

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
PERKASIE BOROUGH COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 19, 2007

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Eadie Burke
James Boyer
Nickole Collins
Ray Conville
Bill Delaney
Joan Handy
Richard Hendricks
Harry McGonigal
Randy Walck
Harrison McGonigal
J. Robert Hunsicker
Dr. Robert Romancheck
Ann Thornburg Weiss
News Herald
Morning Call
Bucks County Herald

Youth Councilor:

Mayor:

Interim Borough Manager:

Borough Solicitor:

Press Representatives:

Perkasie Borough Council President Eadie Burke convened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. Mr. Hendricks gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

Luther Chontofalsky of 270 Parkridge Drive was present with concerns about the Borough's trash system and the recent snow storm.

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

Mayor Hunsicker presented a certificate of appreciation to former Councilman William Hettel for 16 years of dedicated service to the Borough.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Burke thanked the Public Works crews for the snow removal in Town Center left from the previous week's snow storm.

INTERVIEWS OF BOROUGH COUNCIL CANDIDATES

Questions were asked and answered of three candidates that applied for the vacant position on Borough Council formerly held by Lee Metzger. The applicants included Nickole Collins, Matt Aigeldinger, and John Moser.

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO BOROUGH COUNCIL VACANCY

The floor was opened for nominations for the Borough Council vacancy.

Joan Handy nominated Nickole Collins, which was seconded by Harry McGonigal. Rich Hendricks nominated John Moser, which was seconded by Ray Conville. Ray Conville nominated Matt Aigeldinger, which was seconded by Rich Hendricks.

By a roll call vote, Councilmembers Walck, Delaney, Handy, McGonigal, Boyer and Burke voted for

Nickole Collins to fill the vacancy. Councilmembers Conville and Hendricks opposed.

By a roll call vote, Councilmembers Conville and Hendricks voted in favor of appointing Matt Aigeldinger to fill the vacancy. Councilmembers Walck, Delaney, Handy, McGonigal, Boyer, and Burke opposed.

By a roll call vote, Councilmembers Conville and Hendricks voted in favor of appointing John Moser to fill the vacancy. Councilmembers Walck, Delaney, Handy, McGonigal, Boyer, and Burke opposed.

Nickole Collins by a 6-2 vote was appointed to fill the Council vacancy through 2007. Ms. Collins took her seat at the dais.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Walck, seconded by Delaney, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of January 15, 2007.

Upon motion by McGonigal, seconded by Boyer, Council unanimously approved the Public Hearing/Special Council meeting minutes of February 5, 2007.

Upon motion by Boyer, seconded by McGonigal, Council unanimously approved the Council Committee minutes of February 5, 2007.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

The Mayor read a letter from a Kait Wright who is home schooled. In Kait's letter it states that she and her brother Zack took on a project of cleaning up the ravine on Ridge Road near her home. She stated they would be doing this clean-up on a periodic basis to help keep the community clean. Mayor Hunsicker further noted that in appreciation for a job well done, he forwarded her and her brother a certificate of appreciation for providing community service to the Borough of Perkasio.

Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Hendricks, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for January 2007.

Budget Status

Upon motion by Walck, seconded by McGongial, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for January 2007.

Engineer's Report

The engineer's report was accepted by consensus.

Planning Commission Report

Richard Hendricks, also Chairman of the Perkasio Planning Commission, stated at the last meeting the Commissioners reviewed the Perkasio Dairy Queen conditional use application.

NEW BUSINESS

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Personnel List

Upon a motion by McGonigal, seconded by Boyer, Council unanimously accepted the personnel list as follows:

Brian Wooler/Public Works	terminated effective 2/13/07
Michael Leven/Skate Park	terminated effective 2/2/07

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Establish Hours for Skate Park Schedule Winter Months

Upon motion by Delaney, seconded by Boyer, Council unanimously agreed to change the hours of the skate park from 7 days a week to open from 12:00 PM to sundown on the weekends and holidays only.

Award Concrete Bid #2007-1

Upon motion by McGonigal, seconded by Handy, Council considered awarding the concrete bid to Kramer Brothers for sidewalks, curbing, aprons, monolithic, monolithic driveway aprons, and around poles. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the motion with the exception of Hendricks who voted against it. Council also considered awarding the concrete bid for handicap ramps and brick pavers to McCarthy Masonry. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the motion with the exception of Hendricks who voted against it.

Pennridge Community Day

Upon motion by Boyer, seconded by Hendricks, Council unanimously approved a request by Pennridge Community Day to use Lenape Park on July 8, 2007 with a raindate of July 15, 2007 for the annual community day events.

Approve Equipment Purchase-HVAC System Borough Office

Upon motion by McGonigal, seconded by Hendricks, Council unanimously agreed to obtain bids for the necessary equipment, labor and installation to regulate the heating and air conditioning in the Borough Hall meeting room and office areas more efficiently.

Resolution #2007-2, Authorize Fire Police Assistance

Upon motion by Conville, seconded by Boyer, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2007-2 authorizing Perkasio fire police to assist in certain events.

Resolution #2007-3, Appoint Fire Police

Upon motion by Boyer, seconded by Hendricks, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2007-3 appointing special fire police for traffic and crowd control for any events the Perkasio Fire Company in attendance.

Resolution #2007-4, Grant Final Approval to MJE Builders Subdivision

Upon motion by Conville, seconded by Handy, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2007-4 granting final approval to the MJE Builders Subdivision at 317 East Walnut Street.

Resolution #2007-5, Revised Fee Schedule, Menlo Pool Membership and Skate Park Fees

Upon motion by McGonigal, seconded by Boyer, Council considered revising the fee resolution to include change in pool membership fees and daily skatepark fees. All Councilmembers present voted in favor of approving Resolution #2007-5 with the exception of Joan Handy who voted against it. The motion passed by an 8-1 vote.

Resolution #2007-6, Remove Handicapped Parking Space

Upon motion by Hendricks, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2007-6, removal of a handicapped parking space at 311 North 6th Street that is no longer required.

Request from Penridge Gator Swim Team

Upon motion by McGonigal, seconded by Delaney, Council unanimously approved the Penridge Gator Swim Team to use Menlo Pool for practice, swim meets, and a donation of \$8,000.00.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Authorization to Pay Bills

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

Ordinance #917, Amend Emergency Municipal Service Tax Ordinance

Upon motion by Handy, seconded by McGonigal, Council unanimously approved an amendment to the Emergency Municipal Service Tax ordinance revising exempt persons earning less than \$12,000 per year on earned income not all income.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Committee had no business to conduct at this time.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

The Committee had no business to conduct at this time.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

The Committee had no business to conduct at this time.

CABLE/BROADBAND COMMITTEE

The Committee had no business to conduct at this time.

HEALTH CARE AD HOC COMMITTEE

The Committee had no business to conduct at this time.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

There was no other new business to discuss.

PRESS FORUM

Questions from the press were received and answered.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Dr. Robert Romancheck
Interim Borough Manager/Secretary