

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEETING
NOVEMBER 7, 2022**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Scott Bomboy (Absent)
Chuck Brooks
Aaron Clark
Randy Faulkner
Jim Purcell
Steve Rose
Jim Ryder
Dave Weaver
Dave Worthington
Robin Reid
Andrea L. Coaxum
Jeff Garton, Esq.
Jeff Hollenbach
Rebecca Deemer
Lauren Moll
Linda Reid
Doug Rossino
Robert Schurr
Harold Stone
Jeff Tulone

Youth Councilor:

Borough Manager:

Borough Solicitor:

Mayor:

Finance Director:

Parks and Recreation Director:

Community Development Manager:

Borough Engineer:

Police Chief:

Electric Superintendent:

Public Works Director:

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

Jessica Smalley, the owner of Dragonflies Salon, introduced herself and briefly spoke about her difficulty in meeting the parking standards in the Borough's Zoning Ordinance. She spoke in support of the parking diet that would be discussed later in the meeting. The new standards will reduce the number of required spaces for her building and simplify the process for compliance.

PROCLAMATION – NO SHAVE NOVEMBER

Mayor Hollenbach read a Proclamation to support No Shave November and fundraising efforts for Penridge Ram Packs.

AUDIT PRESENTATION – 2021 AUDIT

Ron Ely from Styer Associates presented the Audit for the year 2021.

PUBLIC HEARING – DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 186, ARTICLE VIII OF THE PERKASIE BOROUGH ZONING ORDINANCE, OFF-STREET PARKING & LOADING

A Public Hearing was held to consider amending Chapter 186, Article VIII of the Perkasio Zoning Ordinance, Off-Street Parking & Loading.

Councilman Faulkner asked how this amendment would affect Ms. Smalley's business. The Borough Manager explained the background of the parking calculations and informed Council that by changing the requirement from 1.25 to 1.0, it will make things simpler and reduce the amount of spaces needed.

The floor was opened for comments from the public. Hearing none, upon a motion by Clark and seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously closed the Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING – DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 180 OF THE PERKASIE BOROUGH CODE OF ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO STOP SIGNS AND YIELD INTERSECTIONS

A Public Hearing was held to consider amending Chapter 180 of the Perkasio Borough Code of Ordinances pertaining to Stop Signs and Yield Intersections.

The floor was opened for comments from the public. Hearing none, upon a motion by Purcell and seconded by Clark, Council unanimously closed the Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING – DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 180 OF THE PERKASIE BOROUGH CODE OF ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO PARKING REGULATIONS

A Public Hearing was held to consider amending Chapter 180 of the Perkasio Borough Code of Ordinances pertaining to Parking Regulations on Shadywood Drive.

The floor was opened for comments from the public. Hearing none, upon a motion by Purcell and seconded by Brooks, Council unanimously closed the Public Hearing.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Consider Extension of Commingled Recycling Contract with J.P. Mascaro & Sons

Upon a motion by Rose, seconded by Purcell, Council approved the extension of the current contract with J.P. Mascaro & Sons for commingled recycling for the year 2023. The contract pricing will be \$140.00 per month for a 40-yard dumpster, \$200.00 per trip for hauling and a \$95.00 rebate price per ton for commingled recyclables.

Consider Extension of Solid Waste Disposal Contract with Waste Management

Upon a motion by Rose, seconded by Purcell, Council approved the extension of the current contract with Waste Management for solid waste disposal for the year 2023, with the contract pricing of \$90.10 per ton.

Consider Extension of Residential Yard Waste Contract with Britton Industries

Upon a motion by Rose, seconded by Faulkner, Council approved the extension of the contract with Britton Industries for residential yard waste for the year 2023. The contract pricing will be \$115.00 per month for a dumpster, \$285.00 per trip for hauling and \$49.95 per ton for disposal.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

Perkasie Wholesale Power Cost Summary

The Committee reviewed Perkasie's September 2022 Wholesale Power Cost Summary report provided by GDS Associates.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Consider Ordinance to Amend Chapter 186, Article VIII of the Perkasie Borough Zoning Ordinance, Off-Street Parking & Loading

Upon a motion by Brooks, seconded by Purcell, Council approved an ordinance that will amend Chapter 186, Article VIII of the Perkasie Borough Zoning Ordinance, Off-Street Parking & Loading, as advertised. The parking requirement will be amended from 1.25 to 1.0.

