MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 17, 2018

620 West Chestnut Street Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger Scott Bomboy Chuck Brooks Aaron Clark

Randy Faulkner (absent)

Steve Pizzollo
Jim Purcell
Steve Rose
Jim Ryder
Ana McGrath

Youth Delegate

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Finance Director:
Borough Solicitor:
Borough Engineer:
Public Works Director:

Police Chief:

Parks and Recreation Director: Electric Superintendent:

Jim Ryder Ana McGrath John Hollenbach Andrea L. Coaxum

Joe Berardi Jeff Garton Doug Rossino

Dan Gilbert (absent)

Steve Hillias

Megan Prusienski Harold Stone (absent)

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

A public hearing was held to receive comments on an ordinance fixing the tax rate for the year 2019 at 4.75 mills for general purposes and 1.5 mills for fire protection purposes. No public comments were received. The public hearing was adjourned.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Jim Ryder announced there would be a special Council meeting on December 27, 2018 at 9:00AM to consider adopting the 2019 budget.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of November 19, 2018.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

The Mayor wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for November 2018.

Budget Status

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for November 2018.

Engineer's Report

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously accepted the engineer's monthly report November 2018.

Planning Commission Report

No report.

Zoning Hearing Board Report

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

Police Report

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously accepted the Police Department November 2018 monthly report.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) Study-7th and Callowhill Street

Upon motion by Brooks, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously authorized the Solicitor to draft an ordinance to add stop signs on North 7th Street at Callowhill Street, as

recommended by traffic engineer Mark Hood.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Hallmark Homes Concept Plan Presentation-Old PRA Building

Representatives from Hallmarks Homes were present to introduce a proposed development plan to construct a 3- story apartment building at the former Perkasie Regional Authority site at 306 North 5th Street. The site would be a residential conversion using the existing buildings and would contain a building with 38 units as well as a twin family dwelling unit. Application to the Zoning Hearing Board would be required since apartments are not permitted in the R-2 district. Councilmembers expressed their support for the proposal.

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Consider Request for Proposals for Police

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously authorized the Borough Manager to release a request for proposals for a staffing analysis of the police patrol officer staffing needs and deployment. All responses to the RFP will be brought to Council for consideration at a meeting in 2019.

Accept Resignation from Perkasie Planning Commission

Upon motion Purcell, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously accepted the resignation of Cheryleen Strothers from the Perkasie Borough Planning Commission, and to authorize the staff to advertise the opening.

Review Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Councilmembers reviewed the list vacancies for boards and commissions for 2019 and agreed to make all the appointments at the January 7, 2019 meeting.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Authorization to Pay Bills

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

Consider Resolution #2018-27, 2019 Consolidated Fee Schedule

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2018-27 to establish a new consolidated fee schedule for the year 2019, effective January 1, 2019.

Consider Resolution #2018-29, Escrow Release #6, Country Ridge Subdivision

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2018-29 to authorized a reduction in the escrow for the Hallmark Homes-Country Ridge, LLC Land Development Project as approved by Gilmore & Associates Inc. in the amount of \$113,904.31 to reduce the total escrow to \$139,957.77 and to authorize the signature of the Borough Manager on the escrow reduction.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Resolution #2018-30, Appointment of Emergency Management Coordinator

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2018-30, a resolution of Perkasie Borough recommending to Governor Thomas Wolf that he officially appoint Cheryleen Strothers as the Emergency Management Coordinator for the Borough of Perkasie, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

PRESS FORUM

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:00PM.

Andrea L. Coaxum Borough Manager/Secretary