

**Minutes of Borough Council Regular Meeting  
Borough of New Cumberland  
Wednesday, July 14, 2021**

The New Cumberland Borough Council held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, July 14, 2021, in the Council Chambers of the Borough building located at 1120 Market Street, New Cumberland, PA.

1. Open meeting and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag — The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by the Council President Robert P. Kline and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
2. Roll call

Borough Council Present

Robert P. Kline, President  
Donald W. Kibler, Vice-President  
Kevin L. Hall  
Gennifer R. Richie  
David H. Stone

Borough Officials Present

Doug Morrow, Mayor  
Joseph E. Spadaccino, Police Chief  
Jeff Gouldy, Fire Chief  
Randy Watts, Borough Engineer  
Michael Cassidy, Borough Solicitor  
Albert M. Penksa, Jr., Borough Manager/Secretary  
Vanessa Dettrey, Admin. Assistant

Councilmen Matthew S. Stoner and Chad Wilson were absent.

3. Approval of June 09, 2021, Regular Council Meeting Minutes — A motion was made by Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilman Stone, and unanimously voted to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 09, 2021, with the appropriate corrections.
  - a. Alana Bubnis promotion will start September 7th.
  - b. Appoint Fred Miles from the Planning Commission and Richard Stewart to the Zoning Review Committee.
4. Approval of Check Lists for June 2021 — A motion was made by Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilman Stone, and unanimously voted to approve the Check Lists for June 09, 2021.
5. Approval of Treasurer's Report for June 2021 — A motion was made by Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilman Richie, and unanimously voted to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented:

General Fund	
(Investments of \$2,798,169.58)	
Capital Improvement	
(Investments of \$261,718.97)	\$500.00
Liquid Fuels Fund	
(Investments of \$211,073.02)	\$500.00
Capital Projects Account	
(Investments of \$1,504,353.29)	
(Term Investments of \$3,000,000.00)	
(Term Investments of \$2,000,000.00)	
(Term Investments of \$1,000,000.00)	
Revitalization Initiative	
(Investments of \$263,257.88)	

6. Hear Visitors —

Julia Estep, 1001 Fourth Street, she talked about the issue with signs/flags. She read section 1302-1305 which indicates the issues she covers. Section 1302 are general regulations, and they indicate that “Any indecent or obscene advertisement shall not be displayed in any manner.” 702 Fourth Street has an explicit banner leading into the Memorial Field for all the kids to see. A Trump 2024 sign can be found on the corner of Reno and Third. This election has not even happened, and she feels that it does not apply to the regulations. She knows violation letters were sent, but if the follow up is not enforced it renders the letter meaningless. Something needs to be done. President Kline states that the Borough will have their Code Enforcement Officer address the situation.

Lynn Graham, 501 Carol St, since it is getting close to the inspection of sidewalks, trees, etc. she wanted to go over the time span of citations. According to the letter, compliance is to be in 10 days prior to the post mark. She asked Rob Moyer many questions concerning why only 10 days, when was the last time the process was reviewed, and how often are inspections done. He could not provide her with an answer to some of these questions and referred her to the Borough Manager but received similar responses. She is asking for consideration to review the process with residents and to allow more than 10 days to comply. President Kline states that the Borough is always reasonable regarding flexibility.

7. President's Report

-Council President

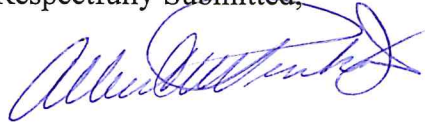
- A. Messiah Lifeways — Manager Penksa states that Messiah Lifeways has been selected by the County to operate the West Shore Senior Center. The Borough would like to see if there is an interest or willingness for Messiah Lifeways to participate with the Borough in the utilization of the Senior Center to host Borough events, this would need to be defined in a license or lease agreement. Solicitor Cassidy states that if the Borough is interested or willing to give Messiah Lifeways exclusive use of that building or for Borough purposes give some flexibility to schedule events around Messiah Lifeways use of that building to not infringe upon the senior's utilization there.
- B. Non-Uniform Pension Amendment — After the process of an audit it was recommended to clean-up the language on an eligible employee for the non-uniform pension. This amendment defines an eligible full-time employee to avoid the possibility that someone intended to be part time might be under the pension plan. This will not affect current Borough employees or the Police Department. A motion was made by Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilman Stone, and unanimously voted to approve Non-Uniform Pension Amendment.
- C. Appointment of Fire Chief — President Kline stated that Jeff Gouldy was elected Fire Chief by Fire Department on July 1<sup>st</sup> due to Mr. Benson retiring from the position on June 30<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made by Councilman Stone, seconded by Councilman Kibler, and unanimously voted to appoint Mr. Gouldy to Borough Fire Chief and to have Mayor Morrow swear in the new Chief.
- D. Boat Launch — Boat Club
- a. Budget – Revenue/Expense - The cash revenue of \$20,000-\$25,000 from the Fish & Boat Club is anticipated to be transferred to the Borough by the end of the month. The recognition of this revenue will need to be added to the budget. The preliminaries are estimated to be around \$10,000 for the gate. A motion was made by Councilman Stone, seconded by Councilwoman Richie, and unanimously voted to approve the revenue/expense.
  - b. Plan of Asset Transfer - There was a discussion to acquire the ownership and assets of the Fish and Boat Club. The Board of Directors for the Fish and Boat Club took a vote to dissolve. The dissolution process under Pennsylvania Law requires them to have a plan for a disposition for the club assets. The cash revenue is to be transferred to the Borough with the understanding that the money is to be used for the improvements that have been discussed. Because of this the club members will be given two years of free membership. A motion was made by Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilman Stone, and unanimously voted to approve the Plan of Asset Transfer.

