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2 **New Market Town Council Meeting Minutes**  
3 **May 19, 2008**  
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 with the following members present: Tom Constable,  
8 Jr., Mayor, John Blosser, Vice Mayor, Ripley Click, Mary Alice Burch, Eddie Litten,  
9 Gary Comer, and Troy Fadeley.

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11 Town Attorney – Jason Ham  
12 Town Manager – Evan Vass  
13 Town Clerk – Jeanne Rinker  
14 Visitors and Press – See attached sheet  
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16 **I. Call to Order and Establishment of a Quorum**  
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18 Mayor Constable called the May 2008 meeting of the New Market Town Council  
19 into session at 7:30 pm and established that a quorum was present.  
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21 **II. Pledge of Allegiance**  
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23 The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.  
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25 **III. Recognition of Visitors**  
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27 Mayor Constable welcomed all visitors to the meeting.  
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29 **IV. Amendments to Agenda**  
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31 There were no amendments to the agenda.  
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33 **V. Consent Agenda**  
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35 Mayor Constable presented the Consent Agenda which included the minutes from  
36 the Council meeting held on April 21, 2008, a special Council meeting /Public Hearing  
37 on April 21, 2008, and the Financial Statements for April 2008. Mr. Comer moved to  
38 approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Fadeley seconded the motion which  
39 passed on a vote of: ayes (6) nays (0).  
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41 **VI. Public Hearings**  
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43 There were no public hearings.  
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45 **VII. Citizens Comments and Petitions**  
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49 **VIII. Announcements**

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51 None.

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53 **IX. Town Manager's Report**

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55 Mr. Vass stated that there were four items eligible for Council action.

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57 (1) Discussion and consideration of Ordinance #60, the adoption of the fiscal  
58 year 2008-2009 annual budget. This also adopts the Town's tax rates and user fees.

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60 (2) Discussion and consideration of accepting 0.08 acres of property from the  
61 New Market Community Center to the Town of New Market at Rebel Park. This  
62 acquisition of land will permanently alleviate a property line set back issue which has  
63 existed for several years.

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65 (3) Discussion and consideration of amending the Town's zoning ordinance to  
66 regulate portable storage units within the Town. The Planning Commission  
67 recommended approval of this text amendment at their May 5, 2008 meeting.

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69 (4) Discussion and consideration of adopting Resolution #185 supporting the  
70 adoption of a regional water supply plan administered by the Northern Shenandoah  
71 Valley Regional Commission on behalf of the Town of New Market. The Public Works  
72 Committee recommended approval of this resolution at their May 5, 2008 meeting.

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74 Mr. Vass stated that he didn't have any "Other" issues with updated information.  
75 He had hoped to have some new information on regionalization of wastewater treatment,  
76 but didn't have anything at that time. He expected to be receiving some numbers in the  
77 very near future.

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79 He reported that a very productive meeting took place with VDOT regarding the  
80 storm water problem the poultry plant was having.

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81 Mayor Constable presented the first item eligible for Council action, discussion  
82 and consideration of Ordinance #60, the adoption of the fiscal year 2008-2009 annual  
83 budget. Mr. Fadeley moved to adopt Ordinance #60 and Mr. Comer seconded. The  
84 motion passed on the following roll call vote: ayes (6) nays (0).

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86 Regarding the second item eligible for Council action, Mr. Fadeley made the  
87 following motion: "I move that, pursuant to section 15.2-1803 of the Code of Virginia,  
88 that the Town of New Market accepts the 3493 square feet of land from the New Market  
89 Community Center, Inc. as referenced on a plat by Newman Surveying dated April 30,  
90 2008, and waive the requirements of the Subdivision Ordinance in accordance with  
91 section 50-8 of the New Market Subdivision Ordinance, and to grant authority to the

