

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2017**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger
Scott Bomboy
Chuck Brooks (absent)
Aaron Clark
Florence Frei (absent)
Suzanne Kravitz (absent)
Steve Pizzollo
Jim Purcell
Jim Ryder

Youth Councilor:

Jakob Aigeldinger (absent)

Mayor:

John Hollenbach

Borough Manager:

Andrea L. Coaxum

Finance Director:

Joe Berardi

Police Chief:

Steve Hillias (absent)

Public Works Director:

Dan Gilbert (absent)

Electric Superintendent:

Harold Stone (absent)

Parks and Recreation Director:

Carolyn Hanel (absent)

Borough Solicitor:

Nate Fox

Borough Engineer:

Doug Rossino

Press Representatives:

Bucks County Reporter
Daily Intelligencer

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.

PUBLIC HEARING-COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK FUNDING (CDBG)

Borough Manager Coaxum explained the purpose of the public hearing was an opportunity to express comments about the Community Development Block Grant funding through Bucks County. The project is for funding to renovate the front entrance of Borough Hall to allow for handicap access. The application also includes the addition of two handicap parking stalls in the public parking lot located at 7th and Walnut Streets. There were no questions from Council. Mary Antczak of 718 Shadywood Drive asked how much grant money was being requested.

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously agreed to close the hearing.

PRESENTATION BY PER DIEM

Karen Chellew, Kim Rabago, and Michelle Shire of the Perkasio business Per Diem were present at the meeting to tell Council and the public about their relatively new business located at 528 West Market Street.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of January 16, 2017 and February 6, 2017.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

The Mayor said he has been talking to several business owners about the lack of parking and potential changes to parking regulations in the town center area. Many businesses feel the sooner these issues are addressed, the better the businesses are going to thrive.

Taxes Collected, Budget Status, and Engineer's Report

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected, budget status, and engineer's monthly report for January 2017.

Planning Commission Report

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously accepted the Planning Commission report.

Zoning Hearing Board Report

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously accepted the Zoning Hearing report.

Police Report

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously accepted the Police Department January 2017 report.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Consider Draft Tree Trimming Ordinance #1003

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously authorized the solicitor to advertise the Tree Trimming Ordinance #1003 for a future public hearing date.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Delbar Concept Plan Presentation

Jim Cassidy, part owner and developer, of the Delbar property was in attendance to present the plan for the properties located at 5th and Spruce Streets. He outlined the conceptual plan which included residential and commercial uses for the property.

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Consider Request of Donation from Deibler Elementary PTO Silent Auction

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved a donation of four daily passes for the 2017 season to the Menlo Aquatics Center to Deibler Elementary School for their silent auction benefit on April 7, 2017.

Consider Request for Donation to Faith Christian Academy

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved a donation of four daily passes to the Menlo Aquatics Center for the 2017 to Faith Christian Academy for their benefit auction on April 29, 2017.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Consider Accepting Resignation from Park and Recreation Board Member

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted the resignation of Kevin Gardner from the Park and Recreation Board. Further a motion to authorize staff to advertise a vacancy on the Park and Recreation Board.

Consider Ordinance #1004 to Increase Number of Members on Park and Recreation Board

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously authorized the Solicitor to advertise Ordinance #1004 increasing the number of members on the Park and Recreation Board.

Consider AFSCME Grievance Decision

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously authorized the Borough Manager to respond to the grievance filed by the AFSCME shop steward confirming the Borough Manager's previously issued decision with the letter dated February 17, 2017.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Authorization to Pay Bills

Upon a motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously accepted payment of

the bills as presented.

Consider Resolution #2017-8, Dunkin Donuts Escrow Release

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2017-8 to authorize a reduction in the escrow for the Pemma Holdings, LLC, Land Development project in the amount of \$42,963.00 to reduce the total escrow to \$52,218.32.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Consider CDBG Application-Approval of Resolution #2017-10

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2017-10 authorizing the application to the Bucks County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

QUALITY OF LIFE TASK FORCE

No business to come before the Committee.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

PRESS FORUM

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM.



Andrea L. Coaxum
Borough Manager/Secretary