

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 16, 2010**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Martin Gahman
Matt Aigeldinger
Stephen Algeo
Florence Frei
Richard Hendricks (absent)
Barbara Krantz (absent)
Chris Nicolosi
Jim Purcell
Maria Slowik
Joe Gilbert
John Hollenbach
Daniel P. Olpere
Andrea Coaxum
Joe Gura
Shannon Drosnock
Josh Aniskevich
Ann Weiss
News Herald
Daily Intelligencer

Youth Councilor:

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Assistant Manager:

Police Chief:

Finance Director:

Parks and Recreation Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Press Representatives:

Perkasie Borough Council President Marty Gahman convened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Hollenbach gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

Present was Susan Green of 624 East Walnut Street asked Council if the Borough's trash program is making a profit after reading a recent article in the News Herald newspaper.

Present was Luther Chontofalsky of 270 Parkridge Drive who stated he had a hard time trying to get a copy of a proposed ordinance on a recent visit to the Borough Office.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Gahman commented on the great turn out at the Perkasie Olde Towne's Under the Stars Car Show the past weekend.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Algeo, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of July 19, 2010.

Upon motion by Nicolosi, seconded by Frei, Council unanimously approved the Council Committee meeting minutes of August 2, 2010.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

Mayor Hollenbach asked youth delegate Joe Gilbert to update Council on the status of the Pennridge American Legion Baseball team's recent tournaments and season ending games.

Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for July 2010.

Budget Status

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Algeo, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for July 2010.

Engineer's Report

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

Planning Commission Report

No recent meeting to report on.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Consider Ordinance #944, Amendment to Exempt Rental Units from Trash and Recycling Fee

Upon motion by Frei, seconded by Slowik, Council approved Ordinance #944 amending the previous ordinance to exempt certain multi-family units from payment of the \$35.00 trash/recycling fee.

Resolution #2010-17

President Gahman read Resolution #2010-17 out loud for the audience.

Upon motion by Nicolosi, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2010-17 refunding apartment building tenants between 4 and 9 units that have paid the \$35.00 trash/recycling fee to the Borough. This would be done by crediting their electric account.

Announce Outsourced Trash Bid Results

Councilmembers reviewed the bid results for the outsourcing of trash collection. Manager Olpere stated that out of three bids received, the low bidder was Waste Management. Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Nicolosi, Councilmembers asked for additional time to review the results in more detail and discuss the matter at the September 7, 2010 Committees meeting. Councilman Aigeldinger asked staff to prepare a Point Point presentation outlining trash service options for the September 7 meeting.

Stream Bank Stabilization Grant

Upon motion Aigeldinger, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved the filing of a Growing Greener Grant application with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources for stream bank stabilization along the Perkiomen Creek in Lenape Park.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

There were no items to come before the Public Utility Committee.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Fyre Body Arts-Resolution #2010-16, Waiver of Land Development Process, Consider Approval

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Algeo, Council considered Resolution #2010-16B, granting formal waiver of the land development procedures for the addition at Fyre Body Arts; accept a proposed easement located on the land owned by the Borough to allow continuation of leasing a portion of Borough property for parking at a cost of \$60.00 a year, contingent upon applicant approving the easement, and plan approval. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the resolution with the exception of Slowik who voted against it. The resolution was approved by a 6-1 vote.

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Fire Company Carnival for 2011

Upon a motion by Purcell, seconded by Frei, Council unanimously approved the Perkasio Fire Company to hold its annual carnival June 28 through July 2, 2011 from 5:00 PM to 11:00 PM in Lenape Park.

Request for Contribution from West Rockhill Township for Septemberfest

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Frei, Council unanimously agreed to donate 4 daily passes to the Menlo Aquatic Center for the 2011 season to West Rockhill's annual Septemberfest,

Request for Grand View Hospital 5K Run in 2011

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously granted permission to Grand View Auxiliary to hold a 5K fundraising race on August 21, 2011. The race would begin at Menlo Park and proceed into Lenape Park by way of Third Street.

Request for Fire Police Assistance to Sellersville Borough

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Frei, Council unanimously approved a request from Sellersville Borough for fire police personnel assistance for traffic control duties for the Pennridge Gallery of the Arts Festival scheduled for September 19, 2010.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

There were no items to come before this Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Authorization to Pay Bills

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

Authorize Escrow Accounts

Upon motion by Frei, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously approved the opening of an escrow account with PLIGIT for the rental security deposit of SPK Training.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

There were no items to come before this Committee.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Chris Nicolosi thanked the Borough Electric, Police, and Public Works Department for their assistance for Perkasio Olde Towne Association's annual car show held the past weekend.

PUBLIC FORUM

Luther Chontofalsky of 270 Parkridge Drive had concerns about outsourcing the trash program stating that the current system works.

Justin Stottlar of 4 South 8th Street asked Council about the policy for Councilmember attendance at meetings since Vice President Hendricks has missed the last three meetings.

Susan Green of 624 East Walnut Street asked if residents could pick their own private trash hauling company. She asked what Waste Management's price quote was for picking up trash in the Borough.

PRESS FORUM

There were no questions from the press.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Gahman announced that Council was going into executive session to discuss legal matters and would not reopen the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:00PM.

Daniel P. Olpere
Borough Manager/Secretary