

# **BOROUGH OF PERKASIE**

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# Perkasie Borough Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes

5:00pm. June 13, 2022 / Perkasie Borough Hall

In attendance: Committee Members: Bomboy, Faulkner, Rose / Council Members: Purcell, Ryder, Weaver, Worthington Management: Coaxum, Reid

## Comprehensive Plan update

Current plan was published in 2014. Agreement that certain sections require update given development and wider economic & community development. Committee & Council keen to ensure public comment and consultation in any updates to Comprehensive Plan.

Borough Manager to ask our land planner to assess progress against the goals of the current plan and recommend options for an update to sections related to land use, zoning, subdivision/land development, etc.

#### **Trail Grants**

Borough Manager and staff are working on new round of applications. Timing of trail updates will depend on raw material prices.

## **Donor Fund for Park System**

Committee agreed to consider a dedicated fund for donations to the park system and for historical resources with it. Borough Manager to work with our Finance Director on financial logistics and obtain solicitor opinion.

### **Encumbered Properties**

Borough Manager and Council to discuss options for properties limited by parking.

#### Freight Station project

Committee agreed that the freight station project is important for economic development and should be prioritized. Perkasie Borough to follow up with SEPTA and consider grant & funding options.

#### VRBO/AirBnB

VRBO and AirBnB uses are not currently addressed in the Borough's Zoning Ordinance.

Borough Manager to consider ordinance and refer item to Planning Commission or Planner as appropriate.

#### **Other Items:**

Committee actioned staff to obtain an update from PTIA about their façade grant program and their request for Façade grant funds.

Economic Development and Historical Committee working on long-term planning for Covered Bridge tour and 150th Anniversary event.

Meeting concluded at 5:57 p.m.

Andrea L. Coaxum Borough Manager/Secretary