MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEETING OCTOBER 2, 2023

620 West Chestnut Street Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member: Scott Bomboy

Chuck Brooks (Absent)

Randy Faulkner Greg Martin

Jim Purcell (Absent)

Steve Rose Jim Ryder Dave Weaver

Dave Worthington (Absent)

Youth Councilor: Vacant

Mayor: Jeff Hollenbach
Borough Manager: Andrea L. Coaxum
Finance Director: Rebecca Deemer
Parks and Recreation Director: Lauren Moll
Community Development Manager: Linda Reid

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Police Chief:

Electric Superintendent:

Public Works Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Linda Reid

Robert Schurr

Harold Stone

Jeff Tulone

Jeff Garton, Esq.

Borough Engineer: Doug Rossino, P.E. (Absent)

Borough Council President Jim Ryder convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Mayor Jeff Hollenbach gave an invocation which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

Charles Schmell, owner of Labelcraft Press located at 304 South Fourth Street, approached Council and expressed his concerns about the increased truck traffic in the Borough, and shared numerous complaints about the contractor for the West Spruce Street townhouse project, including piles of construction materials in the street, construction trucks blocking the fire hydrant and trash left on his business' lawn by the contractor. Council President Ryder stated that the Borough will continue to look into these concerns.

PROCLAMATION: MAIN ST. (FORMERLY PINE2PINK)

Mayor Hollenbach read a Proclamation in support of Main St., an organization that supports a month-long annual event which turns the town pink for the month of October in order to raise awareness about breast cancer, as well as raise funds for research into its cause, prevention, diagnosis, treatment and cure.

PROCLAMATION: HALLOWEEN

Mayor Hollenbach read a Proclamation declaring Halloween night in Perkasie Borough as Tuesday, October 31, 2023 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Council President Ryder thanked the staff for a great Fall Fest, adding that it was fantastic event. Mayor Hollenbach also complimented the event.

PUBLIC HEARING - CONSIDER DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 180 - CODE OF ORDINANCES

A Public Hearing was held to consider adopting an ordinance that would amend Chapter 180 of the Perkasie Borough Code of Ordinances related to parking regulations by adding No Parking requirements on West Spruce Street and South 7th Street. The ordinance was advertised appropriately and the Solicitor gave an overview of the ordinance.

There were no comments from the public. Upon a motion by Rose, seconded by Faulkner, the Public Hearing was closed.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

Perkasie Wholesale Power Cost Summary

The Committee reviewed Perkasie's August 2023 Wholesale Power Cost Summary report provided by GDS Associates.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Consider Ordinance to Amend Chapter 180 of Code of Ordinances

Upon a motion by Martin, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved Ordinance #1055, an ordinance of the Borough of Perkasie, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, amending Chapter 180 of the Perkasie Borough Code of Ordinances related to parking regulations by adding No Parking requirements on West Spruce Street and South 7th Street.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Consider Authorization to Repair Zip Line in Menlo Park

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Martin, Council unanimously approved the expenditure of \$3,531.84 for the zip line repair at Menlo Park.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Consider Hiring of Permanent Part-Time Public Works Employee

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved the hiring of Vitaly Parkhomchuk as a permanent part-time Public Works employee at the starting hourly rate of \$18.40, conditioned upon the passing of a pre-employment physical, drug screening and background checks.

Consider Resignation of Park & Recreation Board Member

Upon a motion by Rose, seconded by Martin, Council unanimously accepted the resignation of Emily Greco from the Park & Recreation Board, effective immediately, and authorized the staff to move forward with properly advertising this vacancy.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Consider Resolution #2023-45 - Escrow Release - 308 South Ridge Road

Upon a motion by Weaver, seconded by Martin, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2023-45, a resolution of the Perkasie Borough Council authorizing the return of the remainder of the escrow in the amount of \$972.88 for the Aaron and Karen Peazzoni pool project located at 308 South Ridge Road, and authorizing the signature of the Borough Manager on the escrow release.

Consider Donation Request – American Legion Riders Souderton

Upon a motion by Ryder, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved the donation of six daily passes to Menlo Aquatics Center for the 2024 season to the Souderton American Legion Riders Annual Veterans Benefit on Saturday, October 14, 2023.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Consider List of Events for 2024

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Bomboy, Council unanimously approved the schedule of Perkasie Borough events for 2024.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Consider Request for Fire Police Assistance – Sellersville Borough

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Ryder, Council unanimously approved the request from Sellersville Borough for fire police assistance at their Memorial Day parade on Saturday, May 25, 2024 from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

There was no business to come before the Historical Committee.

REPORT FROM YOUTH COUNCILOR

This position is currently vacant.

PUBLIC FORUM

Nothing at this time.

PRESS FORUM

Nothing at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM.

Andrea L. Coaxum Borough Manager/Secretary