up to \$7,500.00 on the County Tax Sale. The motion was seconded by Ed Craft. All in favor. Motion passed.

ADJOURN

Jeff Rager made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ed Craft. All in favor. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.