

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
PERKASIE BOROUGH COUNCIL
AUGUST 21, 2006

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:	Eadie Burke James Boyer Ray Conville Bill Delaney (absent) Joan Handy Richard Hendricks William Hettel Harry McGonigal C. Lee Metzger, Jr. (absent)
Youth Councilor:	Harrison McGonigal
Mayor:	J. Robert Hunsicker
Borough Manager:	Daniel P. Olpere
Assistant Borough Manager:	Maureen Doyle
Borough Engineer:	Mark Eisold, P.E.
Borough Solicitor:	Ann Thornburg Weiss
Press Representatives:	News Herald Daily Intelligencer Morning Call

Perkasie Borough Council President Eadie Burke convened the meeting at 7:05 P.M. Mr. Hendricks gave an invocation followed by a Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Burke commended the Borough employees for a job well done on the demolition of the Menlo pool.

PUBLIC FORUM

Brian Benson of 603 W. Blooming Glen Drive was present regarding the proposed parking restrictions near the High School.

Luther Chontofalsky of 270 Parkridge Drive commended the Public Works Department in their efforts to demolish the Menlo Pool facility.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Hettel, seconded by McGonigal, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of July 17, 2006.

Upon motion by Hettel, seconded by McGonigal, Council unanimously approved the Special Finance Committee meeting minutes of July 31, 2006.

Upon motion by Boyer, seconded by Hettel, Council unanimously approved the Special Council meeting minutes of August 7, 2006.

Upon motion by McGonigal, seconded by Handy, Council unanimously approved the Council Committee meeting minutes of August 7, 2006.

Upon motion Hettel, seconded by Handy, Council unanimously approved the Special Finance Committee meeting minutes of August 14, 2006.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

The Mayor reported that the Perkasio Olde Towne Under the Stars Car Show was a resounding success this past Saturday.

Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Hettel, seconded by Boyer, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for July 2006.

Budget Status

Upon motion by Hettel, seconded by McGonigal, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for July 2006.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Mark Eisold, P.E., from Boucher & James Engineers reviewed his report which included: First Savings Bank/Silk Works & Otto Sites, 2006 roadway maintenance project, Sixth Street reconstruction, and Menlo park pool design

Planning Commission Report

The Manager reported that at the July meeting, the Perkasio Planning Commission recommended approval of the Zavitsanos and S.F. Day Realty subdivision, agreed to table discussion on the Act 537 Plan and discussed two traffic control ordinances.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Hettel request that the Planning Commission minutes reflect a reason when a Commissioner abstains from voting. The Borough Manager stated he would revise the minutes.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Preliminary Approval Zavitsanos Subdivision

Upon a motion by Hendricks, seconded by Conville, Council considered Resolution #2006-55 granting a waiver from the subdivision land development ordinance requiring that the plan show existing features within 400 feet. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the resolution with the exception of Hettel who voted against it. The motion passed by a 6-1 vote.

Upon a motion by Hendricks, seconded by Conville, Council considered Resolution #2006-56 granting a waiver from the subdivision and land development ordinance requiring a lot depth to width ratio of 2 ½ to 1. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the resolution with the exception of Hettel who voted against it. The motion passed by a 6-1 vote.

Upon motion by Hendricks, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2006-57 granting a waiver from the subdivision land development ordinance regarding easements. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the resolution and the motion was passed.

Upon a motion by Hendricks, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2006-58 granting waivers from the subdivision land development ordinance requiring road width, curbing and siding. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the resolution and the motion was passed.

Upon a motion by Hendricks, seconded by Conville, Council considered and amended Resolution #2006-59 granting preliminary approval of the Zavitsanos subdivision with conditions as outlined in the resolution. Mr. Hettel made a motion to table the resolution. There was no second and the motion failed. Upon roll call vote of the original motion, Councilmembers McGonigal, Boyer, Hendricks, and Conville voted to grant preliminary approval. Councilmembers Hettel, Handy and Burke voted to deny it. The motion passed by a 4-3 vote and the resolution was approved.

Piper Group Reinstatement

Upon motion by Boyer, seconded by Hendricks, Council unanimously agreed to reinstate the Piper Group plan with an extension until October 15, 2006 and subject to withdrawal of the appeal filed by the Piper Group

537 Plan-Revision for Telford Borough

Upon a motion by Hettel, seconded by McGonigal, Council considered revising the Borough's 537 Plan, by resolution, to accommodate acquisition of addition EDU's by Telford Borough that were originally destined for Perkasio Borough. Ray Conville made a motion to table the matter stating that the Perkasio Borough Authority and the PA DEP were in on-going discussions on this topic. There was no second to the motion and it failed.