Consider Ordinance to Amend Chapter 180 of the Perkasie Borough Code of Ordinances Pertaining to Stop Signs & Yield Intersections

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Purcell, Council approved an ordinance that will amend Chapter 180 of the Perkasie Borough Code of Ordinances pertaining to stop signs and yield intersections, as advertised.

Consider Ordinance to Amend Chapter 180 of the Perkasie Borough Code of Ordinances Pertaining to Parking Regulations

Upon a motion by Brooks, seconded by Worthington, Council approved an ordinance that will amend the provisions of Chapter 180 of the Perkasie Borough Code related to parking regulations by eliminating No Parking requirements on Shadywood Drive and North 7th Street.

Consider Revised Final Plans for 8th Street Commons

Upon a motion by Purcell, seconded by Rose, Council approved the amended final site plan for the 8th Street Commons project including the new phasing plan, dividing the project into two phases as illustrated on the plans dated January 28, 2022.

Consider Proposal for Permitting Software Upgrade

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Rose, Council approved Resolution 2022-56, a Resolution of the Council of the Borough of Perkasie approving the CarriganGeo contract between the Borough of Perkasie and CarriganGeo Services for permitting software for Perkasie Borough Hall and a module for the Public Works building, and to authorize the Borough Manager to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Borough of Perkasie.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Consider Event Application – Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy for Freeze-Up 5K

Upon a motion by Ryder, seconded by Weaver, Council approved the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy's Freeze-Up 5K on Sunday, December 4, 2022 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Discuss Request of Civil Service Commission to Start Promotion Process for Sergeant in 2023

Upon a motion by Ryder, seconded by Rose, Council authorized the Civil Service Commission to begin the process to promote a Sergeant in 2023.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Consider Proposed List of Projects/Purchases for ARPA Funding

Upon a motion by Purcell, seconded by Rose, Council authorized the Borough Staff to move forward with spending \$81,210 of the Borough's ARPA funds on the list of items below:

- Crowd Control Barriers - \$5,000
- Permitting/Public Works Software - \$15,800
- Lenape Park Cameras - \$19,750
- Menlo Park VGBA Covers - \$30,660
- Electric Locks for Bathrooms in all 4 Parks - \$10,000

Discuss Preliminary Draft of 2023 Budget

The Borough Manager asked for recommendations from Council for how staff can balance the budget. After a brief discussion, it was the consensus of Council that a small electric rate increase of \$.01/HWh, which equates to approximately \$9-10 per customer per month, should be built into the draft budget for review at the November 21st meeting. The increase will only affect residential rates, not commercial or primary rates.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

There was no business to come before the Economic Development Committee.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

There was no business to come before the Public Safety Committee.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Discuss Recommendation for Bids Received for the Historic Restoration of the Perkasio Borough Covered Timber Bridge

The Borough Manager gave an update on the latest FEMA call, stating that she thinks we are finally making progress and coming closer to moving forward with the project. Upon a motion by Purcell and seconded by Weaver, Council rejected the two bids received for the restoration of the Perkasio Borough covered timber bridge and to authorize the Borough staff, Solicitor and Engineer to re-bid the project once the FEMA and/or PEMA funds are received.

REPORT FROM YOUTH COUNCILOR

Robin Reid informed Council that the Pennridge women's water polo team finished 3rd in the state, and also reported that both the men's and women's soccer teams made it to the PIAA State Championship tournament.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

PRESS FORUM

None.

Councilman Brooks asked about the status of the letters to the well owners, and the Borough Manager informed Council that they are going out this week.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

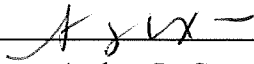
It was announced that Council would be going into Executive Session to discuss matters of personnel and would reconvene the meeting.

Upon a motion by Ryder, seconded by Rose, Council authorized the preparation and execution of the contract for the Borough Manager as discussed in Executive Session.

Upon a motion by Ryder, seconded by Purcell, Council approved the payout of the unused accrued time to the full-time officer as requested by Chief Schurr.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM.



Andrea L. Coaxum
Borough Manager/Secretary