

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2023**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members:

Scott Bomboy
Chuck Brooks
Randy Faulkner
Greg Martin
Jim Purcell
Steve Rose
Jim Ryder (Absent)

Dave Weaver

Dave Worthington

Robin Reid (Absent)

Youth Councilor:

Jeff Hollenbach

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Andrea L. Coaxum

Finance Director:

Rebecca Deemer

Parks and Recreation Director:

Lauren Moll

Community Development Manager:

Linda Reid (Absent)

Police Chief:

Robert Schurr

Electric Superintendent:

Harold Stone

Public Works Director:

Jeff Tulone

Borough Solicitor:

Jeff Garton, Esq.

Borough Engineer:

Doug Rossino, P.E.

Borough Council Vice-President Jim Purcell convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Mayor Hollenbach gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

Nothing at this time.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Nothing at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes from January 16, 2023 and the Committee meeting minutes from February 6, 2023.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

Mayor Hollenbach complimented the Perkasio Towne Improvement Association and Perkasio Business Network for their cooperative spirit and the great job they've been doing together to support Borough businesses.

Taxes Collected

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Brooks, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for January, 2023.

Budget Status

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for January, 2023.

Engineer's Report

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Martin, Council unanimously accepted the Engineer's monthly report for the month of January, 2023.

Planning Commission Report

Council reviewed the meeting summary from the January 25, 2023 Planning Commission meeting. Councilman Weaver reported that a re-organization was done at the meeting and the Planning Commission recommended plan approval of the Green Ridge Estates West project.

Zoning Hearing Board Report

The Borough Manager reported that the 4th Soils application that was supposed to be reviewed at the January 23rd meeting was continued to the February 27th meeting, at the request of the Applicant. A re-organization of the Board was done at the January 23rd meeting.

Police Report

Upon a motion by Rose, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously accepted the Police Department report for January, 2023.

Fire Department Report

Council reviewed the Fire Department report for the month of December, 2022, the year-end report for 2022 and the reports for the month of January, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Works Superintendent's report for January, 2023.

Consider ARPA Funding Request for Security System at the Recycling Center

Upon a motion by Rose, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously approved the disbursement of \$15,750.00 in ARPA funds for Hunsberger Electric to install a security camera system at the Recycling Center.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Electric Superintendent's report for January, 2023.

AMP Year-End Summary for Perkasio – 2022

Council reviewed the year-end summary from AMP for 2022 for the Borough of Perkasio.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Code Enforcement Officer Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly report for January, 2023.

Consider Resolution #2023-8 – St. Stephen's Minor Subdivision Plan

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2023-8, a resolution of the Borough Council in and for the Borough of Perkasio, Bucks County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approving the minor subdivision application submitted by the St. Stephen's United Church of Christ of Perkasio.

Consider Resolution #2023-7 – Land Development Agreement – Mavis Tire

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Worthington, Council approved Resolution #2023-7, a resolution of the Borough Council in and for the Borough of Perkasio, Bucks County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approving the Land Development Agreements for the PACAZ Realty, LLC (Mavis Tire) project. All Council members voted in favor of the motion with the exception of Weaver, who abstained, and Rose, who opposed. The motion carried 6-1.

Consider Access Easement – 606 West Chestnut Street

Upon a motion by Brooks, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously authorized the Council President and Borough Manager to sign the Access Easement for 606 West Chestnut Street on behalf of Perkasio Borough.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Parks and Recreation Director Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Parks and Recreation Director’s report for January, 2023.

Councilman Weaver asked if they have started taking trees down on the path in the park, and the Public Works Director confirmed that they are clearing out ash trees and will also be removing older trees to prevent them from falling onto the path and causing a safety issue.

Councilman Faulkner asked about the status of the re-paving of the paths. The Borough Manager and Parks & Recreation Director explained that they will not be done this year, but the Borough staff is looking into grant opportunities for the trails for 2024.

Consider Approval of Additional Funds for Electric Locks in Park Restrooms

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved the spending of an additional \$1,961.08 in ARPA funds in 2023 for the installation of electric locks for the park restrooms.

Consider Event Application – Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy – March Meltdown 5K

Upon a motion by Weaver, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously approved the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy March Meltdown 5K on Sunday, March 12, 2023 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

There was no business to come before the Personnel and Policy Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Authorization to Pay Bills

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously authorized payment of the bills as presented.

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

Consider Support for Keystone Historic Preservation Planning Grant Application

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously authorized the submission of a grant application to seek funding for a Keystone Historic Preservation Planning Grant to complete the Perkasio National Historic District nomination project, and to provide the necessary match, a maximum of \$25,000, if awarded the grant.

Councilman Bomboy reported that he is working with Mayor Hollenbach to return military banners to the families. Councilman Purcell thanked Councilman Bomboy and the electric department for all of their work on these banners.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Nothing at this time.

PUBLIC FORUM

Nothing at this time.

PRESS FORUM

Nothing at this time.

REPORT FROM YOUTH COUNCILOR

The Youth Councilor was absent from the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.



Andrea L. Coaxum
Borough Manager/Secretary