- E. Stormwater drainage project — There is an existing stormwater drain at the Boat Club. A permit is needed to get from the railroad and a general permit from DEP for discharge in the river as a replacement of destruction permit. An easement of the Ditunno property will be needed to make changes to connect into the main line. To fund the improvements that are planning to be made, the Borough can use the grant money from American Rescue Plan Act. Getting DEP permits for this project takes up to six (6) months. Permits from Norfolk Southern is estimated to take eight (8) to 12 months with an additional four (4) months for bidding construction. Actual construction time frame will take about two (2) months. A motion was made by Councilman Stone, seconded by Councilman Hall, and unanimously voted to approve the stormwater drainage design and permitting.
- F. 2021 CDBG Grant for ADA Improvements — This grant will allow the Borough to make improvements with sidewalks downtown to be ADA accessible and could potentially help in the revitalization project. A motion was made by Councilman Stone, seconded by Councilwoman Richie, and unanimously voted to approve the application from CDBG.
- G. Special Event Forms —
- a. One Million Steps for OCD by OCD Pennsylvania – Shannon Weise is looking to hold an event on September 18<sup>th</sup> in the Borough Park starting at 9:00am till 10:30am. This will be a fundraising walk for awareness of OCD. Precautions have been made by providing an ambulance for the day. A motion was made by Councilman Stone, seconded by Councilwoman Richie, and unanimously voted to approve the OCD event.
  - b. Grills, Service, Movie by Trinity Methodist Church – Beth Sider is looking to hold an event on August 21<sup>st</sup> in the Borough Park Gazebo starting at 6:30pm till 10:30pm. They will be showing movies in the gazebo and using the grills in the park to provide food. A motion was made by Councilwoman Richie, seconded by Councilman Stone, and unanimously voted to approve Trinity Methodist Church Event.
8. Engineer's Report — The Boat Launch in the Borough Park is undergoing its finalization in design and permits. The Bid for the Firehouse Apron was advertised July 2<sup>nd</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. The Bid has already been advertised for the Salt Shed Repair and the pre-construction meeting is July 15<sup>th</sup>.
9. Mayor's Report — National Night Out will be held at Trinity Methodist Church on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. West Shore Theatre construction will be starting soon, and Code Red is ready for activation. Residents will be informed of Code Red sign-up in the messenger.
10. Police Chief's Report — Chief Spadaccino provided a written report of the Police Department activities for the month of June 2021.
11. Fire Chief's Report — Chief Goulby provided a written report of the Fire Department activities for the month of June 2021. Chicken BBQ is scheduled for July 17<sup>th</sup> starting at 10am and will end when they run out of chicken.
12. Solicitor's Report — Nothing to report.



13. Manager's Report — Community Garden benches are now in place. The Borough owns property throughout the community and there have been multiple scenarios with dead tree problems. They are currently being handled by the Highway & Parks Department. The River Dock is still in the process of making improvements such as the clean-up of shrubs and/or trees. The Borough was also informed that there will be an informational session at the Radisson Hotel regarding the I-83 South Bridge on July 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am till 12:00pm.
14. Executive Session (Personnel Matters) — President Kline starts the Executive Session at 8:16pm and ends the session at 9:13pm.
15. Adjournment — A motion was made by Vice-President Kibler, seconded by Councilman Hall, and unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:31pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Albert M. Penksa, Jr.", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Albert M. Penksa, Jr.

Borough Secretary