MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH **COUNCIL MEETING JULY 18, 2022**

620 West Chestnut Street Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Scott Bomboy (Absent)

Chuck Brooks (Called in remotely)

Aaron Clark Randy Faulkner Jim Purcell Steve Rose

Dave Weaver (Absent) Dave Worthington

Youth Councilor:

Borough Manager:

Borough Solicitor:

Mayor:

Parks and Recreation Director: Community Development Manager:

Borough Engineer:

Police Chief:

Electric Superintendent:

Public Works Director:

Jim Ryder

Robin Reid

Andrea L. Coaxum

Jeff Garton Jeff Hollenbach Lauren Moll

Linda Reid Doug Rossino

Robert Schurr (Absent)

Harold Stone Jeff Tulone

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

Jim Ryder thanked the Rotary Club for their participation in organizing the 50th Anniversary Pennridge Community Day in Lenape Park.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously approved the revised Council meeting minutes of May 16, 2022 and meeting minutes of June 20, 2022. Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously approved the Economic Development Committee meeting of June 13, 2022.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

Mayor Jeff Hollenbach thanked the Electric Department, Public Works Department, Perkasie Fire Department, Perkasie Police Department, and Paul Lorenz Perkasie Rotary Club and its members for a great Pennridge Community Day.

Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for June 2022.

Budget Status

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for June 2022.

Engineer's Report

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously accepted the engineer's monthly report for June 2022.

Planning Commission Report

The Committee reviewed the report from Gilmore Associates for the Planning Commission meeting of June 22, 2022.

Zoning Hearing Board Report

Council reviewed a Zoning Hearing Board application submitted by Thomas Price of 510 South 4th Street.

Police Report

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Faulkner, the June 2022 Police report was unanimously accepted.

Fire Department Update

Fire Chief Jason Trotter updated Council on the Fire Company's recent calls and activities.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the June 2022 Public Works monthly report.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Electric Superintendent's report for June 2022.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Code Enforcement Officer Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly reports for June 2022.

Consider Resolution #2022-36, Escrow Release Green Ridge Estates East

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2022-36, a resolution of the Borough of Perkasie authorizing a reduction in the escrow for the Green Ridge Estates East Project as approved by Gilmore and Associates, in the amount of \$82,955.10 to reduce the total escrow to \$300,748.43 and authorizing the signature of the Borough Manager on the escrow reduction.

PARK AND RECREATION

Park and Recreation Director Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Park and Recreation Directors report for June 2022.

Consider Resolution #2022-37, MTF Grant Submission-Liberty Bell Trail Connections

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2022-37, a resolution of the Borough of Perkasie requesting a multimodal transportation fund grant of \$2,058,180 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the construction of a pedestrian connection to the Liberty Bell Trail.

Consider Event Permit Application Guth Home and School Association

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approve the event permit application for the Guth Home and School Association to reserve a Menlo Pavilion to hold a Fall Festival on September 23, 2022 from 4:30PM to 8:00PM.

Consider Event Permit Application –Perkasie Towne Improvement Association

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously approved an event permit application for the Perkasie Towne Improvement Association's First Friday events on August 5, 2022, September 2, 2022, October 7, 2022, November 4, 2022, and December 2, 2022 from 4:30PM to 8:30PM and to close 7th Street between Market Street and Arch Street.

Consider Event Permit Application-Pennridge Aquatic Club

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously approved the Pennridge Aquatic Club to reserve a Menlo Pavilion and the Menlo Aquatic Center for PAC's awards banquet and splash party on July 28, 2022 from 6:00PM to 8:00PM for the pavilion and 8:00PM to 9:45PM for the splash party.

Consider Waiving Fee for Pennridge Aquatic Club to Use Facility

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously waived the facility use fee for the Pennridge Aquatic Club's after hour's splash party.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Consider Hiring Pool Staff

Upon motion Clark, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously concurred with the Borough Manager's decision to hire new staff members for the Menlo Aquatics Center, contingent on completing all necessary paperwork, background clearances, and training classes as described in the staffing memo.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Authorization to Pay Bills

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

Consider Resolution #2022-38, Comcast Business Service Agreement 500 Constitution Avenue

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Purcell, Council considered Resolution #2022-38, a resolution of the Borough of Perkasie approving the Comcast Business Service Order Agreement between the Borough of Perkasie and Comcast for internet at 500 Constitution Avenue, bandstand, and authorizing the Borough Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the Borough of Perkasie for the amphitheater area only. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the motion with the exception of Aaron Clark who voted again it. Motion carried 5-1.

Consider ARPA Funding: Lenape Park Electronic Message Board

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved the purchase of double sided sign with an electronic message center for a price not to exceed \$60,985 using funding from the ARPA funding in the 2022 budget.

Consider Budget Amendment: Acid Room Exhaust Fan

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously approved the replacement of the acid room exhaust fan system at the Menlo Aquatics Center for a cost not to exceed \$10,490.

Consider Request from West Rockhill Township

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously agreed to donate 4 daily Menlo Aquatics Center pool tickets for 2023 to the West Rockhill Township Park and Recreation Septemberfest silent auction.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Community and Economic Development Director Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Community and Economic Development Directors June 2022 report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

None.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Jim Purcell reported that the field inspector for FEMA conducted an intensive assessment of the Perkasie Historic Covered Bridge for damages sustained from hurricane IDA in the Fall of 2021.

PUBLIC FORUM

Perkasie Fire Chief Jason Trotter suggested putting some type of protective screen around the new electronic message board going into Lenape Park.

PRESS FORUM

Questions from the press were received and answered.

REPORT FROM YOUTH COUNCILOR

No report.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:50PM

Andrea L. Coaxum Borough Manager/Secretary