

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH  
COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEETING  
MARCH 6, 2017**

620 West Chestnut Street  
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger (absent)

Scott Bomboy

Chuck Brooks

Aaron Clark

Florence Frei (absent)

Suzanne Kravitz (absent)

Steve Pizzollo

Jim Purcell

Jim Ryder

Youth Councilor:

Jakob Aigeldinger (absent)

Mayor:

John Hollenbach

Borough Manager:

Andrea L. Coaxum

Police Chief:

Steve Hillias

Finance Director:

Joe Berardi

Public Works Director:

Dan Gilbert

Electric Superintendent:

Harold Stone

Park and Recreation Director:

Carolyn Hanel

Borough Solicitor:

Nathan Fox

Borough Council President Jim Ryder convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Mayor Hollenbach gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENTATION BUCKS COUNTY TOUR OF HONOR (FORMERLY HONOR FLIGHT)**

Christine Ferrara, First Deputy of the Recorder of Deeds presented Perkasie Borough and the Perkasie Fire Company with a Certificate of Appreciation for its continued participation in the Tour of Honor project.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Ordinance #1003-Tree Trimming

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously opened the public hearing. Solicitor Fox explained the purpose of the hearing was to amend Chapter 175 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to tree trimming. The floor was opened for comments from the public for which there was none. Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously closed the hearing.

## Ordinance #1004-Increase Number of Members on Park and Recreation Board

A public hearing was held to receive comments on an amendment to Chapter 123 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to the membership of the Park and Recreation Board. No comments were received. Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously closed the hearing.

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

### **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING**

#### Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Works Superintendent's Report for February 2017.

#### Discuss Ordinance for Town Center Parking Regulations

Committee members reviewed a draft ordinance prepared by the Solicitor combining all comments and input related to parking issues in the town center area. It was agreed some additional changes were needed. A new draft ordinance would be available for review at the March 20 Council meeting.

### **PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE MEETING**

#### Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Utility Superintendent's Report for February 2017.

#### Perkasie Wholesale Power Cost Summary

The Committee reviewed Perkasie's January 2017 Wholesale Power Cost Summary report provided by GDS Associates

#### Consider Ordinance #1003-Tree Trimming

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved Ordinance #1003, amending Chapter 175 of the Perkasie Borough Code of Ordinances pertaining to trimming and maintenance of trees.

### **PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE**

#### Code Enforcement Officer Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly reports for February 2017.

## **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

### Park and Recreation Director Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Park and Recreation Director's monthly report for February 2017.

### Consider Lease Renewal for Menlo Aquatic Center Concession Stand

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved a one year renewal of the lease agreement between the Borough of Perkasio and Rita's Wudder Ice for the 2017 pool season snack stand operation as allowed under the 2016 lease.

### Consider Request to Hold Pennridge Community Day

Upon motion by Ryder, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved a request from Pennridge Community Day to hold its annual event in Lenape Park on Sunday, July 9, 2017 with a raindate of July 16, 2017.

### Consider Park Reservation for Trinity Church Easter Egg Hunt

Upon motion by Ryder, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved a park reservation from Trinity Lutheran Church to reserve the Menlo pavilion on April 15, 2017 from 9:30AM to 11:00AM to hold an Easter Egg Hunt.

### Consider Event Permit Application to Hold Baptism in the Creek

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Ryder, Council unanimously approved Blooming Glen Mennonite Church to hold an outdoor church worship service and baptism in the creek on Sunday, May 21, 2017 from 8:00AM to 1:00PM at Kulp Memorial Park. Permission also granted to park on both sides of the street during the event.

### Consider Park Reservations for Guth Elementary

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously agreed to approve a park reservation for Guth Elementary School to reserve the Menlo pavilions on May 30 and May 31, 2017 from 12:00-1:00PM for a local heritage field trip.

### Consider Ordinance #1004-Increase Number of Members on Park and Recreation Board

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Brooks, Council unanimously approved Ordinance #1004, amending Section 124-31.A. of the Perkasio Borough Code of Ordinances pertaining to membership on the Park and Recreation Board.

### Consider Donation to Best Foot Forward

Upon motion by Ryder, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously agreed to approve a donation of four daily pool passes to the Menlo Aquatics Center to the Best Foot Forward Event benefit on April 29, 2017.

Announce “Building a New Tomorrow” with Oldcastle Precast, Amphitheater Project”

Perkasie Borough was selected as a recipient of a community funding program through Oldcastle Precast to construct an Amphitheater in Lenape Park. The Amphitheater will provide community events that help the Borough maintain that small town feel.

**PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE**

Consider Accepting Resignation from Planning Commission Member

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously accepted the resignation of Rich Hendricks from the Perkasie Planning Commission. Further, a motion to authorize staff to advertise a vacancy on the Perkasie Planning Commission.

Analysis of Borough Overtime-2015-2016

A memo regarding an analysis of overtime in the Public Works, Electric and Police Departments was reviewed. It was agreed to review the information in more detail at the March 20, 2017 Council meeting.

Hiring of Replacement Entry Level Police Officers

Committee members reviewed a memo from Police Chief Hillias about hiring of replacement entry level police officers to get the police department back up to 18 authorized officers. The police department is currently functioning with 15 officers. It was agreed to discuss this matter more at the March 20 Council meeting

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Consider Donation to Pennridge Community Day

Upon motion by Brooks, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved a request from Pennridge Community Day Inc. for a donation to the annual Pennridge Community day event on July 9, 2017 in the amount of \$500.00.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Community and Economic Development Director Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Community and Economic Development Directors February 2017 report.

Discuss Town Center Clock Restoration Proposals

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously approved the street clock refurbishment proposal presented by Elderhorst Bells, Inc., including the two add-ons, for a total cost of \$13,750 using donated funds.

## **QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE**

No business to come before the Committee.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

Mary Antczak of 718 Shadywood Drive had questions regarding staffing in the police department.

## **PRESS FORUM**

None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.



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Andrea L. Coaxum  
Borough Manager/Secretary