

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 26, 2020**

620 West Chestnut Street  
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger  
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

Youth Delegate

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Finance Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Under provisions approved by the Pennsylvania State Open Records office, Perkasie Borough Council met via video conferencing on March 26, 2020 at 3:00PM. The meeting was live-streamed on the Borough's You Tube channel and the Borough's website at perkasiaborough.org.

Borough Council President Jim Ryder convened the meeting at 3:00 PM. Mayor Hollenbach gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE**

Discuss Electric Utility Rates in Light of COVID-19

Council members started discussions with talking about a reduction in the bill for electric used between March and April to help ease the financial burden associated with COVID-19 virus. Reductions in the electric rate of 20% to as much as 100% were suggestions made by several Council members and the Mayor. Upon motion by Ryder, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously authorized the Solicitor to prepare an ordinance that will adjust electric bills for the period March 15 to April 15, reducing the bill by 50%.

The total reduction in electric bills for the month is about \$350,000. Some of the money would come from funds that have been set aside to do a second round of road repairs this year and money in the capital fund. Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously agreed to not proceed with sending out a second road bid.

Council members said they are open to discussions about further rate reductions to support electric residents through the crisis and will monitor the situation monthly.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

**PRESS FORUM**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:25PM.



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Andrea L. Coaxum  
Borough Manager/Secretary