

# The Town of New Market



**Town Council Minutes**  
**40 South Alley, New Market, MD. 21774**  
**General Session**  
**September 14, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.**

The meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of New Market was held in person and virtually via Zoom on Monday, September 14, 2023, with Mayor Winslow Burhans presiding. Council members present were Shane Rossman, Dennis Kimble, Matt Chance (via Zoom), Chris Weatherly (via Zoom), and Michael Wright. Also in attendance were Shawn Burnett and Tim Rye (via Zoom), Town Engineers, and Caitlin Moroney, Main Street Manager.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

*Motion:* Councilman Wright made a Motion to Approve the July 13, 2023, minutes as written

*Second:* Councilman Rossman

*Discussion:* None

*Public Comment:* None

*Vote:* For – 3 (Rossman, Weatherly, Wright)  
Against – 0  
Abstain – 1 (Chance)  
Absent – 1 (Kimble<sup>1</sup>)

*Motion:* Councilman Rossman made a Motion to Approve the August 10, 2023, minutes as amended

*Second:* Councilman Kimble

*Discussion:* None

*Public Comment:* None

*Vote:* For – 5 (Rossman, Kimble, Chance, Weatherly, Wright)  
Against – 0  
Abstain – 0  
Absent – 0

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<sup>1</sup> Councilman Kimble was absent during the vote to approve the July 13, 2023, minutes.

**Note:** Councilman Weatherly appeared in person during Forest Easement & Sureties for Marley Commons presentation.

*Mayoral Initials:* \_\_\_\_\_

## NEW BUSINESS

### Linganore High School Homecoming Parade Request

Genesis Maldonado, Class of 2024, SGA, President, and Zachary Davis, Class of 2023, SGA Vice President presented Linganore High School's Homecoming parade plans to the Council. The parade will be held on October 8, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

*Motion:* Councilman Kimble made a Motion to Approve the Homecoming Parade and plan as submitted  
*Second:* Councilman Wright  
*Discussion:* None  
*Public Comment:* None  
*Vote:* For – 5 (Rossman, Kimble, Chance, Weatherly, Wright)  
Against – 0  
Abstain – 0  
Absent – 0  
**The Motion passed.**

### New Market Strong Event

Mayor Burhans requested that the New Market Strong Event scheduled for Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, be made a Town event.

*Motion:* Councilman Chance made a Motion to Approve making the 2023 New Market Strong Event a Town event  
*Second:* Councilman Kimble  
*Discussion:* None  
*Public Comment:* None  
*Vote:* For – 5 (Rossman, Kimble, Chance, Weatherly, Wright)  
Against – 0  
Abstain – 0  
Absent – 0  
**The Motion passed.**

### Brinkley Manor Parking Stripes

Mayor Burhans provided a summary of the parking stripes in Brinkley Manor. The parking stripes were discussed at the Town Council meetings in September and October 2022. The council wanted the issue to be polled through the Brinkley Manor HOA. The poll returned that the residents would like controlled parking on the part of E. Wainscott from Marley to Sewell streets but not from Old New Market Road to Marley, where the parking stripes are currently located; however, they would like curb markings instead of the lines on the pavement. Mr. Burnett presented industry standards for pavement markings and noted that curb markings do not work as effectively for parallel parking as for perpendicular parking. Mr. Burnett also discussed that using a water blasting procedure was the proper way to remove the parking lines with minimal damage.

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*Motion:* Councilman Rossman made a Motion to remove the existing parking lines from E. Wainscott using the water blasting method and no additional lines along E. Wainscott, especially from Marley to Sewell

*Second:* Councilman Kimble

*Discussion:* None

*Public Comment:* None

*Vote:* For – 5 (Rossman, Kimble, Chance, Weatherly, Wright)  
Against – 0  
Abstain – 0  
Absent – 0

**The Motion passed.**

**Public Comment:** Carolyn Pritchard

### **Forest Easements & Sureties for Marley Commons**

Mr. Burnett presented the Forest Resource Deed of Easement Maintenance and Covenants Agreement and the Two-Year Forest Improvements and Protection Agreement (“FIPA”) for Marley Commons. There was discussion regarding the removal of so many trees and the choice of replacement. Mr. Burnett will check with staff regarding different options.

*Motion:* Councilman Kimble made a Motion authorizing the Mayor to sign the Forest Resource Deed Easement and the FIPA

*Second:* Councilman Weatherly

*Discussion:* None

*Public Comment:* None

*Vote:* For – 5 (Rossman, Kimble, Chance, Weatherly, Wright)  
Against – 0  
Abstain – 0  
Absent – 0

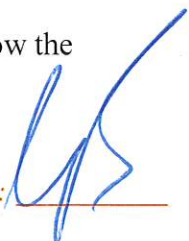
**The Motion passed.**

### **8<sup>th</sup> Alley Visibility**

Councilman Rossman has been approached by a concerned resident regarding 8<sup>th</sup> Alley, pulling out and coming up 875. Visibility is low in turning there. The resident requested a mirror to see upcoming traffic. Mr. Burnett stated that mirrors are not a standard industry device. They require maintenance, cleaning, and replacement when broken. He discussed the possibility of a raised pedestrian crosswalk on the west side (Prospect Pantry/Fleshman’s) or a pedestrian node. There was also a discussion regarding a speed study. Councilman Rossman to collect speed camera data for about two (2) weeks in both directions using the in-house speed cameras.

Mayor Burhans reported that Mr. Wantz is working on an Ordinance that would allow the approval of signs to be done administratively.

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Councilman Rossman will reinstall the “Children in Play” sign.

**Messanelle Park**

Councilman Kimble asked that this item be rescheduled to the October meeting. He estimates the project cost around \$12,000 - \$15,000 and would like to have it done in the spring. Mayor Burhans mentioned the possibility of getting grant help from our Grants Administrator.

**LIAISON REPORTS**

Councilman Weatherly discussed the upcoming New Market Walk to School Day on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. This event is part of the Walking & Wheeling Wolves. He requested that the Mayor and Council participate. Councilman Weatherly wanted to say that Claire Cawthon has done a fantastic job organizing this program. He also mentioned that the Green Team, in coordination with the Rotary Club, is scheduled to have a Community Clean-up Day on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Wright asked about the feasibility of moving the speed cameras and, if possible, to move them to Old New Market Road. He also mentioned that he had been approached about a white Dodge Ram truck exhibiting road rage in Town, which has become a recurring problem.

Councilman Rossman reminded everyone about the Linganore New Market Community Show scheduled for October 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Comment:** Charlie Barry – speed camera issue. He read his statement into the record and provided the Clerk with a copy of the statement.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Decision:* Councilman Kimble made a Motion to Adjourn the meeting  
*Second:* Councilman Weatherly  
*Vote:* For – 5 (Rossman, Kimble, Chance, Weatherly, Wright)  
Against – 0  
Abstain – 0  
Absent – 0  
**The Motion passed.**

**The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Mitchell  
Clerk to Mayor and Town Council

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