## MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH **COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEETING OCTOBER 21, 2019**

620 West Chestnut Street Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger Scott Bomboy Chuck Brooks Aaron Clark Randy Faulkner Steve Pizzollo Jim Ryder

Youth Delegate

Mayor:

Borough Manager: Finance Director: Borough Solicitor:

Public Works Director:

Park and Recreation Director:

Electric Superintendent:

Borough Engineer:

Jim Purcell Steve Rose

Ana McGrath John Hollenbach Andrea L. Coaxum

Glen Dickerson

Jeff Garton Jeff Tulone

Megan Prusienski

Harold Stone Doug Rossino

Borough Council President Jim Ryder convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Mayor Hollenbach gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Mary Antezak, 718 Shadywood Drive, discussed the tree issue around Blooming Glen and 7th Street asking who maintains the trees and about 5-7 of them are dead and suggested they be cleaned up before an accident occurs.

#### PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Jim Ryder wants to extend an invitation to local Perkasie businesses to attend the annual Appreciation Night stating the more the merrier. Appreciate Night is Saturday, November 9th at the Sellersville Moose Lodge from 7-10pm.

#### MINUTES APPROVAL

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved the Council Meeting Minutes of September 16, 2019 and October 7, 2019.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE REPORTS**

## Mayor's Report

Mayor remarked how wonderful the Fall Fest was and that we still required volunteers for the Tree Lighting. He thanked all those who do volunteer and all of the Borough's Departments, sadly he is unable to attend Appreciation Night and mentioned his appreciation for Council and their professionalism with regards to getting along and speaking on disagreements. Perkasie Borough welcomes the challenges as our community grows.

## Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved the taxes collected report for September 2019.

## **Budget Status**

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously approved the Budget Status Report for September, 2019.

## Engineer's Report

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously approved the Borough Engineer's Monthly Report for September, 2019.

## Planning Commission Report

No report.

#### Zoning Hearing Board Report

The Zoning Hearing Board will be meeting on March 25, 2019.

## Police Report

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved the Police Department's Monthly Report for September, 2019.

Acting Chief Clauss said he had the opportunity to thank fellow officers (i.e. Dickerson) who helped out after Chief Hillias passed.

Aigeldinger inquired if the Police Department has any recommendations for law enforcement and social media – using the correct language as Philadelphia had a slew of officers let go due to personal pages. Coaxum responded stating the Borough does have a policy in the employee handbook that is applicable to the Police Department.

Mayor mentioned the first annual Golf Outing in honor of Chief Hillias will be taking place tomorrow, Tuesday, October 22. This is to raise funds for the family – hopefully the weather holds out.

### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

Rose mentioned that the leaf collection has started and Tulone assured the Council that they will continue to collect leaves until they are done or inclement snow events take priority.

#### PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Coaxum mentioned there was live pricing today and the Borough purchased all three products as the winter block was approved. Since this just occurred a few hours ago there will be formal documentation to follow within the next few days.

#### PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Council discussed the current town center overlay and the several prospective businesses that had interested in the Borough. They are directing the Planning Commission to discuss and make recommendations on adding different uses for the buildings in the C2 district and the downtown.

## Consider Resolution #2019-29

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously approved Resolution 2019-29, the Borough of Perkasie approves a conditional use in accordance with sections 186-128 and 186-18.e(9) of the Perkasie Borough Zoning Ordinance for 534 West Market Street.

#### PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

#### Consider Event Permit Application Pennridge Little League Trunk or Treat

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved the Perkasie Little League to hold a Trunk or Treat event in Lenape Park on October 26, 2019 from 4:00-7:00 pm by the roadway along the Covered Bridge.

## Consider Park Facility Reservation from Walton Farm Elementary

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously approved the Walton Farm School to reserve the Menlo Pavilion on May 8, 2020 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

#### PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

## Consider Hiring Electric Lineman

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved the Borough Manager's decision to hire Shawn Eby as a Groundhand with the Perkasie Borough Electric Department, conditioned upon the successful completion of background checks, physical, and any other reasonable conditions as established by the Borough Manager.

## Consider Resignation of Park and Recreation Board Member

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously agreed to advertise the vacancy on the Park and Recreation Board.

## Consider One Year Amendment to Collective Bargaining Agreement.

This item was tabled to be discussed at a later date.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

## Authorization to pay the bills

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved payment of the bills.

## Consider Escrow Release #2, The Perk

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2019-28, to authorize a reduction in the escrow for the Perk as approved by Gilmore and Associates in the amount of \$1,836.00 to reduce the total escrow to \$13,179 and to authorize the signature of the Borough Manager on the escrow reduction.

## <u>Discuss Lease Agreement Third Floor Tenant – Dental Office</u>

Council discussed how much it would possible cost to redo the area back to two offices if the Dentist were to leave. The Electric Department did separate the meters. Realtor explained they do regular financial background checks and this particular dentist is not new, they have been around quite a few years now. All final documents will be sent to Borough for inspection and terms.

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Aigeldinger discussed Perkasie Borough Volunteerism and with Appreciation Night coming up on November 9th, he would like to establish a Volunteer of the Year Award and would like to nominate Dave Worthington as the first recipient for his countless years of service with the Fire Department, his 1st rate reports, etc. A plaque with engrave-able names will be decided shortly.

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Ryder, Council unanimously approved that the Volunteer of the Year Award will go to Dave Worthington.

The abandoned home that has plagued Perkasie for quite some time on Ridge Road went to Sherriff's sale in June, 2019. The Borough met with the developer and are happy to report the renovations have been completed and it is a total transformed residence and currently for sale.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

No business to come before this committee.

# HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

# **PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

## PRESS FORUM

None.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Andrea L. Coaxum

Borough Manager/Secretary