## MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEETING MARCH 1, 2021

620 West Chestnut Street Perkasie, Pennsylvania

**ATTENDANCE:** 

Council Member: Matt Aigeldinger

Scott Bomboy Chuck Brooks Aaron Clark Randy Faulkner

Steve Pizzollo (absent)

Jim Purcell Steve Rose Jim Ryder

Mayor:

Borough Manager:
Borough Engineer:
Gilmore & Associates:

Park and Recreation Director:

Police Chief:

Electric Superintendent:

Public Works Director:

Jim Ryder John Hollenbach Andrea L. Coaxum Doug Rossino

Judy Stern Goldstein Megan Prusienski

Robert Schurr

Harold Stone (absent)

Jeff Tulone

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

## PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

## Park Avenue Infrastructure Improvements Conceptual Plan

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously authorized the staff to solicit feedback from the community on the conceptual Park Avenue infrastructure improvement plan.

## Consider Resolution #2021-7, Handicap Parking 121 North 7th Street

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2021-7, a resolution of the Borough of Perkasie for the creation of a handicap space reserved for a handicapped person or disabled veterans in front of 121 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

## Consider 2021 Road Plan

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved the 2021 road program as presented.

## Discuss Market Street Alley-Turning Analysis at North 6<sup>th</sup> Street

Borough Manager Coaxum explained she had received complaints that delivery trucks for the Market Street businesses were using the Market Street alley causing unnecessary damage to portions of the alley at the expense of the residents. After reviewing the Borough engineer's recommendations on this matter, it was agreed to table the issue to get additional feedback from the residents in that

#### PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

## Perkasie Wholesale Power Cost Summary

The Committee reviewed Perkasie's January 2021 Wholesale Power Cost Summary report provided by GDS Associates

#### PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

#### PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

## Consider Cub Scout Pinewood Derby Park Facility Reservation

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved the Cub Scout Pinewood Derby to reserve a Menlo Pavilion all day on May 8, 2021.

#### Consider Park Facility Reservation-Between Friends Outreach

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously approved the Between Friends Outreach Group to reserve the skate park pavilion on March 27, 2021 from 11:00AM to 1:00PM.

#### PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

## Consider Hiring Police Officer

Upon motion by Ryder, seconded by Faulkner, Council extended an offer of employment to Lewis Palmer conditioned upon the acceptance of the offer by the candidate and the candidate's successful completion of the passing physical and mental health exams by the previously designated medical professionals as required by the Chief of Police and in accordance with applicable law. This offer of employment will immediately expire if any of the conditions listed above are not met.

## Accept Resignation of Marj Snyder, Park and Recreation Board

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously accepted the resignation of Marj Snyder from the Park and Recreation Board and to advertise the vacancy on the Park and Recreation Board.

## **Discuss Outsourcing Payroll**

Borough Manager Coaxum explained that due to the retirement of staff in the Finance Department along with some other staffing changes that now would be a good time to outsource payroll. She said she will work with staff members to determine the best payroll solution for the Borough Council to consider at a future meeting.

## Consider Hiring Accounts Payable/Accounts Receivable Representative

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded, by Rose, Council unanimously concurred with the Borough Manager's decision to hire Heather Van Horn as the Borough's Accounts Payable/Accounts Receivable Representative effective March 1, 2021.

## Consider Hiring Accounting/Municipal Clerk

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously agreed to hire Cassandra Grillo as the Accounting & Municipal Permits Clerk at a wage of \$45,500, and to further waive the 90 day wait on medical insurance benefits. This offer is conditional on a reference and background check as described in the offer letter.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

## Consider Resolution #2021-14, Power DMS Renewal Service Order-Police Department

Upon motion by Ryder, Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2021-14, a resolution approving the service order between the Police Department and Power DMS and authorizing execution of the service order by the Police Chief on behalf of the Borough of Perkasie.

# Consider Resolution #2021-18, Authorizing Application to the Bucks County Community Development Block Grant Program and Designating Contact Person

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved Resolution#2021-8, a resolution of the Borough of Perkasie authorizing application to the Bucks County Community Development Block Grant Program and designating a contact person.

## Consider Resolution #2021-15, Net Carrier T1 Replacement

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2021-15, a resolution of Borough Council approving the agreement between Net Carrier and Perkasie Borough confirming prior approval and execution by the Borough Manager of the agreement on behalf of the Borough of Perkasie.

#### Consider Resolution #2021-10, Escrow Release #6 Cedar Ridge

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously authorized a reduction in the escrow for the Cedar Ridge Subdivision as approved by Gilmore and Associates Inc. in the amount of \$95,337.90 to reduce the total escrow to \$65,043.41 and authorizing the signature of the Borough Manager on the escrow reduction.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

## Discuss Façade Improvements-Grant Program

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously authorized the Borough's Community Development Manager to assist the Perkasie Towne Improvement Association in the creation of a façade grant application, and to draft a letter of support.

## **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 8:15PM.

Andrea L. Coaxum
Borough Manager/Secretary