MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 17, 2017

620 West Chestnut Street Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member: Matt Aigeldinger

Scott Bomboy Chuck Brooks Aaron Clark Suzanne Kravitz Steve Pizzollo Jim Purcell Jim Ryder

Youth Councilor: Jakob Aigeldinger (absent)

Mayor: John Hollenbach

Borough Manager: Andrea L. Coaxum (absent)

Finance Director:

Police Chief:

Public Works Director:

Joe Berardi

Steve Hillias

Dan Gilbert

Electric Superintendent: Harold Stone (absent)

Parks and Recreation Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Carolyn Hanel

Nate Fox

Borough Engineer:

Community and Economic Development Director:

Doug Rossino
Steve Barth

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

PUBLIC FORUM

Bob Wasson, Chairman, and Steve Algeo, Treasurer, of the Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority spoke favorably for Steve Rose endorsing him to fill the Council vacancy in ward #2 formerly held by Florence Frei.

Mary Antezak of 718 Shadywood Drive addressed Council with concerns about the left hand turn lanes at 5th Street and Blooming Glen Drive.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

None.

Consider Appointment of Borough Council Member-Resolution #2017-12

The floor was opened for nominations to fill the vacancy in Ward #2 formerly held by Florence Frei. Steve Pizzollo nominated Steve Rose, which was seconded by Jim Purcell. Chucks Brooks nominated Justin Stottlar, which was seconded by Scott Bomboy. By roll call vote, Council members Aigeldinger, Clark, Kravitz, Pizzollo, and Purcell voted for Steve Rose. Council members Scott Bomboy, Chuck Brooks, and Jim Ryder voted for Justin Stottlar. By a 5-3 vote, Steve Rose was appointed to Borough Council for the reminder of the unexpired term through 2017.

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council approved Resolution #2017-12, appointing Steve Rose to Perkasie Borough Council as a second ward representative to serve until the first Monday in January after the first municipal election.

<u>Presentation by Scott Bomboy-Bucks County Community College Internship Project About</u> Perkasie's Town Center

Councilman Scott Bomboy presented his findings of his internship project to the Borough Council on Historic Preservation in Perkasie. Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously agreed that the Borough should create a Historic Preservation Study Committee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of March 20, 2017 and April 3, 2017.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

The Mayor stated that the Pennridge Little League Parade will be held this coming Saturday, April 22. He also encouraged the Borough to write a letter of concern regarding the closing of Perkasie's district court office.

Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for March 2017.

Budget Status

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for March 2017.

Engineer's Report

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo , Council unanimously accepted the engineer's monthly report March 2017.

Planning Commission Report

Borough Council members reviewed the Planning Commission meeting minutes of March 29, 2017.

Zoning Hearing Board Report

No report to review.

Police Report

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously accepted the March 2017 Police Department report.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

Consider Resolution #2017-13: A Resolution in Defense of Municipal Owned Electric Systems in PA

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2017-13, a resolution in defense of Borough operated municipal electric systems in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Pennridge Airport Business Park-Preliminary Plan Presentation

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2017-21 granting approval to the Pennridge Development Enterprises Inc. preliminary land development plan.

Consider Resolution #217-14, Escrow Release: Lot 2-Tunnel Road

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2017-14, authorizing a reduction in the escrow for the Lippincott/Jacoby tract subdivision as approved by Gilmore & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$13,604.50 to reduce

the total escrow to \$0 and authorizing the signature of the Borough Manager and Borough Council President on the escrow reduction.

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Consider Grant Application Resolution #2017-15: 2017-DCNR- Menlo Park Playground Replacement

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously granted approval to Resolution #2017-15, authorizing application to the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the Menlo Park Playground Replacement Project.

Consider Event Permit Application to Hold Soap Box Derby

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously granted permission to the Indian Valley Soap Box Association to hold a race on 9th Street in Perkasie on May 13, 2017 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Permission to close 9th Street near the police station is also approved.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Consider Resolution #2017-20, Honorable Discharge and Termination of Heart and Lung Benefits of a Police Officer

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2017-20 to cease the heart and lung benefits for Officer Baughman effective April 23, 2017 and honorably discharge Officer Baughman as a Perkasie Borough Police Officer effective April 23, 2017.

Consider Appointment of Youth Delegate to Park and Recreation Board

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously appointed Cameron Sadler as a youth delegate to the Park and Recreation Board.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Authorization to Pay Bills

Upon a motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted payment of the bills as presented.

Consider Resolution #2017-19, Small Games of Chance

Upon motion by Brooks, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2017-19 which will petition the state congress to support the removal of the aggregate prize limit on games of chance from the current level of \$35,000 in a seven day period.

Consider Resolution #2017-16, Contract for Email Hosting

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council approved Resolution #2017-16, a resolution of the Perkasie Borough Council approving the contract between Perkasie Borough and Appriver for email hosting, storage, security and archive services.

Consider Resolution #2017-17, Sales of Radios

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Resolution 2017-17 the sale of surplus police radios to All Season Distribution in the amount of \$610.00.

Consider Resolution #2017-18, Sale of Borough Property Value Less Than \$1,000

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Brooks, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2017-18 adopting a procedure to authorize the Borough staff to sell individual items or lots of items with a fair market value of less than \$1,000 without approval of Council.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Presentation by Community and Economic Development Director

Steve Barth gave an update on Economic Development activities so far for 2017.

Community and Economic Development Director Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Community and Economic Development Directors March 29, 2017 report.

Consider Advertising Ordinance #1005, Town Center Parking Regulations

Upon motion by Brooks, seconded by Clark, Council considered authorizing the advertisement authorizing the Borough Solicitor and Manager to draft a town center parking regulation ordinance and schedule a public hearing for a future meeting. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the motion with the exception of Jim Purcell, who voted against it. Motion carried 8-1.

Consider Parking Placards

It was agreed to look into this matter further once the town center parking regulations have been established.

QUALITY OF LIFE TASK FORCE

No business to come before this committee.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC FORUM

Kevin Roberts of 625 E. Walnut St, #304, asked about the status of the closing of the Walnut Street bridge at Constitution Avenue.

PRESS FORUM

Questions from the press were received and answered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:55PM.

Andrea L. Coaxum Borough Manager/Secretary