MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEETING MAY 5, 2025

620 West Chestnut Street Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member: Scott Bomboy

Chuck Brooks
Randy Faulkner
Kelly Laustsen
Steve Rose
Jim Ryder
Robin Schilling
Dave Weaver

Dave Worthington (absent)

Youth Councilors: Shiv Gandevia

Colin Moyer

Mayor: Jeff Hollenbach
Borough Manager: Andrea L. Coaxum

Assistant Borough Manager: Linda Reid

Finance Director: Rebecca Deemer (absent)

Parks and Recreation Director:

Police Chief:

Electric Superintendent:

Public Works Director:

Lauren Moll

Robert Schurr

Harold Stone

Jeff Tulone

Borough Solicitor: Brendan Callahan, Esquire
Borough Engineer: Doug Rossino, P.E. (absent)

Council President Ryder convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. An invocation was given by Pastor Philip Krey from St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

KEY TO THE BOROUGH PRESENTATION

Mayor Hollenbach presented Mackenzie Robinson with the Key to the Borough.

PUBLIC FORUM

Nothing at this time.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Council President Ryder thanked people for coming out to the RamPacks Food Fest on Sunday, and thanked Jeff Allen from A&T for all that he does for our community.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

The Public Works Superintendent reported that PennDOT has finished their work in the

Borough, and Asphalt Maintenance Solutions will be starting the ultra-thin bonded wearing course work later this week.

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

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

Perkasie Wholesale Power Cost Summary

The Committee reviewed Perkasie's March 2025 Wholesale Power Cost Summary Report provided by GDS Associates. Councilman Weaver reported that costs are trending in a better direction, and we should have indicative pricing on the next agenda for consideration.

Installed Capacity Update

Councilman Weaver mentioned the upcoming auction in July.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Consider Resolution #2025-26 – Green Ridge Estates West Land Development Agreement

Upon a motion by Laustsen, seconded by Brooks, Council approved a motion to approve Resolution #2025-26, a resolution of the Borough Council in and for the Borough of Perkasie, Bucks County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approving the Land Development Agreement for Green Ridge Estates West. Councilman Faulkner abstained.

Update on Construction Progress – Constitution Square

The Borough Manager reported that construction has started back up at Constitution Square.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Consider Resolution #2025-27 – Agreement for Fireworks

Upon a motion by Ryder, seconded by Schilling, Council unanimously approved a motion to approve Resolution #2025-27, a resolution of the Council of the Borough of Perkasie approving the Display Agreement pending necessary legal verbiage as recommended by the Borough Solicitor and insurance carrier between Celebration Fireworks, Inc. ("Celebration") and Perkasie Borough for the purpose of providing a fireworks display, together with the services of a pyrotechnic operator licensed for the state of the display to be in charge of, and along with sufficient crew to safely discharge the display and authorizing the Borough Manager to execute the contract on behalf of the Borough of Perkasie.

Consider Reservation Request for Cub Scouts

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Ryder, Council unanimously approved a motion to approve the reservation request from Cub Scouts Pack 1 to reserve the Lenape Park Skate Pavilion on Friday, May 16, 2025 from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm for their annual Cub Scouts advancement ceremony.

Consider Park Event Application – Run Out of the Darkness Event

Upon a motion by Weaver, seconded by Laustsen, Council unanimously approved the park event application from the Perkasie Rotary Club for the 988 Run Out of the Darkness 5K/10K event on Sunday, August 24, 2025 in Lenape Park from 8:30 am to 11:30 am.

Consider Park Event Application – Healthy Kids Running Series

Upon a motion by Laustsen, seconded by Schilling, Council unanimously approved the park event application from Healthy Kids Running Series for a series of running events in Lenape Park near the Skate Park from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm on the following dates in 2025: September 14th, September 21st, September 28th, October 5th, October 12th and October 19th.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Consider Expenditure for Pennridge Little League Lighting Project

Upon a motion by Rose, seconded by Ryder, Council unanimously approved an expenditure of approximately \$61,557.44 for the Borough to cover the costs of the labor and equipment for the Public Works & Electric Departments and the cost of the control box for the Pennridge Little League Minor's Field Lighting Upgrades Project, to be completed by the Spring of 2026. The Little League's portion of the project is an estimated total of \$22,787.76, which covers the remaining materials needed for the project, plus the cost of the lights.

Consider Electric Department Expenditure – Purchase of Meters

Upon a motion by Weaver, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously authorized the Electric Department to purchase the remaining 900 electric meters needed to complete the system-wide upgrade for the Borough.

Consider Resolution #2025-28 – Perkasie Woods Escrow Releases

Upon a motion by Ryder, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2025-28, a resolution of the Perkasie Borough Council authorizing the release of the remainder of the \$5,000.00 professional services escrow, the remainder of the \$5,000 bond litigation cash escrow, and the remainder of the 18-month maintenance bond from Liberty Mutual for site improvements, for Perkasie Woods, L.P., for the Perkasie Woods subdivision project and authorizing the release by the Borough Manager.

Consider Expenditure for Historic Preservationist – Application for National Historic District

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Brooks, Council unanimously approved an expenditure of \$15,000 from excess funds in the Capital Fund for the Borough to send out a request for proposal to obtain a historic preservationist who will assist with the Borough's Historic District application to the state.

Consider Donation Request - Perkasie Pride

Upon a motion by Ryder, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously approved the donation of six daily pool passes to the Menlo Aquatics Center for the 2025 season to the Perkasie Pride Committee.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Laustsen reported that she will be going with the Assistant Borough Manager and Public Works Superintendent later this week to Birdsboro, where they will visit the studio of the artist doing the work on the SEPTA mural to see the progress on the project.

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

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilman Faulkner reported on the recent Public Safety Committee meeting and Chief Schurr informed Council that there was an article in the recent Borough News on the Police Department's recent Chief for a Day event.

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

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Consider Covered Bridge Project Change of Scope of Work

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Ryder, Council unanimously approved the change of scope request #1 to be submitted to FEMA for the Perkasie Borough Covered Bridge Project to move the bridge out of the floodway and above the 500-year and 1,000-year base flood elevation.

REPORT FROM YOUTH COUNCILORS

Youth Councilor Colin Moyer reported that he will miss the next Council meeting because he will be attending lifeguard training at Menlo Aquatics Center that evening.

Youth Councilor Shiv Gandevia reported that senior nights for spring sports were recently held, and several of the spring sports made the play-offs.

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilwoman Laustsen provided an overview about the Healthy Kids Running Series, stating that it is a great program that is a lot of fun, adding that local businesses get involved with it.

PUBLIC FORUM

Nothing at this time.

PRESS FORUM

Nothing at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Andrea L. Coaxum
Borough Manager/Secretary

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