All Councilmembers voted in favor of the motion with the exception of Hendricks and Conville who voted against it. Resolution #2006-60 was passed by a 5-2 vote.

Authorization to Adopt Ordinance #910-to Amend Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance-Traffic Control

Upon motion by Handy, seconded by McGonigal, Council unanimously approved Ordinance #910 requiring traffic control signs to be in place as part of a land development or subdivision.

Authorization to Adopt Ordinance #911 to Amend Zoning Ordinance-Certificate of Occupancy New Use or Construction

Upon motion by Hendricks, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously approved Ordinance #911 requiring that certain traffic control devices be in place before a certificate of occupancy is issued for a development.

Ordinance #912, Amending Parking Regulations Near High School

Upon motion by Hendricks, seconded by Boyer, Council considered an ordinance to amend the parking regulations to restrict parking during the hours of 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM near the Pennridge High School. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the ordinance with the exception of Burke and Handy. The motion passed by a 5-2 vote.

After further discussion, Council agreed to advertise a new ordinance with longer restricted hours on West Blooming Glen Drive and parking by permit only for residents.

Authorization to Approve Bike Path Spur Easement Agreement

Upon motion by Hendricks, second by Boyer, Council unanimously approved an easement through the Mervine property (Lenape Tooling) to accommodate a bike path

extension into the Moulton Development.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Resolution #2006-51, Implementing the National Incident Management System

Upon a motion by Handy, seconded by Hendricks, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2006-51 implementing the National Incident Management Systems (NIMS) for emergency preparedness planning and receipt of any federal funds involving disaster.

Resolution #2006-54, Authorize Application for Reimbursement

Upon motion by Hendricks, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2006-54 authorizing the Borough Manager to file PEMA application for reimbursement for flood damage.

Request for Tuition Reimbursement-Sgt. Hillias

Upon motion by Boyer, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously approved a request by Sgt. Hillias for tuition reimbursement to obtain a Master of Arts in Criminal Justice from DeSales University.

Authorization to Approve Resolution #2006-52, Authorizing Fire Police Assistance

Upon a motion by Hettel, seconded by Boyer, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2006-52 authorizing the Perkasio Fire Police to assist with special events and times of emergency.

Authorization to Approve Resolution #2006-53, Appointing Fire Police

Upon a motion by Hettel, seconded by McGonigal, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2006-53 designating special fire police officers.

Personnel List

Upon a motion by McGonigal, seconded by Handy, Council unanimously approved the personnel list as follows:

Anthony Arnaudo/Skate Park	terminated effective 6/28/06
Robert Bolsover/Skate Park	hired effective 7/15/06
Vincent Schaar/Skate Park	terminated effective 7/28/06
Kevin Hanko/Skate Park	hired effective 8/3/06
Matthew Okerson/Public Works summer help	terminated effective 4/21/06
Matthew Leszczynski/Public Works summer help	hired effective 7/19/06
Lauren Maurone/Pool	hired effective 6/24/06
Michael Leven/Skate Park	hired effective 8/7/06

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Approve Contribution to Pennridge Senior Center

Upon a motion by Handy, seconded by Hettel, Council unanimously approved a contribution to the Pennridge Senior Center in the amount of \$500.00.

Ordinance #913, General Obligation Note, Series of 2006

Upon a motion by Hettel, seconded by McGonigal, Council considered Ordinance #913 approving a general obligation note in the amount of \$2.6 million financed through the Delaware Valley Regional Financing Authority to incur debt in the construction of the new Menlo

Park pool. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the ordinance with the exception of Hendricks and Conville who voted against it. The motion passed by a 5-2 vote.

Authorization to Pay Bills

Upon a motion by Hettel, seconded by McGonigal, Council unanimously accepted payment of the bills as presented.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

There was no business to come before Economic Development.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

The Committee had no business to conduct at this time.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE ITEMS

There was no business to come before Economic Development

CABLE/BROADBAND COMMITTEE ITEMS

The Committee had no business to conduct at this time.

HEALTH CARE AD HOC COMMITTEE ITEMS

There was no business to come before this Committee.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

PRESS FORUM

Questions from the press were received and answered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. Burke announced that Council was going into executive session to discuss personnel and may reopen the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:26 PM.

MEETING REOPENS

The meeting reopened at 10:17 PM and there was no further action taken.

MEETING ADJOURNS

The meeting adjourned at 10:17PM.

Daniel P. Olpere
Borough Manager/Secretary