

1 **Minutes of the New Market**  
2 **Town Council Meeting**  
3 **October 26, 2009**  
4 **7:30 pm**  
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6 The New Market Town Council met in the Council Chambers of the Arthur L.  
7 Hildreth, Jr. Municipal Building on Monday, October 26, 2009 with the following  
8 members present: Larry Smith, Mayor, John Blosser, Vice Mayor, Ripley Click, Harry  
9 Durrett, Eddie Litten, Gary Comer and Troy Fadeley.

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11 Town Attorney – Jason Ham  
12 Town Manager – Chris Boies  
13 Town Clerk – Jeanne Rinker  
14 Visitors and Press – See attached sheet  
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16 Mayor Smith called the meeting to order and established that a quorum was  
17 present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.  
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19 **Approval of the Agenda**  
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21 **Mr. Litten moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Comer seconded the motion**  
22 **which carried unanimously.**  
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24 **Consent Agenda**  
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26 Mayor Smith presented the consent agenda which included the minutes from the  
27 September 21<sup>st</sup> Council meeting and the Financial Statements for September. **Mr.**  
28 **Comer moved to approve the consent agenda and Mr. Fadeley seconded. The**  
29 **motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.**  
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31 **Public Hearing:** There were no public hearings.  
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33 **Citizen Comments and Petitions:** There were no citizen comments or petitions.  
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35 **Committee Reports**  
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37 **Finance and Personnel:** Mr. Fadeley reported that the Finance & Personnel Committee  
38 did not meet in October.  
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40 **Public Works:** Mr. Blosser reported that the Public Works Committee met on Monday,  
41 October 5, 2009 with all members present. The first agenda item was discussion and  
42 consideration of the Shady Lane Drainage Project. Following discussion the Committee  
43 voted unanimously to recommend to Council to hire Bushman Engineering to redesign  
44 the project to crown the road, improve the ditches and some piping in order to correct the  
45 problems there.  
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47 The Committee approved a revised request from Shenandoah County Soccer  
48 League for use of the soccer field in the Town Park. They also approved a request from  
49 A.J Connor Construction for an extension to the time period for completing the I&I  
50 Project and received an update on the force main project.

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52 **Public Safety:** Mr. Comer recounted that the Public Safety Committee met on Monday,  
53 October 5, 2009 with all members present. The only thing on the agenda was discussion  
54 of Ordinance #70, the incorporation of newly adopted traffic laws into the Town of New  
55 Market's code. The Committee voted unanimously to recommend to full Council the  
56 adoption of this ordinance.

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58 **Tourism, Economic Development, & Historic Preservation:** Chairman Harry Durrett  
59 reported that the Tourism, Economic Development, & Historic Preservation Committee  
60 did not meet in October.

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62 **Action Items:**

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64 The first action item was discussion and consideration of awarding a contract to  
65 Bushman Engineering to redesign the Shady Lane Drainage project. **Mr. Comer made a**  
66 **motion to approve the awarding of this contract to Bushman Engineering. The**  
67 **motion was seconded by Mr. Durrett and carried on a unanimous roll call vote.**

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69 The second and final action item was discussion and consideration of Ordinance  
70 #70, the incorporation of newly adopted state traffic laws into the Town of New Market  
71 Criminal Code. **Mr. Comer moved to adopt Ordinance #70 and Mr. Litten seconded.**  
72 **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

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74 **Mayor's Comments**

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76 Mayor Smith presented the following Comments: "I really don't have that much  
77 to say, but I was at the Virginia Municipal League Conference and went to a mayors'  
78 institute with the other mayors. In talking with other mayors I found we have a terrific  
79 council and we get our business done and taken care of well along with our Town staff.  
80 You need to be proud of your Town when you go to a meeting like that and meet with  
81 other mayors and hear some of the problems they're having."

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83 "I thought the 'Autumn Days' went well. I walked around town a little bit and  
84 went to the craft shows. I understand that the Chamber is moving 'Heritage Days' back  
85 to when it used to be. That should be good, that and the fact that I judged a pie baking  
86 contest yesterday and survived. I think the Reese's pie won. It was really good. Other  
87 than that there's not too much going on."

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89 **Council Comments:** There were no Council comments.

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91 **Staff Comments:** Town planner, Mr. Neese, announced that the Comprehensive Plan  
92 subcommittee will be meeting Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm in the conference room.

93 He stated, "It's more of a work session than a public input session. We're going to be  
94 reviewing some updated information and statistics. They go into several chapters in the  
95 plan. We won't be working on any goals or policies, just reviewing and updating  
96 information."

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98 Mr. Boies asked Chief Peery if he was going to speak about the items he received  
99 for the child safety program. Chief Peery said he would do it at a later date when all the  
100 items have been received. The plan is to set up a display in the parking lot for all the  
101 Council to see.

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103 **Closed Session:** There was no closed session to be held.

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105 **Adjournment:** Mayor Smith asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Litten and others so  
106 moved and the meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

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Larry Smith, Mayor

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Jeanne K. Rinker, Town Clerk

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