92 Town Manager to sign the necessary legal documents on behalf of the Town of New  
93 Market to accept the 3493 square feet of land from the New Market Community Center.”  
94 Mr. Litten seconded the motion. Mr. Click commended the Community Center for their  
95 donation which solved a long, ongoing problem for everyone concerned. The Council  
96 and Mayor voiced their thanks for the Center’s generosity. The motion passed on the  
97 following roll call vote: ayes (5) nays (0). Mr. Comer abstained from voting due to the  
98 fact that he is a member of the Board of Directors of the Community Center.  
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100 The third item eligible for Council action was discussion and consideration of  
101 amending the Town’s zoning ordinance to regulate portable storage units (pods) within  
102 the Town. The mayor referred to Pages 38 – 41 of the Council packet for the text  
103 amendment being considered. Mr. Litten made a motion to adopt the amended ordinance  
104 as presented. Mr. Blosser seconded the motion which passed on the following roll call  
105 vote: ayes (6) nays (0).  
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107 The final item eligible for Council action was discussion and consideration of  
108 adopting Resolution #185 supporting the adoption of a regional water supply plan  
109 administered by the Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission on behalf of the  
110 Town of New Market. Mr. Blosser moved to adopt Resolution #185 as presented on  
111 pages 42 and 43 of the packet. Mr. Fadeley seconded. The motion passed on the  
112 following roll call vote: ayes (6) nays (0).  
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## 114 X. Committee Reports 115

116 **Finance and Personnel:** Mr. Fadeley reported that the committee met on May 5,  
117 2008. A quorum was present but there was no business on the agenda so the meeting was  
118 adjourned.  
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120 **Public Works:** Chairman Mr. John Blosser reported that the committee met on  
121 May 5, 2008 with all members present. They received a request from Mr. Blaney for the  
122 Town to annex an area on Shipp Street so that water/sewer connections could be made  
123 available if the property was developed. The committee tabled the issue for further  
124 discussion. Regarding other agenda items, the committee took the following actions:  
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- 126 • Voted to recommend to full Council approval of Resolution #185 regarding  
127 regional water supply planning
- 128 • Agreed to advertise for bids on the former Smith Creek Water Filtration Plant, as  
129 is, with the right to refuse any and all bids
- 130 • Received an update on the Regional Wastewater Facility
- 131 • Discussed a request for free admission to the pool for Shenandoah County Fire  
132 and Rescue volunteers for the summer 2008 season and voted to deny the request.  
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134 A special Meeting of the Public Works Committee was held on May15, 2008 with  
135 a presentation on utility mapping and GIS by Mr. David Bradshaw of Interactive GIS.  
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137           **Public Safety:** Mr. Comer reported that the committee met on May 5, 2008 with  
138 all members present. There was no new business on the agenda. Chief Peery gave an  
139 update on the new colors and lettering on the police cruisers.

140           Mr. Comer reminded everyone that the “Click it or Ticket” campaign would be  
141 taking place the last two weeks in May.  
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143           **Tourism, Economic Development, and Historic Preservation:** Ms. Burch reported  
144 that the committee met on May 5, 2008 with a quorum present. There was no  
145 business on the agenda so the meeting adjourned.  
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147           **Planning Commission:** Mr. Blosser reported that the Planning Commission met on  
148 May 5, 2008 and held a joint public hearing on adopting a text amendment regarding  
149 portable storage containers. The Commission voted to recommend to full Council  
150 that this text amendment be adopted.

151           The Commission discussed excessive occupancy and voted to take the issue to a  
152 public hearing.

153           The Commission voted to approve Mrs. Mary Jean Fleming’s request to allow the  
154 home she is building to face Par Drive.

155           The Commission received the Zoning Administrator’s report.  
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#### 157           **XI. Council’s Comments**

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#### 161           **XII. Mayor’s Comments**

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163           Mayor Constable reiterated his thanks to Mr. Gordy Farrey for the donation of the  
164 land from the Community Center and urged him to pass along his gratitude to the  
165 other board members.

166           The mayor then introduced and welcomed the mayor-elect, Mr. Larry Smith. He  
167 commented on the recent election and praised the Town Council, Town Manager, and  
168 members of the staff for their dedicated service to the Town. Special recognition was  
169 given to Ms. Mary Alice Burch who has devoted many hours of service to the  
170 Chamber of Commerce, Heritage Days, the Fourth of July Celebrations, and other  
171 projects that the Town has undertaken.  
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#### 173           **XIII. Closed Meeting**

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#### 177           **XIV. Adjournment**

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Thomas Constable, Jr., Mayor

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Jeanne K. Rinker, Town Clerk