

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH  
COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEETING  
MAY 1, 2006**

620 West Chestnut Street  
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Eadie Burke  
James Boyer  
Ray Conville  
Bill Delaney  
Joan Handy  
Richard Hendricks  
William Hettel (absent)  
Harry McGonigal  
C. Lee Metzger, Jr. (arrived 7:10 PM)  
Justin Minnion  
Harrison McGonigal  
J. Robert Hunsicker (absent)  
Daniel P. Olpere  
Joe Gura  
Phil Ivins  
Ann Weiss  
Mark Eisold  
News Herald  
Daily Intelligencer  
Morning Call  
Bucks County Herald

Youth Councilors:

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Police Chief:

Public Facilities Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Borough Engineer:

Press Representatives:

Borough Council Vice-President Jim Boyer convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Mr. Hendricks gave an invocation followed by a Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Present was Kelly Beno of 550 Penny Lane who stated she had not received a response to her letter to Council of April 3, 2006. She asked the following additional questions:

1. Has the PBA not been acting in the best interest of the ratepayers? I would like documentation provided to show how and why this is the case.
2. How does the Borough Council plan to run the PBA better and how will they be able to provide these services cheaper or in a more efficient manner?

Present was Kimberly Malcolm of 1101 Chelsea Court who stated the new pool design will not accommodate her family because the pool will be too deep for her young children.

Luther Chontofalsky of 270 Parkridge Drive was present and had questions regarding the choosing of a financial advisor at the April 17 Council meeting executive session.

Mike Nace of 326 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street asked Council to consider reopening the pool for one more season before beginning the renovation project.

**REPORT FROM PLANNING COMMISSION**

There was no meeting in April.

## **PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE MEETING**

### Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Utility Superintendent's Report for April 2006.

### Other Business

There was no other business to come before the Committee.

## **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING**

### Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Works Superintendent's Report for April 2006.

### Proposed CVS Store

Present was Attorney Doug Maloney representing the CVS Drugstore. Mr. Maloney requested a possible change of zoning text that would allow a CVS store to locate in a C1 zone at 5<sup>th</sup> and Blooming Glen Road. Bill Delaney questioned the competition issue with other drugstores in the area. Mr. McGonigal and Mr. Hendricks supported the change. It was the general consensus to move forward and discuss a hearing date.

### Lippincott Request for Zoning Change

Present were Joseph & Lina Lippincott of 1213 Tunnel Road who requested a zoning change of two parcels they currently own from I1 to residential. It was the general consensus of the Committee to recommend the change. The Solicitor suggested meeting with the Lippincott's to discuss the matter in more detail before moving forward.

### Roadway Widths

It was suggested by Councilman Hettel, at the last meeting, that Council discuss amending the subdivision ordinance to require a change in roadway widths. No further action was taken on the matter.

### Request for Walk-A-Thon RDS Hope Organization

The Committee reviewed a request from Kristina de La Tour requesting permission to hold a Walk-A-Thon on Saturday, July 15 at Lenape Park beginning at 10:00 AM and ending at 10:00 PM for the RSD Hope Organization. Committee members concurred with the request and agreed to place the matter on the May 15 Council agenda.

### Request from Trinity Church-TLC Child Care Center

The Committee reviewed a request from TLC Child Care Center requesting permission to hold a Family Fun Night Carnival on Friday, June 30, 2006 from 5:30 PM until 8:00 PM and to close the section of Chestnut Street between 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Street. The Committee agreed to put the matter on the May 15 Council agenda.

### Piper Group-Valley View Manor

Attorney Herb Sudfeld was present to represent Piper Group. Mr. Sudfeld presented a revision to the stipulation agreement with Piper Group to settle the zoning appeal. Solicitor Ann Weiss stated she needed to review the conditional use application file for additional information.

Council stated they would take the matter under advisement.

#### Request from Penridge Community Day "Livin It"

The Committee reviewed a request from the First Baptist Church to sponsor a skatepark demonstration at the skatepark during Penridge Community Day. The Committee agreed to put the matter on the May 15 Council meeting agenda.

#### Menlo Park Pool Concept Plan

Committee members reviewed a preliminary concept plan for the Menlo Park Pool project. Several changes were proposed including making the lap pool eight lanes, removing the rock climbing wall and rope swing. Also asked was where would swim lessons take place, what is the cost to replace the existing pool with a similar design and can the lazy river be extended. Rich Hendricks asked Councilmembers to slow down and allow for more time to get a consensus of what the community wants. The Committee agreed to forward their recommendations to the architect and placed the matter on the May 15 Council meeting agenda.

#### Second Street Pool

The Committee discussed whether to open the Second Street pool for the summer since the Menlo Park Pool would be closed for the season. It was the consensus of the Committee that Second Street pool should be opened with additional hours. It was agreed to place the matter on the May 15 Council meeting agenda.

#### Brick Pavers

Committee members agreed to replace the brick pavers in the town center area with stamped concrete that would look like the bricks it was replacing. A small area by Shelly's Hardware Store will be used as a test site. It was further agreed to use the proceeds of the recent sale of surplus equipment at auction to cover the cost of the installation and materials to the contractor completing the work and/or a line item in the budget for contribution from Perkasio Olde Towne for work to be done by Borough forces.

### **PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING**

#### Code Enforcement Officer Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly report for April 2006.

#### Establish Fee for Zoning Amendment Change

The Committee discussed establishing a fee for zoning changes brought before Council. Manager Olpere suggested a flat fee or a combination fee of \$500 plus professional fees. The Committee agreed to put the matter on the May 15 Council meeting agenda.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

#### Other Business

A question was asked as to how the fee for the financial advisor for the takeover of the Perkasio Borough Authority was going to be addressed since it was not a budgeted item. The Manager stated the fee would come out of reserves initially and then the bond if the takeover occurs.

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

### Approve Perkasio Industrial Development Financing

The Committee reviewed a request from the Perkasio Industrial Development Authority for financing of a project in Solebury Township. It was the Committee's consensus to put the matter on the May 15 Council agenda for approval.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**

#### Other Business

There was no business to come before this committee.

### **CABLE/BROADBAND COMMITTEE**

#### Other Business

There was no business to come before this committee.

### **HEALTH CARE AD HOC COMMITTEE**

#### Other Business

The Manager updated Councilmembers on the outcome of the first meeting of the Health Care Committee April 11.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Boyer reported that a resident of Hilltown is willing to donate land on the top of Rock Hill in East Rockhill Township for the site of a windmill(s) in exchange for providing him a clear right-of-way to the other parcel that he owns.

Mr. Boyer also reported that a grant was available from the Department of Environment Protection-Pennsylvania Energy Development Authority for a trial wind turbine energy system. It was the consensus of Council to have the Borough Manager prepare the paperwork to apply for the grant.

### **PRESS FORUM**

Questions from the press were received and answered.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.

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Daniel P. Olpere  
Borough Manager/Secretary