

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 17, 2020**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger (absent)

Scott Bomboy

Chuck Brooks

Aaron Clark

Randy Faulkner

Steve Pizzollo

Jim Purcell

Steve Rose

Jim Ryder

Ana McGrath (absent)

John Hollenbach

Andrea L. Coaxum

Glenn Dickerson

Jeff Garton

Doug Rossino

Jeff Tulone

Megan Prusienski (absent)

Harold Stone (absent)

Youth Delegate

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Finance Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Borough Engineer:

Public Works Director:

Parks and Recreation Director:

Electric Superintendent:

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

None.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

None.

PERKASIE TOWN IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION: NEW COMMUNITY NEWS WEBSITE ANNOUNCEMENT

On behalf of the Perkasie Town Improvement Association Joe Ferry announced the launch of a new website PERKASIETODAY.COM. This website is a product of the Perkasie Town Improvement Association. It is a compilation of local government news, service organizations, a calendar of events, regional news, police news, upcoming events and Bucks County government news and more.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of January 20, 2020 and February 3, 2020.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

The Mayor reported that over 200 people attended the Beef and Beer Fundraiser for the Hillias family on February 15 at the Sellersville Fire House and over \$10,000 was raised. Also the Mayor said the South Perkasio Covered Bridge is close to meeting its fundraising goal of \$100,000.

Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Brooks, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for January 2020.

Budget Status

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for January 2020.

Engineer's Report

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Brooks, Council unanimously accepted the engineer's monthly report for January 2020.

Planning Commission Report

No report.

Zoning Hearing Board Report

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted the Zoning Hearing Board report for January 16, 2020.

Police Report

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted the Police report for January 2020.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Review of Superintendent's Report

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously accepted the Public Works Committee Superintendent's report for January 2020.

Discuss Traffic Issues-Market Street from 9th Street to 5th Street

Councilmembers discussed how to calm traffic on Market Street from 9th Street to 5th Street. There has been a growing concern about the area as pedestrian traffic increases with new businesses and traffic seems to be increasing in volume and speed. Council requested the Borough engineer obtain costs for a traffic study to determine what options were available.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Electric Superintendent's report for January 2020.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Code Enforcement Officer Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly reports for January 2020.

Consider Resolution #2020-7, Amended Final Plan, Perkasio Green/Cedar Ridge

Upon motion by Bomboy, seconded by Pizzollo, Council considered a Resolution #2020-7, a resolution of the Borough Council approving the final subdivision plan for Perkasio Green, formerly known as the Zavitsanos tract including 24 waivers, subject to the conditions listed in the resolution. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the Resolution with the exception of Jim Purcell who voted against it. Motion carried 7-1.

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Park and Recreation Director Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Park and Recreation Director's monthly report for January 2020.

Consider Donation to St. Jude School Fundraiser

Upon motion by Brooks, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously agreed to donate four daily Menlo Aquatics Center pool passes for the 2020 season to the St. Jude School for the Spring benefit.

Consider Donation to Faith Christian Academy Fundraiser

Upon motion by Brooks, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously agreed to donate four daily Menlo Aquatics Center pool passes for the 2020 season to the Faith Christian Academy fundraising event held on May 2, 2020.

Consider Donation Request from Quakertown Rotary Club

Upon motion by Brooks, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously agreed to donate four daily Menlo Aquatics Center pool passes for the 2020 season to the Quakertown Rotary Club fundraising event held on May 1, 2020.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Consider Appointment to Perkasio Regional Authority Board

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Rose, Ben Rainear was unanimously appointed to the Perkasio Regional Authority Board for a five year unexpired term through December 31, 2020.

Consider Appointment as an Alternate to the Civil Service Commission

This appointment was tabled until the March 2, 2020 Council meeting.

Consider Resolution #2020-8, Appointing Fire Police Officers

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2020-8 authorizing the Borough of Perkasio to appoint fire police to regulate traffic and keep crowds under control.

Consider Resolution #2020-9, Authorizing Fire Police Assistance for Special Events

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2020-9 authorizing the Perkasio Fire Company to assist for special events and times of emergencies.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Authorization to Pay Bills

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

Consider Resolution #2020-6, Escrow Release 501 East Walnut Street-The Perk

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2020-6 to authorize a reduction in the escrow for the Perk at 501 East Walnut Street as approved by Gilmore and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$6,300.00 to reduce the total escrow to \$6,879.00 and to authorize the signature of the Borough Manager on the escrow reduction.

Consider Resolution #2020-10, Escrow Release 550 E. Callowhill Street

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Steve Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2020-10 to authorize a reduction in the escrow for 550 E. Callowhill Street as approved by Gilmore and Associates and authorize the return of any remaining escrow balance to the applicant.

Discuss Potential 2020 CDBG Application

It was the consensus of Council to apply for the 2020 CDBG Grant for adding a handicap ramp to the front of Borough Hall and 3 handicap parking areas and accessible routes that need to be added near Borough Hall.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Community and Economic Development Director Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Community and Economic Development Directors January 2020 report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Discuss Draft Fireworks Permit

Council reviewed the Fireworks Display Permit Application and agreed to move ahead with using the application to process firework display permits and update the fee resolution.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Discuss Hometown Hero Banner Project

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously authorized the staff to begin work on a Hometown Hero Banner Program to be installed on Borough-owned utility poles along 5th Street.

PUBLIC FORUM

Paul Clymer of the Harztzell Crouthamel American Legion Post 2980 of Perkasio told Council the Legion will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary of the Legion Post.

PRESS FORUM

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.



Andrea L. Coaxum
Borough Manager/Secretary