BOROUGH OF NEW FLORENCE MINUTES SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

President Jason Beatty, called the regular meeting of the New Florence Borough Council to order on September 15, 2026, at 6:30 pm in the Borough Building.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Jason Beatty, President	Scott Fuller
Todd Hepner, V.P.	Toby McIlwain, Solicitor - Absent
Ed Craft	Chuck O'Shell
Gwen Dellett - Absent	Jeff Rager
Mark Dellett, Mayor	Cheryl Priest, Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jerry Lych thanked the New Florence Borough council for the donation towards the Patriots annual Block Party.

POLICE REPORT

Officer Johnson gave the August Police Report. Crime for the month of August is as follows: St. Clair Township: Seven (7) incidents. Trespass/scattering rubbish and a simple Assault (under investigation). A trespass (charged) an harassment are under investigation.

New Florence Borough had nine (9) incidents. A theft of services/identify theft and harassment both under investigation. Four (4) Child investigations, three (3) were unfounded and one under investigation. Criminal mischief and theft are both under investigation. Disorderly conduct pending charges, and a theft under investigation. Trespass by motor vehicle/criminal mischief victim declined charges.

Seward Borough had one (1) incident an identity theft which is under investigation with PSP assistance. The department also had four (4) assists with outside agencies.

Officer Johnson thanked the New Florence Fire Department for their help on September 3, 2026, when the storms hit and their quick response to

remove trees that were down on Sugar Run Road. He also added they are respectful and professional, and he enjoys working with them.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chuck O'Shell made a motion to accept the minutes from the regular Meeting of August 18, 2026, as written. Jeff Rager seconded the motion.

All in favor. Motion passed.

Jeff Rager made a motion to accept the minutes from the Special Meeting of September 9, 2026, as written. Todd Hepner seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Chuck O'Shell made a motion to accept August 18, 2026, Treasurer's Report as written. Scott Fuller seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Al Thomas has scheduled COG to do some catch basin drains on October 23, 2026.

Jason Beatty is looking into getting bids for the generator at the Senior Center. Jeff Rager and Chuck O'Shell met the insurance adjuster regarding the flooding back in July.

Scott Fuller mentioned there's only one (1) more mosquito treatment left this year.

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

Jeff Rager updated the council as to a start date from United Paving. A day of milling and a day of paving.

GRANTS & FUNDING – Gwen Dellett, Chair, Todd Hepner, Second

Dan Beyer of EADS is working on the CDBG Grant for council and the match is 15%.

Jason Beatty made a motion to apply for the 2027 CDBG Grant knowing that our match is 15%, which is $44,457.00. Jeff Rager seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion passed.

EADS is also working on the LSA Grant for next year.

LANDBANK – Ed Craft, Chair; Todd Hepner, Second
No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Dellett is still receiving complaints regarding scooters, racing and not wearing helmets, they had been warned.

ORDINANCE OFFICER REPORT – Ed Craft

Ed Craft sent seven (7) citations out. There were several complaints regarding e-bikes being road on the sidewalks.

OLD BUSINESS

Council is waiting to hear from Parrish Contracting on the sidewalk grinding.

Singer Accounting will be meeting with council September 17, 2026 regarding possibly doing New Florence Borough's audit.

NEW BUSINESS

Jason Beatty discussed Fall Dumpster Days which will be held October 16, 17, 2026 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or until full.

Community Development asked council for a road permit for the Halloween parade.

Jason Beatty called for an Executive Session at 7:19 p.m. to discuss Real Estate. Executive Session ended at 7:37 p.m.

ADJOURN

Jeff Rager made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ed Craft seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.